

STANDARDS FOR WLL MANAGERS AND COACHES

A. PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES: The manager's personality is an important factor in the success of Little League Baseball.

1. Leadership

Exercises their leadership role adequately but leaves the ball game in the hands of the players

Accepts responsibility, and is well organized

Has a good understanding of the emotional and psychological characteristics of pre-adolescents

Has a good rapport with each player and tries to understand the personal needs and problems of players and adjusts accordingly

Disciplines fairly, impartially, suited to the age level of the players, and is done by using good judgement and humor

Actively participates in League functions including fund raising

2. Disposition

Is pleasant, courteous, even tempered, sympathetic, enthusiastic, and has a sense of humor

3. Poise

Behaves in an adult manner, maintains self-control, and is aware that they are an example to those with whom they work

4. Character

Is sincere, truthful, and demonstrates an appreciation of the philosophy of Little League Baseball by cooperating with others in making the program a mutual benefit to all youngsters

5. Appearance

Always practices good health habits, dresses suitably and is properly groomed

B. RELATIONS WITH OTHERS: The nature of a manager's work brings him into closer contact with many people.

1. With Parents

Seeks their cooperation and understanding in trying to achieve the goals of the Little League program

Displays friendliness, courtesy, and shows consideration for their opinions and feelings

2. With Colleagues

Is friendly, cooperative, courteous, and considerate

3. With Game Officials

Shows by example, respect for the judgment and the position of the umpire; avoids bickering and "umpire baiting"

Is cautious and uses sound judgment in a protest situation; avoids protests where possible

C. MANAGERIAL DUTIES: The manager should have a knowledge of the game of baseball, of its fundamentals and its strategy.

1. Coaching Procedures

Organizes practice sessions, teach fundamental skills and game strategy at the players level using various drills

Schedules practice sessions that are well spaced so they do not become a chore for players and managers alike

Takes adequate precautions to prevent accident or injury including maintenance of protective gear

Ensures that players are kept from reaching extreme limits of physical and emotional fatigue

Has knowledge of safety and first aid

Continually encourages players at every opportunity

Instills the desire to win, to improve, and to understand team concepts, yet at the same time to have fun

Knows the playing Rules of and Regulations of Little League, is able to interpret them correctly, plays by the rules and adheres to their intent, and instills in their players to respect the rules of the game

Observes all WSLI Local Rules, with particular attention to player participation

Submit end-of-year player evaluations in the time period requested by the Player Agent. Failure to do so will be a consideration the following year by the manager selection committee.

2. Development of Desirable Habits in Players

Encourages promptness, clean living and good health habits, and responsibility and leadership

Encourages sportsmanship and fair play at all times by teaching good behavior; congratulating opponents after each game; accepting defeat gracefully; and accepting victory humbly

Instills in their players a respect for the authority of adult leaders in the league

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