

Parent Information Night

WAA Travel Baseball



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- ABC's of Travel Baseball
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What is WAA Travel About

Our mission is to develop young athletes by providing baseball instruction and the opportunity to compete with other players of similar ability. Our objectives are to provide an organized program for the youth of our community that will:

- Promote physical fitness, stamina, and agility.
- Develop self-confidence.
- Develop respect for others, teamwork, pride in team and community.
- Teach the fundamentals of baseball.
- Incorporate the spirit of good sportsmanship in victory and defeat.
- Allow as many players as possible to have an opportunity to participate and develop.
- Play in a safe and healthy environment.
- Build character and set priorities in our lives.
- Allow everyone to have fun and enjoy the game.

Is Travel Baseball Right for My Child?

- YOUR child wants to play the game because he really likes it, not because YOU want him to play
- Your May/June/early July will be busier than Rec Baseball, be prepared.
- Commitment level is higher than in Rec, but completely manageable with good communication
- Season goes from Feb thru end of July (more to come on this)

ABC's of Travel Ball

- Levels of Play (AAA, AA, A)
- Time Commitment
- The “travel” of Travel Baseball
- Playing Time
- Cost of Playing Travel Ball

Tryout Process

- Dates: Sept 18th & 19th Approx: 7:45 - 11:30
- All Tryout drills are found on our website
- Evaluation Process
- Team Formation Process, what to expect

Coach Selection Process & Evaluation

- Formal Selection Process
- No coaches are named prior to tryouts
- Once assigned to a team, will solicit for assistant coaches
- All coaches are required to complete Trusted Coaches certification
- 2 way communication is essential

The Season

Winter Season

- When
- Where
- Time Commitment (conflicts with other sports)

Outdoor Season

- When
- Practices and Games
- League
- Tournaments
- State Tournaments

Budget Overview

- 2 primary payment times (Registration and Uniform Pick-Up)
- Review Budget Sheet

Uniform Info

- Uniform Fitting is in early/mid January
- Uniform pick up is early April, when the 2nd payment is due
- Have options when purchasing (number of items, etc)

Volunteer Requirements

- All baseball families are required to work one volunteer shift (approx 2-3 hours) throughout the season
 - Uniform Try-On
 - Uniform Pick-Up
 - Tournaments (3) - field prep
- Travel Baseball families are required to sign up for one work shift per player, max two shifts per family.
- An opt out fee is available at \$175.
- Board Members, Head Coaches, and 2 assistant coaches are exempt from volunteering

Interested in Helping in Other Ways?

- Multiple open board positions are available
- Participate and help guide one of the biggest youth programs in the East Metro
- As a sitting board member, you are eligible for reduction of fees
- Communications will be out after tryouts!

Please Consider Helping!

Q&A

Thanks for attending!

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