

# SHOREWOOD THUNDERBIRD BASEBALL

## TEAM EXPECTATIONS

Persistence is more important than **TALENT**.

It doesn't take talent to **HUSTLE**.

Respect the **Game** as much as you want to be respected.

Practice hard, because you play the way you practice.

Be a student of the game. Study, learn and know the history of it. **LIVE THE GAME.**

Be supportive of your teammates. **NEVER CRITIZE THEM.**

You don't have to be a great athlete to be a good baseball player.

Be as diligent on defense as you are on offense.

**PITCHING AND DEFENSE WIN CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

Pitching sets the tone.

You can win a league with a few good pitchers. Well developed pitching staffs win championships.

Balance makes champions.

Work on your game year round, the guy and team that beat you did.

Help your team **WIN** weather you play or not.

**BASEBALL REVEALS CHARACTER, IT DOESN'T BUILD IT.**

**CHARACTER** means doing the right thing when **NOBODY** is watching.

There is a reason the word **STUDENT** comes first in student athlete.

Maintain exemplary grades and don't cut classes.

Respect your teachers.

Who you are today is a result of who you were in the past. Fill your past with hard work and good deeds and you will succeed.

Don't let anyone make **EXCUSES** for you.

Don't tell what you are worth, **PROVE IT TO THEM.**

Your career choices are important.

Your parents love you but they don't know more about baseball than your coaches.

Make eye contact with adults when they talk to you.

Life is not fair. Regardless of what people tell you.

Leaders lead by doing the following: **ALL THE TIME**

1. When running or doing a drill, always do your best.

2. When you stretch do it right. When you warm up throw to a target.

3. Hustle all the time. Never walk on a **BASEBALL FIELD**

4. Play each game as if it's your last.

5. Run every hit as if it matters that you are safe.

Never argue with umpires.

The only thing your coaches owe you is **HONESTY**.

Agree to let your coaches train you.

It is your coaches opinion of you that counts. Fail to understand this and you could soon be out of the lineup.

Set goals for yourself and your team.