

Keystone Nationals Rules and Commitment Form

Before agreeing to participate in any travel sports team, parents should be aware of the high level of commitment that is expected. Travel ball is a lot of fun, but certain rules must be followed so that the team can function.

There is a nonrefundable registration fee. This payment must be made in full before you can participate in any practices/games. This will expedite your AAU membership and allow for tournament registration fees to be paid.

There are many costs involved and each player will be responsible for their part of the financial end of running their team. There will be sufficient opportunities for fundraising and/or sponsorships to help fund your team. Please plan to participate. There may be instances where fundraising will be **required**. In that case you will be given an opportunity to “buy out” of the fundraiser.

It is expected that your primary commitment to playing or practicing baseball is with your Keystone Nationals Team. Players are permitted to play town ball, with the understanding that the Keystone Nationals Team is their primary focus. Players are not permitted to play any other alternative travel baseball team. Your teammates and coaches are counting on you to be there. Any exceptions are at the discretion of your coaching staff and the coaches’ decisions are final.

THERE IS NO GUARANTEE OF PLAYING TIME. Every effort will be made to assure playing time for everyone. **All coaching decisions are final.**

Foul language, emotional outburst or throwing of equipment by a player is not allowed. You will be removed from the game. If unacceptable behavior becomes chronic, you will be removed from the team’s roster.

Disruptions to the team by parents will not be tolerated. The dugout is restricted to players and coaches only. Any parent who wishes to discuss issues relating to their child will speak to the coaches at an **appropriate time** and in a **private setting**. Please be supportive of your son and his team. Allow the coaches to make the calls and coach the team.

Parents of players and all fans of the team are expected to be responsible spectators. There will be no confrontations with umpires or opposing teams. You are expected to observe any specific tournament rules. Players, parents and coaches are expected to conduct themselves in a dedicated and sportsmanlike manner at all times.

Keystone Nationals players are students first. Playing travel baseball is a privilege. Every player **must maintain at least a B average** (or the equivalent of a B average in alternative grading systems). Failure to do so will result in suspensions escalating to removal from the team for repeated offenses.

I understand the rules of the Keystone Nationals as set forth above and agree to support and observe them at all times.

Player Signature _____ Date _____

Parent’s Signature _____ Date _____

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