

Tony La Russa

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I'm a great believer in the character of the club. To me, character has a lot to do with how you compete. That creates urgency and toughness. That elevates the talent that you have.

~Tony La Russa

Even when you have three strikes, you're still not out. There is always something else you can do.

~Tony La Russa

Pressure comes when someone calls on you to perform a task for which you are unprepared.

~Tony La Russa

Play the game right. If you play the game intelligently and execute the fundamentals, you can win.

~Tony La Russa

It's like most anything. If you want to be a loser, there's always a way to dwell on the negative. If you want to win, there's always a way to think positively.

~Tony La Russa

Just because you're down to your last strike, you're not out yet. You can always do more. You'll always have more at-bats to take. That's true in baseball, in rescuing animals, and in life generally.

~Tony La Russa

Toughest thing for me as a young manager is that a lot of my players saw me play. They know how bad I was.

~Tony La Russa

We never quit trying. I know that's kind of corny, but the fact is we never quit trying. The dugout was alive even when we were behind. And sometimes it works.

~Tony La Russa

There are always distractions, if you allow them.

~Tony La Russa

Anything that disturbs your comfort factor is good for you.

~Tony La Russa

It's a really neat and special coincidence, but it's nothing but a coincidence. This wasn't set up to give Matt that honor. It's just the way it worked out. It's a neat extra.

~Tony La Russa

The thing I learned when I was playing was that your best way of winning was to make it difficult for the other team to score in the last three innings.

~Tony La Russa

The best way to win is to play well early or late in the game. The middle part tends to take care of itself.

~Tony La Russa

I'm careful not to give into theatrics when times are tough, I don't like it when somebody gives into outside pressure and puts on a show for others.

~Tony La Russa

In the end, as a manager or coach, you have to keep your heart pure and do your best as a manager or a coach.

~Tony La Russa

The game has never seen a better catcher than YADIER MOLINA.

~Tony La Russa

You can be stupid once, but idiotic to do it again. I'll settle for being stupid.

~Tony La Russa

To me, there is no more conscientious umpire in the Major Leagues than Jim Joyce. He gives you a hellacious effort every time.

~Tony La Russa

I'm very distressed that the report was leaked early so that the initial headline said 'dismissed, fired.' That's 180 degrees from the arrangement we have potentially.

~Tony La Russa

I'm ready to do something different.

~Tony La Russa

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