



St. Francis Xavier Youth Sports Guidelines



**All of our games are played for Recreation. Our motto is: You Gotta Have FUN!
All emphasis is toward learning teamwork, playing to the best of your ability,
and developing & demonstrating the principles of good sportsmanship.**

1. Players must show up ½ hour before game time for warm-up & quick practice before game.
2. **PLAYERS MUST BE IN FULL UNIFORM IN ORDER TO PLAY:**
(Uniform consist of CAP & JERSEY {and SOX for some teams} provided by SFX BASEBALL)

SFX Baseball Players MUST wear GRAY PANTS. GIRLS Softball & Freshmen wear WHITE PANTS.

3. **NO OTHER TOYS OR GAMES ARE ALLOWED IN THE DUGOUT**
4. All players must wear sneakers or rubber cleats; **NO SPIKES ARE PERMITTED!!**
(except in FRESHMEN Division)
5. All players must have **THEIR OWN GLOVE.**
(ALSO, BOYS MUST WEAR A Supporter & Protective Cup)
6. All players should have their name written on their belongings (HATS, GLOVES, etc.)
7. Coach or Assistant is responsible to bring required equipment on game day.
8. **PRACTICES WILL BE HELD AT TEAM COACH'S (or designee) AVAILABILITY**
9. **OPENING DAY PARADE IS ON SAT. APRIL 9th @ 9:15am.**

**PLAYERS MUST BE IN FULL UNIFORM
PLEASE BE AT THE CORNER OF 2nd Street & 7TH Ave.
IN ORDER TO LINE UP FOR THE PARADE**

10. **TEAM PHOTO DAY IS: Sat. May 7th OR Sun. May 8th in Prospect Park (By FIELD # 7)**
{CHECK WITH YOUR COACH TO SEE WHICH DAY YOUR TEAM WILL TAKE PHOTOS}
11. **PPBA RAINOUT HOTLINE: 888- 473- 6864**
(Call if it's raining or has rained **even TWO days before** your scheduled game)
12. **FULL SCHEDULE IS & RULES ARE FOUND ONLINE: www.PPBA.info**
13. **The PPBA website will have schedule for you to download:**
 - Approx. 10 – 12 games scheduled in PeeWee & Pony
 - Approx. 12 – 14 games scheduled in Cub / Bantam / Girls Softball (Mustang & Bronco)
 - Approx. 14 – 16 games scheduled in Super Bantam / Girls Softball (Colt)
 - Approx. 16 – 18 games scheduled in Grasshopper
 - Approx. 18 – 20 games scheduled in Freshmen
14. **SFX President: Javier Rosario 888-739- 1047 email: Jayro17@aol.com**
15. **Our Website : www.SFXyouthsports.com**

NYC Code § 10-138 is STRICTLY ENFORCED by SFX Youth Sports, and any offensive behavior during games or practice by any official, coach, parent, player, spectator or other participant that violates this law may result in that individual being **immediately banned from the ball field. **Additional sanctions may be imposed including a permanent ban of said individual, INCLUDING THE PLAYER, from all activities sponsored by SFX Youth Sports.****

SFX Baseball Parent/Coach Code of Conduct

I PLEGE THAT:

- *I will teach all children to play fair & do there best*
- *I will positively support all managers, coaches and players*
- *I will respect the decisions of the umpires*
- *I will praise a good effort despite the outcome of the game*

I therefore agree:

1. *I will not force my child to participate in sports.*
2. *I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the came is for youth, not adults.*
3. *I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.*
4. *I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.*
5. *I (and my guest) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or sporting event.*
6. *I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing, taunting, refusing to shake hands or using profane language or gestures.*
7. *I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.*
8. *I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.*
9. *I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.*
10. *I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.*
11. *I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.*
12. *I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.*
13. *I will emphasize skill development & practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.*
14. *I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of ant personal desire I may have for my child to win.*
15. *I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.*
16. *I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol; and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.*
17. *I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.*