

White County Park and Recreation Zero Tolerance Policy

Implemented on 04\17\1997, with the purpose of upholding a healthy and enjoyable environment for the entire community of White County, and the participants in programs of the White County Recreation Department.

- A. Players, managers, spectators or coaches ejected from a game will not be allowed to attend\play the next game. If a manager\coach is ejected, he\she will be on probation for one (1) entire year, not season.
- B. Players, spectators guilty of fighting on the stands, field, or court before, during, or after games shall receive a three (3) game suspension. The suspension will include current game, is in progress, and two (2) additional games. If the fighting occurs after a game, the suspension will be for the next three (3) games.
- C. Players, managers, coaches, spectators, or commissioners guilty of profanity, either by word or by sign, against other players, coaches, spectators, referees, commissioners, or county official or any other people just before, during, or immediately after a game shall be suspended for the current game plus the next game.
- D. Players, managers, coaches spectators, or commissioners, guilty of making threatening gestures (**verbal or by sign**) against other players, coaches, spectators, referees, commissioners, county officials, or any other people shall receive a two (2) game suspension.
- E. Players, managers, coaches, spectators or commissioners guilty of pushing, striking, or other physical contact against any other players, coaches, spectators, referees, commissioners, county officials, or any other people shall receive a minimum of one (1) year suspension to a maximum of lifetime suspension.
- F. Violations of A, B, C, D, or E, will result immediately in leaving the premises entirely without any visual or verbal contact with their team for the entire suspension. Violators will be on probation for one (1) year from the date of the incident, any subsequent violation will result in a suspension from participation in the Recreation Department for five (5) years after with the time the violator may request a hearing for reinstatement.
- G. For all GRPA competitions, positive cheering by players, coaches, and spectators is encouraged. Any negative cheering\hollering may result in a warning and\or removal from the site, whether it is for or against your team. No artificial noisemakers shall be allowed in the dugouts, bleachers, seats and standing areas around the perimeter of the playing field or court in all youth sports.
- H. If a coach or a spectator runs onto a field\court during a contest incites his\her fans\parents to become disorderly during a contest, **or makes any action that is not within the sportsmanship of the game** will be subject to a one (1) game suspension and a one (1) year probation.

All disciplinary actions which are to be appealed need to be made in writing to the Recreation Department, within twenty four (24) hours of the ruling.

All appeals will be reviewed by the White County Park and recreation Director, to determine if it should be brought before the Recreation Advisory Board.