**Pine Tree Pirates Parent Meeting/Guidelines**

**Player Guidelines:**

**Discipline Action:**

**1st offense** - Some type of physical discipline (example: running, lunging, etc.)

**2nd offense** - 1 game suspension or physical discipline (whichever will sting the

most)

**3rd offense** - 3 game suspension or possible dismissal from the team

**Offense:**

Disrespecting coaches, umpires, teammates, other team, and fans

Unexcused missed practice

Unexcused missed athletics

Refusing to ride to or from games on the bus

No communication about excused missed practice/athletics beforehand

Foul Language

ISS

Tardiness on a consistent basis

Activities that jeopardize team chemistry (ie. social media, complaining about

playing time, talking down about the program, etc.)

ECC - if a player receives ECC for a second time, that player will be dismissed from the team

ETC.

These are just examples, there are other offenses that may occur throughout the year. On “gray

area” situations, it is always better to ask for permission instead of forgiveness.

**Tardiness**

DON’T BE LATE

There will be a “reminder” if you are late to practice or games. Punctuality is very important in

life.

**Lost Items**

If a player loses any item issues to him from baseball, it will be the responsibility of the player or

family to replace or pay for the item.

**Practice Uniform Rule**

When we have all of our practice gear in, the players must dress the exact same everyday with

gear issued for baseball. This includes practice pants, practice hat, practice shirt, belt, socks,

etc.

There will be a “reminder” for those who are missing uniform items. This shows discipline and

responsibility which are valuable in life.

**Hair:**

A player's hair must not be in the face or covering the ears when their hat is on. Players who

don’t abide by this rule will not play until it is properly fixed.

**Riding the Bus:**

All players must ride the bus to and from games. Exceptions: family emergency (ie. death in

family or sudden immediate family injury), injury to the player that he will need to go to the

emergency room, or JV games that are on the road before Varsity games (Players will need to

check out with a parent/guardian signature.)

**Kicked out of Practice**

If a players effort level or attitude isn’t up to the standards Coach Lemire wants it to be, Coach

Lemire will warn the player that he needs to “pick it up” or he will be kicked out of practice. From that

point forward, the decision is up to the player to make a correct response. If he doesn’t he

will be kicked out of practice and Coach Lemire will send you an email or SportsYou message when

it happens. Only Coach Lemire will be able to kick players out of practice.

**Saturday Practices**

There will be times that we will practice on Saturday. These are not mandatory, but highly

recommended.

**Weight Room**

If a player misses athletics or weight room time, they will not practice that day until he does his

lifts. The weight room is a vital part of our baseball program and needs to be taken seriously at

all times.

**Mentor System**

An upperclassmen will be paired up to an underclassmen. If one of the pair violates any rule, they

will both be disciplined, but differently.

Example: a sophomore gets ISS, this is the sophomore's first offense. The sophomore will run

and the senior assigned to him will run as well. The senior’s punishment won’t be near as much

as the sophomore that received ISS. This will make the players think about the actions they

make and how it not only affects them, but the people around them.

**Excused Absence from Practice and Athletics**

If a player has an excused absence, the player and parent (at least the parent) must send an

email or SportsYou message saying that the player is missing athletics or practice and why. Excused

absences are death in family, sickness, doctors appointment, mandatory school related function,

etc.

**Spring Break**

All players must attend practices and/or games during spring break.

**Parents Guidelines:**

**24 Hour Rule:**

A parent will not contact or come up to the coach with an issue until 24 hours after a game or

practice of which the issue occurred. The only exception is if you want to tell us how awesome

and great we are as coaches!

**In Game Unacceptable Parent Behavior:**

Heckling Umpires

Heckling the other team

Yelling at your player

Yelling at the coaches

Talking to your player during the game

ETC.

**Parent Practice Attendance:**

Parents are more than welcome to come and watch practice. The only thing I ask is that you

don’t talk to the player during practice or be a distraction.

**Assistant Coaches:**

A parent may never contact an assistant coach in any manner about the baseball program or an

issue whether it be about a game or practice. That is my (Coach Lemire) job. Coach Lemire won’t

be at all the games, but there happens to be a problem, he will deal with it. The player must

come up to Coach Lemire with his problem (24 hours after the game or practice), Coach Lemire

will go up to the coach involved; and then Coach Lemire, the coach involved, and the player will

talk about the issue together. If we don’t have better understanding about the issue, then Coach

Lemire will call a meeting with the parent, player, assistant coach, and himself.

**Head Coach/Parent Meeting Guidelines:**

I will not hold a meeting with a parent until the player meets with me first. We want our player to

grow up to be young men and this is part of it, dealing with the problems we have up front and

not letting anyone else deal with them. This is a valuable lesson for a young man to experience.

If Coach Lemire and this player can’t have a better understanding, then Coach Lemire will hold

a meeting with the parent, PLAYER, and himself and possibly another coach. This meeting will

occur during my conference period. I may possibly meet after practice, but a meeting must be

set up prior to that day and agreed on.

**Contacting Head Coach**

The only avenue Coach Lemire will accept to contact him is via email. Please do

not text or call my cell phone. **My email is** **blemire@ptisd.org**

**SportsYou App**

This will be used to contact players and parents for all information. It is highly recommended that you download the app and put in the code.

**Team Code: ZF5V-5BQP**

**Game Changer**

Varsity -

JV-

**Player Overall Expectations:**

Be coachable

Be the Standard

Be where you’re supposed to be and do what you’re supposed to do

Be respectful - teammates, coaches, umpires, other team, and fans

Be accountable - no excuses

Leaders-Followers — great teams the players lead, average team only the coaches lead, bad

teams no one leads

Don’t be afraid to ask for help (on the field and life)

**Don’t let your teammates down**

Be D1 in the classroom

Be D1 in the weight room

Be D1 on the practice field

Take care of each other!

**Player Game Expectations:**

Compete every pitch

Be relentless

Be selfless - know your role and perfect it

BYOG - Bring Your Own Guts

Leave it all out there and play ball

Be confident

Have great dugout intent

Have fun

Have intensity

Earn the victory

Win every inning

Have some pride

Positive actions need positive reactions.

Have composure when negative actions occur

**My Challenge to Parents: Don’t criticize your player’s performance unless he asks.**