

## 2021 Westlake Baseball League

### Travel Application

WBL Travel Players Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emails: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2020 HISTORY

What league did you play in? \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Positions Played: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you play Fall Ball in 2020? \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in playing indoor winter baseball: \_\_\_\_\_

Camps/Clinics attended: \_\_\_\_\_

### Other Sports or Interests

AAU Basketball: YES or NO

Hockey: YES or NO

Travel/Club Soccer: YES or NO

Swim Team: YES or NO

Other sports/interests that may conflict with WBL Travel practices/games:

Teams typically include 12 players and practices begin in November with games from mid April until late July.

To ensure enough players at each game, what vacations may, or have you already planned through 8/21.

Dates and length of vacation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you read, signed and handed in "TRAVEL BASEBALL: Commitment to the Game?" YES or NO

Have your read WBL Code of Conduct: YES or NO

As Parents, do you agree to:

1. Uphold Parent's Code? YES or NO
2. Discuss importance of Player's Code with your child? YES or NO
3. Hold the WBL Travel Coach accountable to the Coaches Code? YES or NO

## WESTLAKE BASEBALL TRAVEL LEAGUE

### *A Commitment to the Game*

Often as parents, we are confronted by the decision to choose between REC or Travel Baseball. We hope this sheds light on some of the detailed differences between the two programs.

1. It is a commitment...because of the **Time Involved**. Players must travel to and from surrounding NE OH cities any day of the week. Players start practicing as a team as early as November. The season starts mid-April and continues through the end of July. Players are expected to make all games during the season (April – July). Arriving for a game can be as much as 1.0 hours prior to game time. All rain outs will be made up, setting up the possibility of several (3 or more games) in a week. All are meaningful differences that add up to a substantial time commitment.
2. It is a commitment...because of **Cost**. Travel baseball is significantly more expensive than REC baseball. Your participation in additional fundraising activity may also be required by all involved. Once players and parents have made this commitment, NO REFUNDS will be granted due to lack of commitment or injury.
3. It is a commitment.... because of **Playing Time**. Regular baseball rules apply to batting order and substitutions. While playing time is NOT GUARANTEED...all players will play throughout the course of the season. Players are put into positions that they can improve in. Coaches will put players into positions that keeps them safe and gives the team the best chance to win.
4. It is a commitment.... because of **Position Played**. Practices, skill sets, additional training, experience and game knowledge, ALL have a role in determining the position of each player to help the team. Each player/parent may NOT pick where they play.

Travel baseball is not for every player or every family. However, it can be a truly rewarding experience for the player/family who commits to developing their skill set year-round.

Being on a team means learning responsibility, accountability and asking what they can do to help the team.

Getting to know what you're committing to is the first step in understanding how travel baseball is a commitment to the game.

Please sign and date below and hand to the manager of the division that matches your child's age.

X \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature & Date

X \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature & Date

X \_\_\_\_\_ Player Signature & Date