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GameChanger: The Baseball Parent's Ultimate Guide





Synopsis

GameChanger: The Baseball Parentâ [™]s Ultimate Guide is a unique work created by baseball trainer Michael McCree to communicate the best ways baseball parents can raise and guide their aspiring ball players. This book is designed to help parents realize that they can acquire the knowledge it takes to make a meaningful impact in the ongoing development of their youth baseball player (ages 5-13), regardless of prior understanding of the game. The information presented in GameChanger: The Baseball Parentâ [™]s Ultimate Guide will transform the way parents think about issues pertaining to youth baseball. The subject matter, written by a former collegiate baseball player with over 20 years of playing and private training experience, includes topics like character building, managing expectations, overcoming slumps, dealing with injuries, and teaching the mental aspect of baseball.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I had the opportunity to read Game Changer and would highly suggest the book as a "must read" for parents. As a former DI basketball player (Auburn University) and Little League baseball Coach for nearly 20 years, I highly endorse this great piece of work. When Coaching youth baseball I had to deal with a lot of dynamics. Parents were my greatest challenge in terms of expectations of their son and the harsh remarks I heard to their child. I found many Dads to be living vicariously through there sons. Some Moms were were pretty tough to deal with as well. Conservatively, I would say over 90% of the parents I dealt with had no idea that DI baseball only offers 11.7 scholarships per year and that they are not full rides unless a player is drafted out of high school in the top 3 rounds. Game

Changer provides valuable insight to parents and their youth players in a simplistic manner as relates to realistic expectations, conduct, training/preparation, etc. I give the book a thumbs up!Eric SimmonsAuburn University Basketball Letterman

If you are a coach or a parent of a baseball player I highly recommend that you read Game Changer. As a coach of rec and travel teams this book provides much needed guidance and information. It's not just for parents, I would also suggest that the players themselves read it as well. I cannot think of any topic that is not covered from handling slumps to positive attitudes. Moving forward I am considering requiring parents of any player I coach to read Game Changer. Outstanding book and great tool for the baseball family.

Michael McCree's book GAME CHANGER really CHANGES THE GAME. This book answers all of the important questions parents should and must have about youth baseball. It's a fresh insight , loaded with information , reader friendly and has a special focus on the importance on how to choose the right private instructor for a child . As a former coach , it made my job a lot easier when knowledgeable parents already knew what was expected of their child , but also what was expected of them and their actions at the ballpark as well as at home. It was vital that the conduct , sportsmanship and work ethic be fully understood and shared by the child , the parent and the coach. This book will help parents understand and enjoy the game because it is a clear, simple and refreshing read. I give this book a " HIGH FIVE " and a " MUST READ " for parents and coaches who love baseball. Allen B. Thomas Montgomery , AL

Great read. Should be included in all equipment given to players with the expectation that ALL parents and coaches read this. It gives coaches an understanding of where parents of many different levels of understanding come from as well as gives parents the etiquette and knowledge of being a parent of a ball players (regardless of age or sex). Chapters can help parents decide between in house leagues and travel (this is needed!!)There are even some chapters that I had my son (9 year old travel player) read about health and nutrition in regards to the game. As a parent, former player and teacher....this is a MUST read book!

I highly recommend this book for anyone who has interest in learning the ins and outs of the game of baseball and/or has a family member interested in participating in the sport. The book was very informative, with great ideas and topics that I think many people tend to forget about. As a person who is unfamiliar with the world of baseball (there are even definitions for technical terms in the back of the book), I feel that this book gave a great, in-depth view on how this sport is played, but also the psychological and physical aspects of the game. I appreciate the author's ability to portray all dimensions involved for both the parent's AND the child's growth in learning the best approach to succeeding. And most importantly, having FUN!It is a very easy read! I think this is a great tool of reference that can be used at anytime throughout a child's baseball career. The author's passion for the game is evident throughout and after passing this book along to my cousin whose son is interested in the game, I know that her and her son will benefit immensely!

Mike McCree has done a tremendous job providing insights for parents to help their athlete have a positive baseball (or any sport) experience. â œHaving a parent who is a game changerâ • is the first step to success for every young athlete - then find a coach of significance!.Favorite Chaptersâ | Managing Expectations â " Comparisonitis â " Being a Versatile Player â " How to Handle Slumps â " Game Day Anxiety â " Contagious AttitudesBruce and Dana Brown - Proactive Coaching

Read this book on a road trip. I actually read it out load to my husband while he drove. we both found the book to be very informative and it gave us a lot to think about and discuss. We both really enjoyed it. Especially the part about being in a slump. My son has been in a slump, and this gave us ideas on how to help him and not hold him back. I also like the part about the bats (you will have to read to see what I am talking about). we consider ourselves pretty laid back parents, and don't ever overly push our kids in sports, but reading this made us realize we were guilty of a few things, and now we are aware of that and have this book to reference to keep us in check. My son (12) is now reading this. It is definitely geared more towards parents, but I also thought it had some good information for him to read and take from it what he can. I thought maybe it would give him more of an understanding of where we were coming from in different situations. He loves baseball and we love watching him play. I really think this book is a MUST read for any parent or coach of a baseball player. A lot of good advice in it. I even highlighted areas that I thought were most important for me :) Good to keep handy for reminders and reference!

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