



REAL WINNING TEAM AWARD

The solution to the over-emphasis on winning and performance is Values-Based Actions.

YOUTH 1ST IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MINNESOTA SPORTS FEDERATION, THE MINNESOTA TWINS COMMUNITY FUND AND PLAYBALL! MINNESOTA ARE EXCITED TO OFFER A SPECIAL AWARD AT THE 2015 MSF STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENTS – **THE REAL WINNING TEAM AWARD**. TODAY'S YOUTH SPORTS CULTURE CONTINUES TO BECOME MORE ABOUT WINNING AT ALL COSTS AND ADULT AGENDAS, RATHER THAN TEACHING KIDS THE VALUES OF RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, RELIABILITY, RESILIENCY AND LOVE FOR THE GAME.

MSF IS PROMOTING A CONDUCT 1ST ENVIRONMENT AT ALL TOURNAMENT SITES. THE GOAL IS TO MODEL AND ENCOURAGE BEST CONDUCT FROM PLAYERS, COACHES AND FANS. WE WILL PROVIDE SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO THE TEAMS THAT KEEP THEIR EYE ON THE BALL BY **FOCUSING ON THE KIDS AND THE GAME IN A SAFE, POSITIVE, FUN AND ENCOURAGING MANNER**.

IN YOUR REGISTRATION INFORMATION YOU WILL FIND A COPY OF THE REAL WINNING COACH / FAN PLEDGE FOR EACH COACH ON YOUR TEAM. THE PLEDGE WILL BE PUBLICALLY POSTED AT EACH FIELD SITE AT THE CONCESSION STAND AND BY THE TOURNAMENT BRACKETS. PLEASE SHARE IT WITH YOUR TEAM, PARENTS AND FANS. THE TEAMS THAT BEST EXEMPLIFY THE REAL WINNING THEMES IN THE COACH / FAN PLEDGE WILL RECEIVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND A SPECIAL AWARD PRESENTATION AFTER THE TOURNAMENT.

HERE IS HOW IT WORKS (TEAM RATING SYSTEM):

THE GAME OFFICIALS WILL SELECT THE TEAM(S) AFTER EACH GAME DURING THE MSF STATE TOURNAMENT THAT IN THEIR OPINION BEST EXPRESSED THE IDEALS OF GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND POSITIVE BEHAVIOR. THE SELECTION INCLUDES BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDES EXHIBITED BY PLAYERS, COACHES, PARENTS AND FANS. THE TEAMS WITH THE MOST SELECTIONS DURING THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE FINAL CONSIDERATION FOR A REAL WINNING TEAM AWARD.



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