

**MURILLO MINOR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (MMAA)
YOUTH SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

CONCUSSION CODE OF CONDUCT

Under Rowan's Law, the Murillo Minor Athletic Association (MMAA) will ask the parent(s) or guardian(s) of player registrant(s) to sign the *MMAA's Release of Liability for Minor Participants*, acknowledging they have reviewed this *Concussion Code of Conduct* and the *MMAA Softball Concussion Awareness Sheet*.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE POTENTIAL SERIOUSNESS OF A CONCUSSION, Parents, Guardians, Players, Coaches and Umpires are required to:

- a) Give commitment to fair play and respect for all (including other players, coaches and umpires);
- b) Correctly wear the proper equipment for softball;
- c) Respect the rules of softball;
- d) Commit to zero-tolerance for prohibited play that is considered high-risk for causing concussions;
- e) Support a zero tolerance for behaviours that are associated for high-risk of causing concussions;
- f) Acknowledge escalating consequences for those who repeatedly violate the Concussion Code of Conduct, including potential removal from the League;
- g) Give commitment to recognizing a concussion or possible concussion, and the reporting, including self-reporting of a possible concussion to the Coaches, Teachers, Parent or Guardian; and report when an individual suspects that another player may have sustained a concussion;
- h) Give commitment to sharing any pertinent information regarding incidents of a removal from sport due to concussion with the Player's school, and other sport organizations with which the player has registered.
- i) Respond appropriately with Return-to-Play protocols if a participant is experiencing concussion-related symptoms or if you suspect any participant has sustained a concussion.
- j) Give commitment to supporting the Return-to-Play Protocol.
- k) Respect the roles and responsibilities of coaches and MMAA officials in Return to Play protocol.
- l) Maintain an open dialogue with all athletes and participants (and parents/guardians in cases of minors) about their health and any signs and symptoms of concussion they may experience.