

BILLY HORTON'S COACHING PHILOSOPHY

1.) RESPECT ONE ANOTHER

- Think before you speak and be encouraging
- Make sure your actions back up your words
- This includes administration, coaches, fans, parents, teammates and umpires

2.) BE ON TIME

- Arrive 15 minutes early for all events
- Be on the field, in the cage or in the bullpen 5-10 minutes before practice starts

3.) HAVE YOUR PRIORITIES IN LINE

- Faith
- Family
- Education
- Athletics
- Friendships

4.) PRACTICE WITH PURPOSE

- Remember that the quality of your reps always trumps the quantity
- Be efficient in all areas of your development and look for ways to improve
- Move at "game speed" in all drills and practices

5.) PLAY SMART and FAST

- Study opposing players and expose their weakness
- Continuously put pressure on the opposing team
- Control the strike zone on offense and defense

6.) HAVE A GROWTH MENTALITY

- Look for ways to improve your knowledge of the game
- Be attentive at all times and ask questions
- Mistakes happen and they are opportunities to learn

7.) FOCUS ON YOURSELF

- Be the best version of yourself and resist comparisons with others
- Control the controllables and let the rest go
- Know the situation and your role every pitch: "W.I.N." (What's Important Now)

8.) COMMUNICATE WITH OTHERS

- Hold each other accountable on and off the field in a positive way
- Remember that conflict is ok as long as we are moving towards a resolution
- Let people know as early as possible if you are unable to be on time for an event