

Bethesda Area Baseball League: Playing Time Policy

Koa's BABL environment provides an opportunity for athletes to have fun playing the sport they enjoy. Each player should know what it feels like to be a contributing member of the team as well as coping with adversity/failure.

General:

- 1. Parents should not discuss playing time concerns with coaches. Please refer issues to the program director or have you child advocate on his behalf.
- 2. Athlete to coach communication is always encouraged. Players must support their teammates at all times. Players will refrain from asking their coach "can I play x, y, or z position...or am I staying at x, y, z..." regardless if the line up is or is not posted. 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. Also note, failure to follow Koa's dress code will lead to a reduction of playing time.
- 4. Koa coaches continuously evaluate players to determine playing time & role on the team.

Regular Season:

- 1. The entire roster will bat.
- 2. Coaches will throw the best pitchers and there will be little rotation in the premium positions- P,C,SS,1B.
- 3. Coaches must account for changing circumstances throughout the game.
- 4. No player will sit out more than two consecutive innings.

Playoffs:

- 1. We're playing these games to win.
- 2. The entire roster will bat.
- 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 or an immediate safety issue, we'd love to hear it!

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

Player Name: _____ Parent Name: _____ Signature: _____ Signature: _____

