**Rockville Rockets**

Parent Agreement

 As the parent of a player on the Rockville Rockets, I am excited for the opportunity for my daughter to improve as a player and person. I also understand that my daughter’s improvement and ability to play at a high level requires her complete focus to remain on the coaches. I will allow the coaches to coach my daughter to the best of their ability and trust that they have my daughter’s best interest. If I have an objection during the season, I will call to schedule a time to speak with the coaches regarding my daughter. During any conversation about my daughter, I will strive to keep an open mind and be willing to hear an honest critique of my daughter. I will do my best to abide by the following standards.

* I understand the importance of clear communication between the players and coaches. I will strive to not allow my excitement or passion to negatively affect the ability for the coaches to communicate with the players during practice or games. While I desire to support my daughter and her teammates, I recognize that saying nothing helps them develop as players. I will strive to give praise when it is earned and give encouragement when it is necessary.
* I will do my best to have my daughter at every practice on time and will pick them up on time. I understand that I am welcome to stay and observe practice but that is time for the coaches to instruct, develop, and build relationships with the players.
* I understand that my daughter is responsible for making sure she has everything she needs before the game or practice starts. I will refrain from bringing Gatorades, water, gum, etc. to the dugout during the game. I desire for my daughter to learn responsibility and the ability to focus on the game, her teammates, and coaches.
* I understand that there will be plays and calls that do not go our way. At no point will I or anyone with the Rockville Rockets team, yell or degrade umpires, players, or coaches during a game. I will attempt to represent the team in a positive way and I understand that failure to do so may result in the removal of my daughter from the team.
* I understand that my daughter’s progress throughout the year relies on my willingness to work with her or find someone to work with her outside of regularly scheduled practices and games. If I have questions about what my daughter needs to work on to improve, I will set up a time to meet with the coaches.
* I understand that my daughter will be held accountable for her actions by the coaching staff. Poor sportsmanship, pouting or getting upset with teammates or themselves will result in a loss of playing time. I understand that the coaches will challenge my daughter and push her out of her comfort zone in order to make her a better player and person.
* I understand that the coaching staff will not discuss playing time or positions with parents at any time. I understand that the coaching staff will work to develop each player at positions that they feel they can be successful and help the team. I am aware that asking about playing time will result in a warning the first time, and in removal from the team the second time.

As a parent of a player on the Rockville Rockets, I understand the importance of following the guidelines laid out above. I agree to allow the coaches to coach my daughter to the best of their ability. My goal as a parent is help my daughter become the best person and softball player that she can become. I understand that it must be her desire and determination to become a great softball player and I agree to help in that process.

By signing below, I ensure that I aim to follow the standards set forth as a parent of a player on the Rockville Rockets. My goal is to see my daughter grow as a player and person. I will support the coaches and agree to set up a meeting in order to discuss the development of my daughter.

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