

# SUMMER CREEK SOFTBALL



## PLAYER / PARENT AGREEMENT

I \_\_\_\_\_ understand that I am a student-athlete at Summer Creek High School. As a student, I will do my very best to be prepared for each class and complete all assignments on time. If I am absent, I am aware that it is my responsibility to get the make-up work and complete the assignment(s) in the time that has been allotted. I will perform at the highest level possible on a daily basis and meet the expectations that have been set by my teacher, coaches, teammates, family and most importantly my-self. As an athlete, I understand that participating in an extracurricular activity is a privilege that can be revoked at any time. I will follow any and all rules and policies that have been implemented on the campus of Summer Creek High School, as well as the classroom rules which include being punctual to class, having all necessary materials, and showing respect for all my teachers, classmates, and the administration and faculty of Summer Creek High School.

It is our belief that the success of an organization is rooted in team achievement, not individual exploits. No player will ever stage an individual celebration after hitting a home run, striking out an opposing player, or winning a game. We will enjoy the moment as a team, but will never “show up” an opponent. All players will respect the game of softball, “Win With Class and Lose With Dignity.”

### PLAYER AGREEMENT

**Control Emotions:** Abusive language, throwing bats and/or helmets in anger, showing disrespect for coaches, teammates, umpires or opponents will not be tolerated. Players will always be courteous towards spectators, umpires, coaches and their parents when representing the Bulldogs Softball Team/Program. The coaching staff will handle all disputing decisions or calls made by the umpires.

**Be On Time:** Players should arrive to practices and games on time and ready to play. Arrival time for games will be announced to players the day prior to each game. Being late to practices and/or games will not be tolerated and continued occurrences may be subjected to disciplinary action on a case by case basis.

**Dress Code:** Players are expected to be neatly dressed in a clean uniform prior to arriving at a game and should arrive to practice dressed in the proper practice attire and ready to play. Shirts should always be tucked in and visors worn properly.

**Behavior:** When at a game/tournament or traveling with the team, you are not only representing yourself, but you are representing the team and Summer Creek High School. Players will be expected to behave in a mature and professional manner helping us build a positive reputation in the community.

**Players Equipment:** Players should keep up with their own equipment and will be expected to always carry their own gear both before and after all practices and games.

**Hustle Between The Lines:** Players should always run on and off the playing field and to/from their positions. If at any time a player does not hustle, she will be subject to removal from the game.

## PARENT AGREEMENT

It is our belief that players need to learn to deal directly with adults in charge in order to get what they want and need to take personal responsibility for their actions. We have a specific coaching philosophy and understand that it may not match yours.

**Control Emotions:** Abusive language, violence, showing disrespect for coaches, players, opponents, or umpires will not be tolerated and any occurrence will be subject to expulsion from the softball field/complex. The coaching staff will handle disputing decisions or calls by the umpires.

**The Dugout and Coaching:** Parents are expected to refrain from entering the dugout or addressing players and/or coaches during the game. Coaching from the stands and/or outside the fence or dugout will not be tolerated.

**Communication:** Each coach has a different teaching style. Coaches may not always make the same decisions that, in hindsight, you would have made, but they are **always** the coach and deserve respect. If you have a challenge, communicate in a professional manner and avoid emotional responses. Player issues/concerns should be handled by the player and directed to their coach. If a parent needs to meet with a coach, this must be scheduled and will be held in private, away from the players and the field.

**Playing Time:** The coaching staff will be responsible for making all roster and lineup decisions. These decisions are not up for debate and will not be discussed prior to or after a game. Playing time is **not guaranteed** and may vary from game-to-game or tournament-to-tournament. No preferential treatment will be given to any one player.

I fully understand the “Parent/Player Agreement” and agree to adhere by it. If failure to do so, I am aware that the player may be suspended or dismissed from the Summer Creek softball program.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_