

# Buddy Baseball

## Parent Guidelines

1. Safety first, fun second, friendships third, skills fourth, competition fifth!
2. You won't want to miss a minute of the action! You must stay for the duration of the game
3. Buddies, players and coaches will do their best to support and manage any issues that may come up during practices and games.
4. Be a fan, enjoy the game from the bleachers. Do not approach your child, his or her buddy, or the coach during game time (either in the dugout or on the field.)
5. Approach the Coordinator of the program (Russ Oberbroeckling) or a Volunteer (light blue shirts) if you have any concerns or suggestions of support for your child during the game.
6. Provide your child with a water bottle for practices and games.
7. Team Manager? Mom, Dad, Grampa, Gramma, Aunt, Uncle ... Will you be the adult liaison for your coach and the team to handle communications; rain outs, ice cream nights, etc.?
8. Volunteer with your coach for practice. Pitch, catch, or umpire ONE game.
9. Volunteer to record stats on the Game Sheet for your team.
10. Consider building unity on your child's team by coordinating one "ice cream after the game" night. (Call ahead to an ice cream store to let them know a group will be coming. Nearby places would include: McDonalds, Dairy Queen, Wendy's. Everyone pays their own way.
11. Be responsible for knowing if we've been rained out: Check with your coach.
12. Assist your child in calling the coach and his/her buddy by 10:00 a.m. if he or she will be absent from the game.
13. Consider co-planning an end-of- season celebration: picnic, pizza party, bowling, etc.
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15. **HAVE FUN, CHEER, TAKE PICTURES**

# Play Ball!

