

TEAM--FIRST PLAYING TIME POLICY – BABL

Koa seeks to provide all athletes with the opportunity to have fun playing the sport they enjoy. Each player should know what it feels like to be a contributing member of a team and dealing with adversity/failure.

GENERAL

1. Parents should not discuss playing time concerns with coaches. Please refer issues to the program director. Failure to do so will result in a one--weekend suspension for the parent.
2. Athlete to coach communication is always encouraged. As it is with many things, timing and approach is everything. Each player learns his role on the team when the lineup is posted. He is asked to actively support his teammates. When the lineup is not posted, he will refrain from asking his coach "can I play x, y, or z position...or am I staying at x, y, or z..". If a player asks these questions, the coach has permission to bench the player for the next inning.
3. Players can fall from favor because of diminished skills, lackluster energy, spotty attendance, or poor focus/attitude.
4. Koa coaches continuously evaluate players to determine playing time.

REGULAR SEASON

1. Everyone who shows will bat.
2. Games are for player development. Coaches will throw the best pitchers. Premium positions (P,C, SS, CF) will see little rotation.
3. Coaches are encouraged to account for changing circumstances in any game, on the winning or losing side, and to respond accordingly.

PLAYOFFS

1. We're playing these games to win.
2. How many will bat is at the coaches' discretion.
3. Minimum amount of innings in the field (A, AA – 2 innings, AAA – 3 innings)

PLEASE NOTE: It's easy to play Monday morning quarterback. Hindsight is 20/20. Koa coaches are screened and trained to manage the full range of game situations. If you have constructive feedback to share, then we'd love to hear it!

I deem that these statements and policies are fair. I offer my support as of today: ____ / ____ / ____

Player Name: _____

Player Name: _____

Signature: _____

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