

Here's how you can make your "Buddy" experience a great one!

To do:

- Arrive 15 minutes before game time. Bring completed Volunteer Registration with you. Sign in at the volunteer tent.
- Hear our "Buddy Welcome" from one of our KML volunteers. Wait for dugout assignment and instructions.
- Check in with the coach and get your player assignment.
- Be aware of your player and what is going on in the game at ALL times
- Know the special need(s) of your player (Coach may give you background/instructions)
- Help direct your player toward the bases (Ex: When your player hits, make sure to send him/her toward first and not third!)
- Be supportive of your player
- Shield your player from any heavy hitters
- Allow your player to have as much freedom as possible
- Help keep your player intrigued and entertained when you are in the outfield
- Always have a positive attitude
- Wear the "angel in the outfield" t-shirt you were given or your group's ID/logo shirt
- Make sure to monitor your player's needs. (Ex: If your player is becoming overheated, take him/her to the shade with cup of water or cold towel (both in the dugouts).

Not to do:

- Don't have more than one buddy with one player
- Don't "over-buddy" or pull or force your player around
- Don't switch players--stay with the same player throughout the entire game
- Don't make the game competitive- we're all about fun and the experience
- Don't be negative, discouraging, or condescending
- Don't be shy about asking questions of your coach or assistant coach
- Do not take your player into the restrooms—contact coach if need arises
- Don't use your cell phone or text while buddying. All attention needs to be on your player!

Above all, HAVE FUN!!!

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