

## **The PSA / Parent “Contract”**

*(Offered as a reminder to all PSA members)*

1. I will remember that Softball is a game and my child is playing for his or her enjoyment, not mine.
2. I will always encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve any conflicts, without resorting to hostility / violence or verbal abuse.
3. I will teach my child that doing their best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
4. I will make my child feel like a winner every time, by offering praise for competing fairly and for doing their best.
5. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
6. I will remember that children learn best by examples, including my own and the other adults present.
7. I will applaud good performances and efforts, by both my child's team and their opponents.
8. I will not force my child to participate.
9. I will never question any Umpire's judgement or honesty in public. Most umpires are also young and still learning and I will treat them, as I would want other adults to treat my child, if my child was an Umpire.
10. I will support all efforts to remove any and all verbal and physical abuse.
11. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time for my child.
12. I will respect and show appreciation for the other parents who share and practice these beliefs.