

# 2022 Westlake Baseball League

## Travel Application

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 2021 HISTORY

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

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

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

Will you play Fall Ball in 2021? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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 8/22.

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

Have you read TRAVEL BASEBALL, WHAT TO EXPECT: YES or NO.

Have your read WBL CODE OF CONDUCT: YES or NO.

Please sign and date below

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

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

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

## WBL CODE OF CONDUCT

*\*Please read and intial and sign @ bottom.*

- \_\_\_\_\_. I agree to uphold the rules and regulation of the Westlake Baseball League.
- \_\_\_\_\_. I agree to ensure that my child(ren) will uphold the rules & regulations of the Westlake Baseball League.
- \_\_\_\_\_. I certify that I have read and understand the rules and regulations as detailed at [www.westlake-baseball.com](http://www.westlake-baseball.com).
- \_\_\_\_\_. I agree to support an enthusiastic and positive environment for parents, players, coaches & referees.
- \_\_\_\_\_. I agree that the use of any unsportsmanlike conduct, profanity, intimidation, threats, or violence, whether physical or psychological will **NOT** be tolerated and the Westlake Baseball League reserves the right to expel any spectator, participant, parent or coach from current and /or future Westlake Baseball League activities for displaying any of these behaviors.
- I understand my child will play in his age or grade appropriate league.
  - I understand the league is mixed-competitive and participants of all skill levels are encouraged to play equally.
  - I understand that I will supervise or arrange for another adult to supervise my child(ren) at all Westlake Baseball League practices, games or events.
  - I understand the league is an all-volunteer organization and I will treat all participants, coaches, board members, referees and volunteers with dignity and respect, at all times.
  - I understand as the parent/guardian of a participant, I may be asked to volunteer and assist with an activity.
  - I understand that if I volunteer or assist as a coach or assistant coach in the Westlake Baseball League, I will complete a Kid Safe Risk Management Form bi-yearly as required by the Westlake Baseball League and the Westlake Baseball League may be billed directly for the fee.

THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

IF ANY OF THE INFORMATION IS NOT CORRECT, I UNDERSTAND THAT MY CHILD (PLAYER) MAY BE INELIGIBLE TO PLAY.

I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INFORMATION MAY BE VERIFIED.

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Signature (Full Name)

Date

## **Travel Baseball – What To Expect**

- 1) Teams generally consist of 11-12 players and the regular season goes from mid-April to late July
- 2) Teams will generally hold indoor practices once a week from January to mid-April.
- 3) During the season, you can expect 2-3 games per week and maybe one practice.
- 4) The season will typically consist of 30-40 games depending on the number of tournaments entered. The regular season will consist of roughly 20 games and an additional 3-5 tournaments.
- 5) Travel for the regular season at the younger age groups will generally consist of a maximum distance of Lorain to the West, Medina to the South and Hudson to the East. Tournaments can be extended beyond that range at the older age groups at the discretion of the coach.
- 6) Travel baseball involves a high level of competition and is appropriate for players that have shown an aptitude and love for the game.
- 7) Due to the high level of competition, travel players are expected to play multiple positions. This will help them as they eventually transition to HS baseball.
- 8) The cost per player for a travel team approximates \$500-\$600 dependent on the tournaments entered. This amount can increase around age 12 as the teams begin to travel out of state to destination type tournaments.
- 9) The cost to play travel baseball is more than rec baseball, but SIGNIFICANTLY less than the cost to play for a club baseball team.
- 10) Westlake travel teams compete very well against the club baseball teams at a far lower cost.
- 11) The expectation in travel baseball is that players will attend most every game with any missed games discussed with the coach months in advance. Players should attend all winter practices unless they have conflicts with games in winter sports.
- 12) At the 8U-12U level, all players typically bat in every game and play in the field most innings. At 13U+, playing time becomes less guaranteed.
- 13) Starting around age 10, many teams choose to play in fall baseball leagues as well.
- 14) Tryouts are held each summer. A roster spot is not guaranteed just because you were on the team last year.
- 15) Travel baseball is a lot of fun, friendships are made and it can be a very rewarding experience for the player who has the skill level/dedication to the game.