

**Colleyville Girls Softball Association (CGSA)**  
**Coach Code of Ethics and Conduct**

**Commitment to the Players:**

- Coaches will put the safety and welfare of their athletes above all else.
- Coaches will ensure that the activity being undertaken is suitable for the age, experience, ability, and fitness level of the athletes with whom they work.
- Coaches will know and abide by the rules of the game and teach them to their athletes.
- All practices and games shall be conducted within the letter and intent of the rules of USA Softball and the CGSA.
- Coaches will encourage the athlete to exhibit good sportsmanship at all times.
- **Coaches will help maintain a climate of enjoyment among spectators by discouraging negative remarks, harassment of players, umpires, and other teams or spectators.**
- Coaches will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation, age, national or ethnic origin, or qualified handicapped or disabled persons.
- Coaches will follow the organization and national governing body rules and state and local laws regarding drug, alcohol and tobacco, vape use.
- Coaches will support talented and non-talented players with equal vigor.
- Coaches will direct comments or criticisms at the performance rather than the athlete.

**Commitment to the Umpires:**

- All game umpires shall be always treated in a professional and respectable manner.
- Any displeasure with an umpire's actions or conduct shall be addressed through the proper channels (CGSA Board) and not through public opinion or demonstration.
- All coaches shall strive to develop positive working relations with the umpires

**Commitment to other Coaches:**

- A coach has an obligation to be honest and forthright with other coaches in the program.
- Coaches shall treat their colleagues with dignity and respect.
- Coaches shall not use profanity.
- Coaches shall refrain from publicly making derogatory remarks about others.

**Commitment to CGSA:**

- Coaches shall behave in a way that they shall bring credit to the program and to themselves.
- Coaches shall exhibit professionalism in their actions, words, and attire.
- Coaches shall act in full accordance with the program, national governing body, and sanctioning body rules.

Coaches shall report any violations of law, any violation of program rules or the appearance of coach misconduct to the CGSA Board of Directors.

**Head Coach Responsibilities**

- Have a positive attitude and enjoy working with kids
- Display and encourage sportsmanship
- Work on the fundamental skills of throwing, fielding, batting and base running
- Communicate with team parents and players
- Run one 75 minute practice per week
- Before opening day, you may hold a second 75 minute practice on Saturday or Sunday
- Manage each game and make a lineup
- You will be provided with a rolling equipment bag with catchers' gear, lineup cards, scorebook, a bucket of practice balls and game balls

**Assistant Coach Responsibilities**

- Help the head coach with drills and instruction during practice
- Provide encouragement to players and support to the team
- Display and encourage sportsmanship
- Help the head coach manage the games and lineup