

HOW TO BE A SUCCESSFUL PIRATE BASEBALL PLAYER

1. Be Early! Being early is being on time. Being on time is late. Being late is your way of showing you don't care about us or the mission.
2. Be accountable. Excuses are for the mentally weak. If you mess up, we know. Deal with it. Make an adjustment and move on.
3. Be Coachable. The coaches want you to be a success too. Listen and remember what they say. The coach is right even when he is wrong.
4. Be a great teammate. Nobody will remember your batting average. They will remember your kindness toward them in the locker room.
5. Be a servant leader. When the best players will do the smallest task, we are on the path to success.
6. Have courage. Have the courage to be "The Man".
7. Learn to compete. If you have the ability to run to your car or ride home. You didn't do enough during practice.
8. Respect the opponent, but more importantly respect The Game. The game is the opponent and "IT" knows. The Game knows if you respect it or not.
9. Communicate at all times about everything. On the field and off.
10. Don't whine or mope. Your body language screams, it never whispers. Everyone wants to play. What do you do with your opportunities.
11. Get 1% better each day. Learn daily!
12. Find a way to be good at something. Be the best on the team at one thing. When you master it, find something else to be good at.
13. Wherever you are, be ALL there.
14. Love hard work.
15. Do more than you are suppose to do. Work early, work during, work late.
16. Focus on the process and not the outcome.
17. Prepare like a pro, play like a little leaguer. Have passion for what you do.
18. Know your role. You don't have to accept it and we hope that your role grows as you grow as a player.
19. Make this a large part of your life. It has to mean something. It has to sting when we lose and cause great joy when we win.
20. Believe and live MUDITA. The Japanese word for happiness for others. You must learn to have joy for the success of other players.

DEFINITION OF "PLAY HARD" – TO PLAY 100%, WHEN 100% IS NEEDED. TO PLAY SMART, TO USE TRAINING, AND TO DO WHAT YOU'RE SUPPOSE TO DO. TO PLAY FOR THE GUY NEXT TO YOU AND TO ACIEVE THE MISSION.

