

Luverne Baseball Association Traveling Team Rules and Selection Process

The Luverne Baseball Association (LBA) will Sponsor Traveling Teams for Luverne youth 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, Grades. The purpose is to provide players the Opportunity to play more games and develop more as a player. Most Teams will be coached by Dads in that Grade if no Dad can be found Parents may opt to collect money and hire an outside Coach such as a College Player or other adult (Note LBA will not pay for the Coach and the Coach must be approved by the Board. Suggested rate is \$750 -\$1000) Teams will play in 3-4 area weekend Tournaments from May 29 to the end of July. At this time one Luverne Tournament will be provided for free and all parents will be asked to help work. Traveling Team Baseball will give Players a chance to play other area Teams, learn more about Baseball, and have a lot of Fun.

Selection of Teams and rules follow below:

- Cost today is \$100 per player and will get the player a new or refreshed uniform (try to reuse uniform when possible and do not use for Community Ed. Games will make them last longer). Cost also includes entry into 3-4 Board approved tournaments
- Players will purchase \$50 worth of raffle Tickets at sign up and will have the chance to sell them or the parent can simple buy out the tickets. The Tickets are \$5 each. Any player can choose to sell more than \$50 of Tickets and if so LBA will give them ½ of what they sell over the first required \$50.
- All players must be enrolled and playing Community Education baseball (minor or major league) to be on a Traveling Team
- LBA is not affiliated with Community Education but does work together well with CE.
- Practice, games, and Tournaments will be scheduled by the Coaches with input from all players parents
- Each Team will have a \$500 budget for tournaments provided by LBA if Teams chose to go to big tournaments then parents will have to pay to cover it once over \$500
- We will play to win (but still have fun)
- Equal Playing time is not promised, nor should be expected
- Attendance at practice will be expected. Communicate with the coach if you have to miss. Missing practice may effect playing time.
- Loel Olson is the Coach Director and will lead all Coaches through some basic expectations of a coach and Video Training of drills and Baseball techniques to help develop players safely.
- All coaches will be expected to be at Board Meetings as Leaders of their team from Jan. 1 until Sept.1. for input and to learn General LBA expectations. Board positions are also available.

- LBA wants to put True Traveling Teams on the Field and be competitive so 11-12 players per Team is advised and if too many players sign up on a Grade level some type of tryout process may occur. In this case LBA Directors and Redbird players and other Coaches will run Stations to evaluate and pick Team of 12 players. If 16 or so sign up another method used is taking just 11 or 12 each time with an ABC division of players so some stay home each time. The coach is allowed to bring the pitchers on the group that is off but the player is only allowed to pitch.
- Coaches are urged to develop 5-7 pitchers on each Team and not over throw 2-3 pitchers just to win. We are making players for the future and do not want to wreck arms. Coaches and players are urged to watch Baseball drills and training videos that the LBA will provide.
- Each Grade should have their own Team. We will try not to move players to other Grades to make a Team. 2nd Graders will not be allowed to travel.
- All Coaches, parents, and players will be respectful, show good sportsmanship, and be Professional at all games and practices.
- All grievances with Coaches, players, and parents will have a Mandatory 24 hour wait time before a parent can contact a coach. No contact will be allowed or tolerated at games or in front of the Team.
- The Coach will hold a Professional Grievance meeting and may include a LBA Board member if he so desires.
- After said meeting if the issues can not be resolved it will be brought to a special Grievance Meeting with the LBA grievance committee for further processing.
- Any Parent /Coach issues that are abrupt, out of control, and distracting to the Team may lead to the suspension of player from the Team or said parent will not be allowed to attend the event.
- These are General guidelines and the LBA may change or govern these Rules as needed.
- LET'S PLAY BASEBALL

Player signature _____

Parent signature _____

Date signed _____