

Rogersville Junior High Baseball



Culture

As the coaches of the Logan Rogersville Junior High Baseball Program, we will be placing an emphasis on building towards the future. The Logan Rogersville Baseball Program has become synonymous with excellence, both on and off the field. Our objective at the Junior High level is to instill the values and culture that Coach Ledl and his staff have brought to this program to its youngest members in order to prepare them for their high school baseball careers. It is for this reason that our rules and expectations will mimic those of the high school baseball program. It is our hope that by placing an emphasis on these rules and expectations, these young men will be prepared to take the next step towards becoming the next great group of student athletes to play Logan Rogersville High School Baseball.

- Players are expected to have hats, long-sleeves, pants, and proper shoes/cleats at all times for practices.

Pre-game

Our Pre-game routine will mimic the High School Pre-game routine. The pre-game expectations and activities are listed below:

- Players are required to arrive at the field 1 Hour prior to game time. High School players are expected to be on time, so we will have the same expectations for our players. Inform coach ahead of time for any potential time conflicts, if not, playing time may be affected.
- After arrival, players need to go to the cages to take Batting Practice. Follow the BP Plan set up by coaches.
- Pre-game jogging and stretching routine (Pitcher/Catcher work on their own) (Coach's discretion)
- Throw
- On field I/O. Follow I/O Routine. If I/O not available, take GB's and FB's.
- Team Meeting w/coaches

In Game

While on the field, we strive for perfection in all controllable facets of the game. Players will be expected to show respect for their team, themselves, the game, and the Rogersville name that is on the front of their uniforms. On the field, we will be ambassadors of our program and will represent it with pride. As such, we will expect our players to play the game the way that it is meant to be played. For a better idea of what that entails, please see the following list of rules and expectations for on field play below.

- Players must show respect for the game at all times. Throwing helmets/equipment, arguing with umpires, not hustling, not respecting coach, etc. will not be tolerated. Players will be removed from the game immediately and disciplined at the coaches' discretion.
- Players have 13 seconds or less to get on and off the field. Players are expected to pick up their teammates and get on and off the field quickly.

- Players are expected to be “in the game” at all times. During the course of the game, the sole focus will be on baseball. Parents need to refrain from coming to the dugout unless an emergency occurs.
- Food in the dugout must be game appropriate (i.e. Gatorade, sunflower seeds, etc.). You don’t need Nachos, Sour Straws, and a Dr. Pepper during the game. These approved items can be delivered at any time, but please do not distract from the game or coaching taking place.

Post-Game

- Players will meet with coaches immediately after each game down the foul line. If we cannot stay on the field, a meeting location will be disclosed at that time.
- Players will be responsible for field maintenance for all home games. The coach will provide a list of player duties and description of how to perform each duty.
- No player will be permitted to change clothes or leave until all tasks are completed. Players are expected to wear uniform as designed at all times. (Jerseys tucked in, hat straight, etc)
- We will leave every dugout in better shape than we found it. Leaving a dugout disorganized or with trash in it will not be tolerated.
- All equipment or belongings that are left behind must be earned back. To retrieve these items, players will need to run poles, do push-ups, ranger squats, or any other discipline that the coach determines appropriate. We want our kids to always be mindful and responsible.

Parent Expectations

Our parents are an extension of the Logan Rogersville Baseball Program and are expected to act as such. Parent attitudes and actions will be directly mirrored by our team’s attitudes and actions. For further explanation of what is expected of our parents, please refer to the conduct policy on our program website set by Coach Ledl.

- Any parent or player ejected or warned by umpires or coaches must meet with Coach Ledl, as soon as Coach’s schedule permits.
- Any parent issue that arises must go through that team’s specific head coach first. Coach Ledl will not discuss issues with parents until proper chain of command has been followed.
- If such issues cannot be resolved in this manner, a meeting will be scheduled at a later time with all parties involved present.
- Any and all discussions with coaches will not take place immediately following a game. A conversation can and will be had at a later date.

Coach Expectations

We feel that it is important for parents and players to know what they should be able to expect from us as coaches. Our goal as coaches is to set an example for these young men to be able to look up to and follow as they grow in this game. We will hold ourselves accountable for our actions by being as professional about our positions as possible. It is our hope that by following the rules and expectations we have listed below, we will be able to lead these young men to success both on the field and off the field.

- Coaches will be professional at all times

- Coaches will provide each player with an opportunity to start a game on DH nights. Playing and starting experience is important for developing the growth of all players.
- All coaching decisions will be with the best interest of the team first.

Season Outlook

All of the Junior High coaches are extremely excited about the upcoming season. We look forward to working with this great group of athletes and having tremendous success on the field. It is our hope that by the end of the season, these players will be ready to step up into the high school program and carry on the tradition of excellence that has been established for Logan Rogersville. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Coach Bond during the Spring season, or Coach McPherson or Coach Faulconer during the summer season. Thank you and Go Wildcats!