



YOUTH 1ST ALLIANCE – CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS

League Play in Minnesota Softball and MYAS Gopher State Baseball: Abuse of any kind directed toward an umpire will not be tolerated and will result in outs, suspensions, and disqualifications. Any player, coach, or spectator who violates the Minnesota Softball/MYAS/Youth 1st Conduct Policy before, during or after a contest, may forfeit their team's opportunity to continue participation in the league AND the actions may result in a temporary or permanent banishment from any Minnesota Softball/MYAS sponsored events. Incident Reports and disciplinary actions will be sent to the Youth 1st Alliance - Conduct Review Committee, an independent group for review and recommendations at the completion of the game. Notification of any disciplinary action may also be shared with other Minnesota event operators.

Tournament Play (including qualifiers) in Minnesota Softball and MYAS Gopher State Baseball: Minnesota Softball/MYAS/Youth 1st Conduct Policy: Any player, coach, or spectator who violates the posted Youth 1st Environment before, during or after a contest, WILL forfeit their team's opportunity to continue participation in the tournament AND the actions may result in a temporary or permanent banishment from any Minnesota Softball/MYAS sponsored events. The on-site Protest Committee reserves the right to uphold this policy. All disciplinary action will be sent to the Youth 1st Alliance - Conduct Review Committee, an independent group for review and recommendations at the completion of the tournament. Notification of any disciplinary action may also be shared with other Minnesota event operators.

YOUTH 1ST ALLIANCE – CONDUCT REVIEW COMMITTEE

An independent committee supporting community-based associations by upholding Youth 1st standards of conduct and sportsmanship through a process of investigation, review, and accountability that is applied to incident reports filed in youth baseball and softball. Disciplinary actions will be applied through the originating state association.

Process

- Step 1 – Incident report is filed.
- Step 2 – Incident report is verified by the state association.
- Step 3 – Verified report escalated to the review committee.
- Step 4 – Review committee determines need for a hearing.
- Step 5 – Hearing is conducted.
- Step 6 – Penalty phase.

Review Committee Members

- Minnesota Softball – Dan Pfeffer, Commissioner
- Minnesota Softball – Tom Bye, Junior Olympic Commissioner
- MYAS – Dawson Blanck, Executive Director/High School Official
- MYAS – Craig Perry, Board Member/Former Associate Director MSHSL
- MYAS – Scott Morris, Gopher State Board of Advisors/Former Association Baseball President
- Youth 1st – Mark Arjes, Executive Director
- Behind the Mask – Brian DeVos, Director/High School Official
- Behind the Mask – Joel Schmidt, Director/High School Official