

Carlisle Baseball Philosophy

The philosophy of the Carlisle High School Baseball program is to provide a positive learning environment where athletes can succeed to the best of their ability while supporting our TEAM goals. Everyone in our program will be pushed to do their best while being treated with respect. The main component of our program is Together Everyone Achieves More, baseball is a team sport.

Practice and Game Attendance Expectations

- 1. Players missing school/practice the day before a game for an unexcused absence will not be permitted to start the game unless prior approval is given by your head coach.
- 2. If you have not arrived at school by 10:30, you may not practice or play in the game that day, but you are expected to be at practice and/or game to support your team (unless home sick). Only exception, would be with approval from the building principal which needs to be provided to your head coach.
- 3. Players are to travel to and from games with the team. Players may NOT drive themselves, nor may they leave with their parents. If for ANY reason you miss the team bus you will sit the next game, you are expected to be in uniform and support your team on the bench but will NOT play in that game.

Player Expectations

- Academics: You must be passing (5) credits to be eligible to participate on varsity and/or junior varsity baseball at Carlisle High School. Coach Kelley has access to your PowerSchool to check grades. If you need help with classes, it is your responsibility to communicate this with your head coach before a problem arises.
- 2. Be on time for all games and practices. We practice Monday Saturday that there isn't a game. Practice begins at the scheduled time. This means if you are scheduled for a 3:15 practice you are on the field/in the gym practicing at 3:15 not putting on cleats/dressing/organizing your bags/etc. at 3:15.
- 3. Be responsible for your uniforms. It needs to be clean, and all parts need to be worn (properly) for every game and practice. Game day Home/Away uniforms TBD. Practice attire inside and out is to be shirt/jersey, baseball pants, hats unless informed differently by your coach.
- 4. Be prepared to practice indoors and/or outdoors everyday (even game days). If games are postponed, we will still practice.
- 5. Use social media appropriately, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Only post positive things about your teammates, coaches, school, opponents, and officials.
 - b. Do not make comments about our opponents. Nothing good can come from this.
 - c. Take responsibility for your online profile, including your own posts, photos, videos, and things posted on your profile by others. It **WILL** get back to your coaches, school administrators, community, prospective colleges, and your family.
 - d. Be aware you are representing Carlisle Baseball, Carlisle High School, your family, and your community at all times and should do so in a positive manner.
- 6. Do not use any illegal substances.

- 7. Focus on what you can control every day practice and games.
 - a. Academics
 - b. Attitude
 - c. Effort
 - d. Character

Communication with Parents and Players

- 1. By now, all players, should be on StackTeams and be able to access it. The practice for the preseason were used on it.
- 2. In the event there is a cancellation of a game and/or practice, or any kind of schedule change it will be through our StackTeams App. Games will also, be listed on MaxPrep and Game Changer.
- 3. If parents deem it necessary to speak with their son's head coach over a concern, there are some guidelines:
 - Your son must have attempted to solve the concern with their head coach prior to your request.
 - b. (2) Coaches and your son will be present at this meeting.
 - c. We will not speak about playtime and/or game strategies. Nor will there be any discussion about other players unless there is a direct issue between your son and the other player.
 - d. To be fair to everyone involved, any email will be shared with the entire coaching staff and the Athletic Director.
 - e. If something during a game has upset you, please wait 24 hours so cooler heads can prevail and be receptive/productive.

Dugout/Facility Rules

- 1. Only Carlisle players, coaches, and staff are allowed in the dugout. Parents are encouraged to support their children and our team. However, during practice and games, they should refrain from approaching the dugout and/or our facilities to speak with your son and/or a coach. Players are not to leave the dugout/facility during a game and/or practice to see parents. Players should have everything that they need with them in the dugout prior to the start of our game.
- 2. Players are not to use their cell phones at any time during a practice or game.
- 3. No food will be in our dug out at any time.
- 4. We all like to have fun and to catch up with our teammates, but when our practice/game starts, we are in baseball mode. Everyone has a job to do, even as simple as picking up on a tendency of a pitcher, etc.

We are all to understand and model the values of our team. Be aggressive, enthusiastic, confident, disciplined, hustle, and compete fearlessly. Have faith in your teammates and coaches and always put the team ahead of yourself. Play hard, with pride and win, lose, or draw, we will show good sportsmanship and play the game of baseball as it was meant to be played, as gentlemen.

Consequences for not following the player expectations and team rules.

1. First offense: Loss of playing time.

2. Second offense: Suspension from the team.

3. Third offense: Removal from the team.

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Carlisle Baseball Player Contract

A copy of the contract can be found on Carlisle School Districts website>Athletics>Team Websites>Baseball

| I,, understand that being a part of the Carlisle Baseball program comes with many responsibilities and that I not only represent myself, my coach and my family, but also Carlisle High School and our Community. I have read, understand, and will abide by ALL of the team expectations and requirements for the Carlisle High School Baseball season. If I do not, I understand the consequences of violating team rules and expectations. |
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| Student Name (Print) |
| Student Signature:Date: |
| I have read and understand the team expectations. |
| Parent/Guardian Name (Print) |
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