



BATTER UP!



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WYBSL: MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY



Westerville is certainly a community steeped in traditions; from the 9th annual rendition of the Sunrise Rotary Club's *Field of Heroes* (above) to the WYBSL's 66th spring/summer season – and soon our 22nd Fall Ball season! If you're new to our community – we welcome you and your family and hope your time with us is an experience you cherish for years to come. And if you're a "veteran" of the WYBSL, we are grateful for your continued support of a program that dates back to our origins in 1951.

This edition of *Batter Up!* includes information on some exciting events we have planned for the remainder of our Spring/Summer program as well as complete details on our Fall season. From our All Star Saturday event, to Westerville's Independence Day Parade, to the excitement that our post-season tournaments offer for Coach-Pitch and older leagues, the current season is packed with fun and sure to be full of memories.

How do you top that? We're already hard at work on our 2017 Fall Ball leagues – a recreational program that offers players a chance to experience playing in an age division they will participate in next spring. So whether you're starting in Tee-Ball or moving from one division to the next, you can continue to hone your skills and prepare for "the next level" all while being able to "play with a friend" (see complete information on page 5).

With what we have planned, be sure to "dig into the box", play your heart out – and don't forget to register for Fall Ball by July 17th. ***See you at the fields!***

Ken Sahlin, Editor

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FALL 2017 – KEY DATES

Activity	Date(s)*
Walk-In Registration	
• 64 E. Walnut Street	Jul 8
• 10AM – 1PM	Jul 15
Regular Registration Deadline (late fee applies after 7/17 postmark)	Jul 17
Scholarship Application Deadline	
Play-Up Assessments (see p. 4, incl. BBH & BKH note)	Jul 12 Jul 25
Withdrawal with Full Refund (see p. 5)	Jul 20
Last Day for Refund	Jul 30
Practices Begin	Week of
• Coach Pitch and older	Aug 6
• Tee-Ball	Aug 13
Players notified of team assignment	Aug 8
Games Begin	
• Coach Pitch & Older	Aug 26
• Tee-Ball	Sept 9
Fall Season Ends	Oct 15
Fall Coaches Evaluation Meeting & Annual Meeting/Elections	Nov 4

*Practice & game dates subject to weather and teams/league

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ABOUT THE WYBSL

The WYBSL is an organization that exists for the sole purpose of organizing, conducting, and supervising a recreational baseball and softball program in our community. The league was established in 1951, when Westerville resident Alden Bennett organized a boy's baseball league consisting of four teams and sixty boys. Alden directed the program for ten years. In 1961, Dick Retherford became Commissioner and with the help of many volunteers, supervised the rapidly growing program.

The "JBBL" (Junior Boys Baseball League) of Westerville became incorporated with the State of Ohio in 1966. In 1975, the program was broadened to provide softball for girls and grew rapidly adding a Junior Tee-Ball League in 1987.

This year marks the 22nd year of *Fall Ball* as a part of WYBSL's overall program. Since its beginning in 1996 (with only 78 players in one league) WYBSL *Fall Ball* has become one of the largest programs of its kind. Each year, 800 to 900 young people play on more than 70 teams in 11 leagues for girls (4-15) and boys (4-17).

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FALL PROGRAM OVERVIEW



This year WYBSL offers 11 *Fall Ball* leagues in boys' baseball, girls' fast-pitch softball and coed Tee-Ball – and players will generally be grouped with the age level in which they will play next spring/summer. *Fall Ball* in the WYBSL blends spring/summer season veterans with new players, those of other leagues and local "travel teams" – and is a great way to prepare young people who will be moving up to the next level of play in the spring – or starting to play in our youngest leagues. Our emphasis is on learning and sportsmanship – and is geared toward fun.

We'll assure a place for every family who lives, works or attends school within the boundaries of the Westerville City School District and applies by the regular registration deadline. But, we will accept other applications at any time on a space available basis. In all past *Fall Ball* seasons, we have placed 100% of all applications postmarked by the regular postmark deadline date (this year, July 17th).

You'll find the appropriate application forms on pages 9-12 of this newsletter:

- A **long form application** (p. 10) for players who did not play with us this spring/summer.
- A **short form application** (p.11) for all of our 2017 spring/summer players.
- A **play-up form** (p.11) for those players requesting to "play-up" from their normal age. **See section about mandatory play-up assessments on page 4.**
- A WYBSL Charge Authorization form (p.12) for families paying by credit or debit card.

All forms are also available at www.wybsl.org, the Westerville Community Center and Westerville Library.

Registering is easy & convenient:

- Use our **NEW** online registration program; follow directions at www.wybsl.org.
- Attend one of our walk-in Registration sessions on Saturdays, July 8th and July 15th between 10AM and 1PM, at the Westerville City Building at 64 E. Walnut Street (east side entrance).
- Mail your completed forms and fees to the address on p. 11.

If you have any questions, or need help when completing forms, please call us (614-523-6101) or send an e-mail message (wybsl@wybsl.org). A volunteer will respond and try to answer all inquiries.

All players who did not play in the WYBSL during 2016 or 2017 must provide a birth certificate copy. Players who did not play in the 2017 WYBSL spring/summer season must also add a \$24 Fields Fee (spring/summer players have already paid this annual fee).

ABOUT OUR NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION

During our spring 2017 season, the WYBSL launched a new online registration program with the goal to increase convenience for families as well as our volunteer staff. Parents can now create accounts for their players and quickly register each season.

With this new service, we will no longer accept registrations via fax or email. Additionally, the league plans to phase out mail registrations in 2018 but remains committed to offering walk-in sessions for those who prefer to register "off-line".

WYBSL ACCEPTS CREDIT CARDS

If you wish to pay your WYBSL fees using a debit or credit card, please complete and send or bring a "**WYBSL Charge Authorization**" form with your Registration form. The form can be found on page 12. A \$5 fee will be added for handling.

Fall Boys' Black Hat (HS) Division

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PLAY UP ASSESSMENTS

A player's "Playing Age" is his/her age on April 30, 2017, and we urge parents and/or guardians to consider that the children play in the normal league for their age.

But we realize that some players benefit from "playing-up" to an older league, or wish to play with siblings – and WYBSL continues to make this opportunity available during *Fall Ball* – at their parent's request and with the approval of the WYBSL. Play-up assessment attendance is a mandatory criterion.

For **GIRLS** with Playing Ages of 5, 7, 9 or 11, and

For **BOYS** with Playing Ages of 5, 6, 7, 9 or 11,

- 1) A parent or guardian must submit a Play-Up Form with the player's application at registration.
- 2) After July 15th, space must be open.
- 3) Players will be considered in the chronological order in which their forms and fees are received.
- 4) The player **MUST** either:
 - Have played in the same higher age division before (2016 Fall or 2017 Spring/Summer season), or
 - Attend a mandatory play-up assessment session at Huber Village Park on Wednesday, July 12th or Tuesday, July 25th, at 6:00 PM.
 - Note: Players wishing to play-up to Boys' Blue/Black Hat will be contacted for assessment scheduling.
- 5) WYBSL staff must agree that the player is able to safely and competitively play at the requested level.

If the player does not attend an assessment session, or if the staff does not believe that the player can safely and competitively play at the requested level, the parents will be contacted and given the option of playing at the normal age level, **if space is available**.

NOTE: WYBSL reserves the right to reevaluate a play-up participant at any time, before or during the season, and take appropriate action to ensure the safety of all players.



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LEAGUES/FEES

AGES, DAYS OF PLAY AND FEES – FALL – 2017
REGISTRATION POSTMARK DEADLINE: JULY 17th

Copies of birth certificates are required for all players who did not participate during 2016 or Spring/Summer 2017.

Girls' Softball Leagues

Coach-Pitch (6-7)	5/01/09-4/30/11	Tu Th Sat	\$86
Green Hat (8-9)	5/01/07-4/30/09	Tu Th Sat	\$91
Red Hat (10-11)	5/01/05-4/30/07	Tu Th Sat	\$96
Blue Hat (12-15)	5/01/01-4/30/05	Tu Th Sat	\$101

Boys' Baseball Leagues

Coach-Pitch B (6)	5/01/10-4/30/11	Tu We Sat	\$86
Coach-Pitch A (7)	5/01/09-4/30/10	Tu We Sat	\$86
Green Hat (8-9)	5/01/07-4/30/09	Tu Th Sat	\$91
Red Hat (10-11)	5/01/05-4/30/07	Tu Th Sat	\$96
Blue Hat (12-13)	5/01/03-4/30/05	Tu Th Sat	\$101
Black Hat (14-17)•	5/01/99-4/30/03	Varies	\$126

•Must be full-time high-school student during season.

Coed Tee-Ball League

Tee-Ball (4-5)	5/01/11-4/30/13	We Sat	\$65
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Playing age is the age on April 30, 2017

If player did not play in a WYBSL league this Spring/Summer, you must add \$24 to the fee for our fields fund, which is used for capital projects and maintenance.

FAMILY PLAN (calculated from highest to lowest fee)

First two players @ full fees; All others @ \$25 each.

PLAYERS WILL BE ACCEPTED
 ON A SPACE-AVAILABLE BASIS

Late Registration Penalty – After July 17th Postmark

Additional \$30 per player
 Plus loss of Family Plan discounts (if applicable).

\$30 will be charged for any returned check or charge.

Teams will normally play twice a week.
 12 Scheduled Games (8 in Tee-Ball)

Make-up games may not be played if each team has played a minimum of 10 games (6 in tee-Ball): if make-up games are possible, they will be played on Sundays, Mondays, or following the end of the regularly scheduled season.

With league permission and if space permits, a child may play up one year (not one league): for example, a five year old can request to play in Coach-Pitch instead of Tee-Ball – a four year old may not. To request this option, a Play-Up form must be sent each season and all such players must attend a mandatory skill assessment session.

Parents should not request that a player "play-down" to a younger level. Don't even ask!

REFUND POLICY

Although we expect every registered child to play in the WYBSL, we know that some unforeseen circumstances do arise that might cause a player to withdraw from the league.

In order to request a refund, a parent or guardian must SEND AN E-MAIL MESSAGE to WYBSL@WYBSL.ORG – reporting the player’s name, league, date and reason for withdrawal. If the withdrawal is reported:

- By July 20th, a full refund will be given.
- By July 30th, a \$25 fee will be charged.
- On or after July 31st, there shall be no refund.

SCHOLARSHIPS

WYBSL offers a scholarship program to help assure that all eligible players (who reside within the Westerville City School District) can participate in our League, regardless of financial circumstances.

Depending upon the individual situation, this program may allow deferred payments and/or full or partial fee grants to provide assistance up to \$130 per year per child.

If you want to apply for a scholarship, you must email Chris Carson at cfo@wybsl.org – do not register online. PLEASE NOTE, all scholarship applications must be submitted by July 17th. If you or your company would like to continue to help fund and provide these opportunities, please contact Chris as well.

EMPLOYER GRANTS

Many employers have programs that provide contributions, donations, or grants to non-profit organizations, such as the WYBSL, for your volunteer participation. Please investigate your employers’ programs for community volunteering. The WYBSL would like to thank the employers that have contributed donations to date, including Intel, NiSource, Kokosing, and AVNET. If your employer has such a program, please contact the WYBSL Chief Financial Officer, Chris Carson, at cfo@wybsl.org.

TEAM SELECTION

WYBSL attempts to build teams based upon skill level, to “balance the teams”. Coaches and staff members rate players who played in our spring/summer leagues and parents of new players are asked to rate their child’s skills. Then the staff assembles teams by:

- Honoring “friend” requests – adults wishing to coach together must use this procedure (see below).
- Siblings in the same league are automatically placed on the same team, unless otherwise requested.
- Dividing pitchers and catchers (in older leagues).
- Allocating the remaining players, attempting for parity among teams.
- In Coach-Pitch and Tee-Ball, we attempt to build teams by geographic area.

Requests for specific coaches or “car-pooling” groups unfortunately cannot be honored.



PLAY WITH ONE FRIEND

While we again try to honor requests to play with one friend (or coach together), we want everyone to understand the procedure we will use.


In order to be put on a team with one friend or be paired with another coach, both players must list each other as “1st Choice” on their registration forms. We will not necessarily honor requests of more than one person who lists the same friend. And we will not allow any “chain-ing”, where one players lists one friend who lists another friend and so on.

As a reminder, the spring/summer and fall leagues are independent from each other, so teams do not stay together. Additionally, last year’s *Fall Ball* teams will not be kept together.

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LEAGUE OVERVIEW

Our league offers young boys and girls the opportunity to spend many years in our program. Although skills and competition increase as players advance through the system, the focus at all levels is on learning, playing and fun. Continuous batting orders are used and all players must play a minimum number of innings in the field. And, although we base our rules on National Federation of High School standards, there are modifications for each league to provide a careful evolution and recreational focus as summarized below:

Tee-Ball	No scores or standings are kept, ten players bat each inning regardless of outs and ten defensive players with coaches in the field for instruction. Players placed in different field positions each inning.
Coach-Pitch	Coaches pitch to their own team, scores and standings are kept but not emphasized, batters receive up to 7 pitches but there are no walks. Ten fielders are used with coaches teaching from the field and fielders must play 3 innings and must play infield and outfield.
Green Hat	Players are pitching, bunting and stealing (see specific rules). Baseball teams play with 9 players in the field and pitching in baseball and softball is limited to 3 innings per game.
Red Hat	Competition increases but focus on instruction continues. Stealing of all bases is allowed and dropped 3rd strike is introduced. Limited balk rules in baseball.
Blue Hat	Generally a middle school age league, certified OHSAA umpires are used, pitchers can pitch complete games. In baseball, field size increases substantially and lead-offs are allowed.
Black Hat	For baseball, generally high school young men playing on "major league" field size. Seventeen year olds must be full-time, high school students during the season.

BOYS' BASEBALL PROGRAM OVERVIEW BY LEAGUE

	Baselines	Pitching Distance	Innings	Ages	Days	Balls	Umpires	IP/ game ²	IP/ week ²
Co-Ed Tee-Ball	45'	n/a	5	4-5	WSa	RIF ¹	Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Coach-Pitch B	60'	36'	6	6	TuWSa	RIF ¹	Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Coach-Pitch A	60'	46'	6	7	TuWSa	RIF ¹	Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Green Hat	60'	46'	6	8-9	TuWSa	League	Paid/Trained	3	6
Red Hat	60'	46'	6	10-11	TuThSa	League	Paid/Trained	6	6
Blue Hat	80'	54'	7	12-13	TuThSa	League	Certified	7	9
Black Hat	90'	60' 6"	7	14-17	MTuWThSa	League	Certified	7	9

GIRLS' SOFTBALL PROGRAM OVERVIEW BY LEAGUE

	Baselines	Pitching Distance	Innings	Ages	Days	Balls	Umpires	IP/ game ²	IP/ week ²
Co-Ed Tee Ball	45'	n/a	5	4-5	WSa	RIF ¹	Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Coach-Pitch	50'	30'	6	6-7	TuThSa	11" RIF ¹	Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Green Hat	60'	35'	6	8-9	TuThSa	11"	Paid/Trained	3	n/a
Red Hat	60'	40'	6	10-11	TuThSa	12"	Paid/Trained	4	n/a
Blue Hat	60'	40'	7	12-15	TuThSa	12"	Certified	7	n/a

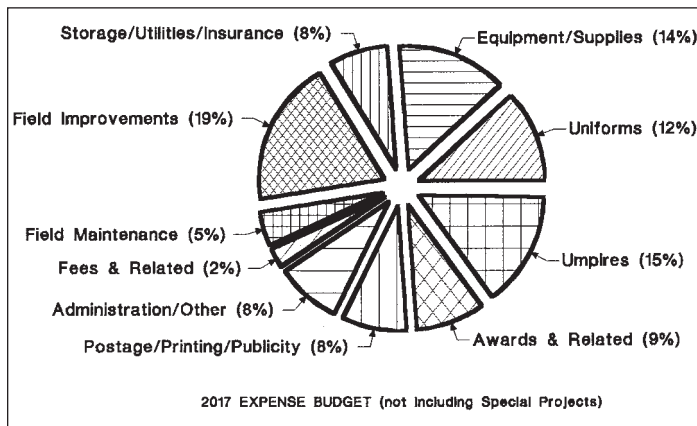
¹Reduced Injury Factor

²Innings pitched limits

USE OF FEES

The WYBSL is a non-profit organization and strives to “break-even” each year and then adjust fees accordingly to achieve this goal. In 2016, total league expenses were over \$225,000 and League Trustees pride themselves on proper stewardship of all fees.

In one area, WYBSL collects more than \$30,000 in Fields Fund fees — and 100% of your \$24 fee are placed in this fund. This fund is used for field maintenance, improvements, new fields and special projects. A summary of estimated 2017 expenses is shown below.



VOLUNTEER

Each year, over 600 dedicated volunteers help the WYBSL operate our program. No matter how little or much time you have available and no matter what skills or passion you have – we have place on our roster for you!

Some areas of service you might consider:

Registration Aides: Assist the Registration Director at walk-in sessions as well as processing registrations. Help is needed beginning in early-July through mid-August on a flexible basis.

League Coordinators: Work with the Program Director to insure communication between the league and coaches is clear and efficient. Coordinate uniform and equipment distribution, insure schedules are shared in a timely manner, and generally be a conduit between teams and coaches and the league.

Standings Coordinators: Insure game scores are reported accurately in a timely fashion. Compile and check standings and share with the league’s Webmaster for posting.

Concessions: Work with the Concession Director to schedule managers & volunteers and maintain stock in the concession trailers. Ideal for someone who has available time during the day!

Field Crew: Help check field conditions on weekends for make-up games. Work with the Fields Director to prepare fields for All Star Saturday and other special events.

Equipment Crew: Assist the Equipment Director in organizing inventory, preparing team bags and maintaining field boxes throughout the season!

Fall Ball Committee: Volunteers looking to learn and help the league in important operations – and possible greater, future responsibility – are encouraged to explore this opportunity. Help with registration, team selection, scheduling or day-to-day operations throughout the fall season.

Please visit www.wybsl.org and complete the Volunteer Survey, or contact Tim Carr at hr@wybsl.org to discuss how you can help!

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Please note, game times (except Tee-Ball) shift to 5PM in late September due to reduced daylight. Please see game schedules for details.

WHAT'S PROVIDED?

At all levels, the league supplies all team equipment necessary to play the game – bases, balls, helmets, bats, batting tee (tee-ball) and catcher's gear (coach-pitch and older). WYBSL also provides each player with a team shirt and cap or visor, which the player may keep. Each player must supply a fielder's glove, shoes and shorts or baseball pants (for boys at the Green Hat level and older, baseball pants are required). Your coach will probably ask that all players wear the same color of shorts or baseball pants. We ask that, if at all possible, you follow the request of the coach. Optional items, such as heart protectors or special masks, are not required and, if chosen, are the family's responsibility.

EQUIPMENT

We suggest a generic infielder or outfielder glove be your first purchase. Most importantly, make sure it is the right size for your player! In older leagues, pitcher's gloves cannot include white or gray. Softball gloves cannot be gray, white or optic (neon) in color.

For our Tee-Ball and Coach-Pitch leagues, gym shoes or baseball/softball shoes are fine. As players grow, we recommend baseball/softball shoes. Also, metal spikes are not allowed except in the Boys' Blue & Black Hat leagues.

We suggest strongly that parents consider that all boys wear cups for protection as they grow in the program. Catchers at Green Hat and older levels must wear one.

SPECIAL EVENTS



Team Photo Day — All teams and individual players are encouraged to take part in WYBSL's Photo Day, which will be on **Saturday, August 19th**, at your practice fields. Even if you don't wish to purchase a photo, your teammates would like a picture of the **whole team** as a remembrance. Coaches will provide order forms and time for this event.

Awards —All Tee-Ball and Coach-Pitch players receive a trophy at the end of the season. In all other leagues, trophies are awarded to league champions and runners-up.

BATS — IMPORTANT

One of the most distressing things that a parent or player can be told is that a personal bat can't be used because it is "illegal" – especially after it was just purchased last year! In order to avoid costly mistakes, here are some simple guidelines (generally for safety):

1. In Tee-Ball, the bats must be factory-marked "Tee-Ball" - or - "Little League" **and "1.15 BPF"** (boys) or "Softball" (girls).
2. In Girls Coach-Pitch, bats must be factory marked "Softball".
3. In all other Girls' softball leagues, bats must be factory marked "2000 or 2004 ASA".
4. In Boys' Coach-Pitch, Green Hat and Red Hat, the bats must be factory-marked "Little League" **and must also be factory-marked "1.15 BPF"**

A bat that is factory-marked "Tee-Ball" can only be used in our Tee-Ball leagues. A boy's bat that is factory-marked "Little League" and "1.15 BPF" can be used from Tee-Ball through Red Hat. A girl's bat that is factory-marked "2000 or 2004 ASA" can be used throughout the softball leagues.

5. When a boy plays Blue Hat or Black Hat ball, NFHS rules apply with one Blue Hat modification:
 - A non-wood bat must be 2 5/8" or less in diameter, 36" or less in length, with a -3 differential between length and weight. The BBCOR standard will also apply. Current and new NFHS bat rules can be found at www.nfhs.org.
 - In Blue Hat only, a bat less than 32" in length may be 2 5/8" in diameter and have a -5 length to weight differential and must be factory marked with the appropriate "1.15 BPF" label.

Most problems occur when Boys' Red Hat players graduate to Blue Hat. Many expensive bats can't be used – so when buying a bat for your older boys, **please be sure to check the Blue & Black Hat rules above**. And, call the League if you have any questions.

UMPIRES WANTED!

The WYBSL provides paid training for non-certified umpires to officiate our baseball and softball leagues for players 9-12 years old.

Umpires must be at least 15 years old, and start earning \$26 per game. ***Please contact Umpire Director John Paul at umpires@wybsl.org for more information.***

WYBSL FALL BALL REGISTRATION AND RELATED FORMS

(If paying by Credit or Debit Card, you may also register online at www.wybsl.org)

Please refer to the information in this newsletter and on the Web "Fall Ball FAQ" and "Fall Ball Flyer" for answers to commonly asked questions before completing any forms.

Information and forms in this section include:

- This instruction and checklist page
Volunteer Survey (below)
2017 Long Registration Form (for players who DID NOT play in a 2017 WYBSL Spring/Summer league) on Page 10.
2017 Short Registration Form (for players who DID play in a 2017 WYBSL Spring/Summer league) on Page 11.
2017 Fall Ball Play-Up Form (for players who wish to "play-up" from their normal playing age) on Page 11.
WYBSL Charge Authorization form on Page 12.

Please:

- Carefully complete all applicable forms, filling in all information required (incomplete forms will delay your child's acceptance and cause unnecessary volunteer time).
Determine the correct total fee for the league in which your child will play (or league you are applying for the player to "play-up" into).
If you are sending applications for three or more family members on or before July 17, please refer to the Family Plan rates, and include full fees for the two highest fee players - and only \$25 for each additional player.
If a player did not play in the WYBSL in 2016 or 2017, make a non-returnable copy of the player's Birth Certificate.

When you are finished, either:

- Bring all items to one of our walk-in registration sessions at the City Building at 64 E. Walnut Street (on Saturday, July 8 or July 15, anytime from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM).
Mail them to: WYBSL Fall Registration, 1087 Denman Court, Westerville, OH 43081-4595.
If paying by credit or debit card, you can also register online at www.wybsl.org.

PLEASE RETURN THIS VOLUNTEER SURVEY WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM or send as soon as possible to: Tim Carr, 125 South Knox Street, Westerville, OH 43081



WYBSL VOLUNTEER SURVEY (Please check all that apply - this survey covers current and future service)

Player's Name: _____ League: _____
Dad's Name: _____ Mom's Name: _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Telephone: (____) _____
E-mail Address: _____ E-mail Address: _____

- I/We would like to help the WYBSL in the areas listed during the 2017 Fall Ball season.
I/We would like to help the WYBSL in the areas listed during the 2018 spring/summer season.

LEAGUE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS

Grid of checkboxes for volunteer roles: Board of Trustees, League General Manager, League Coordinator (Assistant GM), League Umpire Coordinator, Standings / Scores / Statistics Coordinator, All-Star Games Committee, Concessions Committee, Concession Stand Stocker or Worker, Equipment Committee, Fall Ball Committee, Field Preparation Committee (weekends), Fund-Raising/Donations Committee, Human Resources (Volunteers) Committee, Parade (July 4) Committee, Public Relations (Publicity) Committee, Registration/e-Registration Task Force, Special Events Committee.

I'd like to help, but I'm not sure how. Please contact me to discuss my possible commitment.

PAID UMPIRE POSITION (for Green Hat Leagues or older)

Green and Red Hat (you must be 15 or older) Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Blue Hat and Black Hat (you must be Certified) Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

WESTERVILLE YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL LEAGUE **2017 FALL BALL REGISTRATION**
 Coed TB Boys: BCP6 BCP7 BGH BRH BBH BBKH Girls: GCP GGH GRH GBH

PARENT(S) / GUARDIAN(S) INFORMATION

<p>FATHER <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Contact</p> <p>Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ ZipCode: _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____ E-Mail Address: _____ Occupation: _____ Company: _____</p>	<p>MOTHER <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Contact</p> <p>Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ ZipCode: _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____ E-Mail Address: _____ Occupation: _____ Company: _____</p>
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Father: I offer to volunteer as: Head Coach Ass't. Coach Umpire Scorekeeper Other _____
 Mother: I offer to volunteer as: Head Coach Ass't. Coach Umpire Scorekeeper Other _____

PLAYER INFORMATION

Boy Girl Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/___
 Name of School/Pre-School (Fall, 2017): _____ Grade: _____
 From Aug. 7 to Oct. 15, will you have recurring schedule conflicts: No Sch. Sports Soccer _____
 Skill Level (Check One): First Time Fair Average Good Very Good Is a: Pitcher Catcher
 Did you play any baseball/softball **this Spring/Summer**? Yes No; If Yes, in what league? _____
One Friend to Play With (if possible): 1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____
 Comments: _____

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT MUST BE READ BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN AND SIGNED PRIOR TO CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WYBSL PROGRAM.

The undersigned parent or legal guardian, in consideration of the acceptance of their child as a participant in the Westerville Youth Baseball and Softball League (WYBSL) does hereby: 1) Agree to assume any and all risk and liabilities incidental to active participation in WYBSL by such child; 2) Agree to indemnify, defend and hold WYBSL, its trustees, staff officers, coaches, officials and all volunteer workers harmless from and against any claim, demand and liability for any injury, property damage and loss or damage to personal property; 3) Acknowledge and understand that no medical insurance is maintained by WYBSL, such insurance being the sole responsibility of each participant; and 4) Agree that prior medical or health problems must be disclosed by them to WYBSL in writing prior to any child being assigned to a team. **I also understand that neither last Fall's nor this Spring/Summer's teams are kept together in Fall Ball.**

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: X _____ Date: _____

REFUND POLICY: In order to request and receive a refund, a parent or guardian must send an e-mail message to WYBSL@WYBSL.ORG (with the word REFUND in the subject line) – reporting the player's name, league, date and reason for withdrawal. If the withdrawal is reported: (1) By July 20, a full refund will be given; (2) By July 30, a \$25 processing fee will be charged; (3) On or after July 31, there shall be no refund.

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FOR LEAGUE USE ONLY Registrar: _____

Birth Certificate: Not Needed – Played in 2016 or 2017 Reviewed by Registrar Still Needed in Order to Play

Total Paid: \$ _____ Cash Check # _____ Credit/Debit Card (Attach Authorization) Date: ___/___/___

PLEASE USE THE SHORT REGISTRATION FORM BELOW ONLY IF YOU PLAYED IN A WYBSL 2017 SPRING/SUMMER LEAGUE



WYBSL 2017 FALL BALL REGISTRATION **TO BE USED ONLY BY WYBSL SPRING/SUMMER PLAYERS**

If you played in a WYBSL league this spring/summer, complete this form and attach a check payable to WYBSL.
 Regular Registration Postmark Deadline is July 17; Please add a \$30 Late Fee if postmarked after July 17.
 (Please attach a note if your address or phone has changed since spring registration or you wish to offer your help with Fall Ball)

Player's Name: _____ Preferred Telephone: (_____) _____

Coed: Tee-Ball 4-5 (\$65)

Boys: C-P 6 (\$86) C-P 7 (\$86) Green Hat 8-9 (\$91) Red Hat 10-11 (\$96) Blue Hat 12-13 (\$101) Black Hat 14-17 (\$126)

Girls: Coach Pitch 6-7 (\$86) Green Hat 8-9 (\$91) Red Hat 10-11 (\$96) Blue Hat 12-15 (\$101)

One Friend to Play With (if possible): 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____

From August 7 to October 15, will you have recurring schedule conflicts? No School Sports Soccer _____

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT EXTENSION: The undersigned parent or legal guardian, in consideration of the acceptance of their child as a Fall Ball participant, does hereby agree that the terms and conditions of the Hold Harmless Agreement signed for the Spring/Summer League are extended to apply during the Fall Program. I understand that neither last Fall's nor this Spring/Summer's teams are kept together in Fall Ball.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: X _____ Date: _____

Father - I offer to volunteer as: Head Coach Assistant Coach Umpire Scorekeeper Other _____

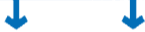
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PLEASE USE THE LONG REGISTRATION FORM AT LEFT IF YOU DID NOT PLAY IN A WYBSL 2017 SPRING/SUMMER LEAGUE



Send all forms and fees to: WYBSL FALL BALL REGISTRATION 1087 Denman Court Westerville, OH 43081-4595

PLEASE INCLUDE THE "PLAY-UP FORM" BELOW WITH ANY REGISTRATION IF REQUESTING TO "PLAY-UP" To play up to the next level, conditions listed on the form MUST be met before playing. See Page 4!



2017 FALL BALL PLAY-UP FORM
IMPORTANT! IF YOU WISH TO "PLAY-UP" AT THE NEXT HIGHER LEVEL ...

Please make certain that your check includes the correct amount. Fees listed are registration fees only and do not include the \$24 Fields Fund Fee, if applicable. **THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED EACH SEASON IN ORDER TO PLAY-UP!**

Player: _____ Preferred Telephone: (_____) _____

Boys' Baseball Leagues:
 Normal League: Tee-Ball Coach-Pitch 6 Coach-Pitch 7 Green Hat Red Hat
 "Play-Up" to: C-P 6 (\$86) C-P 7 (\$86) Green Hat (\$91) Red Hat (\$96) Blue Hat (\$101)

Girls' Softball Leagues:
 Normal League: Tee-Ball Coach-Pitch Green Hat Red Hat
 "Play-Up" to: Coach-Pitch (\$86) Green Hat (\$91) Red Hat (\$96) Blue Hat (\$101)

As the player's parent/guardian, I hereby petition the WYBSL to allow him/her to play at the next higher level. I understand that the WYBSL staff has sole discretion in this matter and will only allow this move after July 17: (1) on a space-available basis; and (2a) if the player has played in the same higher age division before, or (2b) if, after a mandatory skill assessment session (to be attended on either Wednesday, July 12 or Tuesday, July 25), the staff feels that the player is able to compete readily at the higher level. If, after such skill assessment, the staff does not believe that the player should "play-up", there is no assurance that a space will be available at the player's normal age level at that time.

Signature: _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____

WEATHER POLICY



The safety of our players and damage to fields that might affect future games should be primary concerns of all WYBSL participants. Below is the Weather Policy:

Rain — Prior to a scheduled game, only the WYBSL Fields Director (or other WYBSL designee) has the authority to cancel a game. If timing is possible, the league will announce the day’s field conditions on the Weather Hot Line (614) 523-6220 and Twitter page @WYBSLalerts. However, if conditions are marginal – or if rain occurs after one and one-half hours before game time, teams should go to their field. At that point, and throughout the game, the authority to stop play rests with the umpires and WYBSL staff. Games may be resumed at any time within 30 minutes of stoppage, if fields are playable.

Lightning/Thunder — If the City’s Lightning Prediction System covers a field of play, when there is the possibility of lightning, one continuous horn burst is sounded and all games and practices must stop and fields will be cleared. An all-clear is signaled by three short bursts.

Whether a lightning prediction system is present or not, if lightning is sighted or thunder is heard, umpires will immediately clear the field and dugout; if sighted by one umpire in a multiple diamond location, all fields will be cleared. Games may resume no less than 20 minutes after the last lightning sighting or thunder is heard, if fields are playable.

Playability — If a game is stopped during play, players and fans should move to shelter or cars and wait for a notice from the umpire or WYBSL staff. The final decision regarding playability rests with the umpires (in a multiple diamond location, umpires may consult each other if field conditions are marginal).

In the case of practices, Head Coaches are responsible for following the weather policy. For all Coach-Pitch and Tee-Ball games, Head Coaches are jointly responsible for following league policy.

Make-Ups — If a game cannot be played or completed, the league will reschedule it as soon as possible. Usually, your make-ups for the week will be played on Sunday afternoon and/or Monday. And, once scheduled – the make-up game will be played or considered a forfeit.

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Contact Judy Wells; Fall Ball Chair
(Judypoooh@sbcglobal.net)

ADOPT-A-BALL



Huber Village "Memory Wall"



Commemorate your "all star" or thank your coach on the "Memory Wall". Visit <http://wybsl.org/about/adopt-a-ball/> to order yours!

LOOK FOR "THE SHIRTS"



WYBSL key personnel on the fields will again be wearing blue golf shirts, jackets or caps with the WYBSL logo.

So – when you're at the fields and need information about the program that your coach can't supply – or wish to share ideas or concerns – just **look for "the shirts"**.

FALL BALL FAQs

What's included in my fees?

Besides the practices and games themselves, each player receives a team shirt and cap or visor. WYBSL provides all field and team equipment needed to play the game – bases, bats, helmets, balls, batting tee (tee-ball) and catcher's gear (coach-pitch leagues and older). Each player must supply a fielder's glove, shoes and shorts or baseball pants.

What's a 'Fields Fund' fee and do we have to pay it?

Once each calendar year, each player must pay a Fields Fund fee of \$24. If paid during Spring/Summer registration, it does not need to be paid again during Fall registration. 100% of this fee is placed in a special fund that is and will be used for field improvements, maintenance and special projects.

We missed the regular registration deadline – can my child still participate?

Registration is on a 'first-come, first-served' space-available basis. But, if space is available (and usually is), there is a \$30 late registration penalty.

How do I determine my child's 'Playing Age'?

Your child's 'Playing Age' is his/her age on April 30 of the current calendar year.

How old must my child be to play Tee-Ball?

Generally, the Fall Tee-Ball program is for children who are Playing Age 4 and 5. If space is available, and with League approval, we allow children who are Playing Age 3 if their 4th birthday is within a month of April 30 (if the player is 4 by May 31).

Does WYBSL honor 'carpooling' or 'ride-share' requests?

No, carpooling requests have been abused over the years as a way to try to get children onto the same team. This interferes with the league's efforts to evenly distribute players based upon skill levels (Green Hat and older) and neighborhood (Tee-Ball and Coach-Pitch).

My daughter/son "played up" in the spring. Do they need to attend the play-up assessment?

Not if they played in the same higher age division before (2016 Fall or 2017 Spring/Summer), but you must still submit a Play-up form.

COACHES AND UMPIRES

COACHES – Skill development and sportsmanship along with patience and respect are basic to WYBSL's mission and purpose – and are fundamental to being a good coach. We could not conduct our leagues without the many fine adult leaders who wish to positively impact our youth by offering their knowledge of the game along with a desire to teach some life skills along the way.

WYBSL has programs and resources to help our coaches develop and grow in their service to our young people. And, because the safety and security of our participants are critical, WYBSL conducts criminal background checks on All Coaches, League Trustees and managers. If you would like to volunteer to be a coach, please check the appropriate box on the registration form or speak to a League volunteer leader.

UMPIRES – Certified umpires are used in the Black Hat and Blue Hat leagues. Volunteer parents umpire at the Tee-Ball and Coach-Pitch levels. League-trained, paid officials are used in the Green Hat and Red Hat leagues.

Please consider offering to "be a blue". You must be 15 years of age or older to be a League Umpire. For further information, please contact John Paul, WYBSL's Umpire Director at umpires@wybsl.org.

CONCUSSIONS

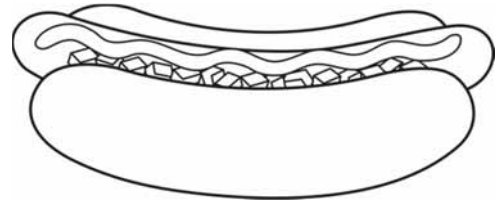
Concussions are a serious concern in all youth sports. In Ohio, the law requires the league to insure all coaches and umpires complete designated training as well as provide information to all parents. Concussion training is free and can be done online. For training requirements and information for parents as required by law, please visit www.wybsl.org.

SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT



The WYBSL would like to thank Dick's Sporting Goods for their generous support that helps fund a scholarship program to help assure more eligible players (who reside within the Westerville City School District) can participate in our League, regardless of financial circumstances.

CONCESSION CAPTAINS WANTED!



The WYBSL operates concession services at Huber Village, Metzger and Towers Park to help busy parents get food and drinks conveniently during scheduled games.

Training is provided and duties include opening/closing the trailers, cooking, taking inventory and stocking. A friendly, service oriented personality is required!

Concession Captains must be at least 18 years old and start earning \$10 per hour. ***Please contact Concessions Director Bill Krisley at food@wybsl.org for more information.***

WEATHER FORECASTING

We don't do it. Even the TV pros mess it up. A frequent frustration among parents is the changing weather and its effects on our game scheduling and weather hotline.

Challenges may occur after Weather Hotline updates. From experience, we've learned the weather can be very different in one part of Westerville vs. another. We also don't try to predict conditions based on forecasts (they always guess wrong). Make-up games are tough, so we always try our best to keep schedules, but are at the mercy of Mother Nature!

Based on the above, and knowing families are "moving" towards the fields after the 4PM hotline updates, we seldom make hotline changes that can't be quickly & confidently made. We don't mean to drag families to games only to see them canceled, but with the uncertainty of weather, it's sometimes best to leave it to those at the fields to decide whether to play or not. We appreciate your understanding of our efforts to maintain this balance – and, if you're a weather savant, let us know – we've got a spot for you!

CONDUCT RULE

Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated in the league. Team coaches are responsible for their conduct and the conduct of their players and fans. A coach, player or fan can be ejected from a game and/or removed from the playing field area by order of an umpire, Fall Ball Committee Member or WYBSL Trustee if they violate a league rule of conduct, as follows:

- A. In a game, no coach may utilize any player(s) not currently assigned to his/her team roster by the League. Violation of this rule will result in automatic permanent suspension of the coach(es) involved.
- B. No coach, player or fan shall ever engage in a physical altercation with any player, umpire, coach or fan.
- C. No coach, player or fan shall intentionally violate or refuse to follow any league or game rules.
- D. No coach, player, umpire or fan shall come to the playing field under the influence of alcohol or an illegal drug; and no coach, player or umpire shall use tobacco products at the playing field during a game or practice.
- E. No coach, player or fan shall engage in grossly unsportsmanlike conduct, including, but not limited to, throwing equipment, use of profanity, arguing with an umpire over a call or directing remarks to a player, umpire, coach or fan which are of a degrading or distracting nature.
- F. Only the Head Coach, or his/her designee in the Head Coach's absence, may leave his/her designated area to dispute a judgment call by an umpire. This infraction may be penalized by either restricting to the dugout for the remainder of the game or ejecting the Head Coach and/or the offending coach.
- G. After each game, in the practice of good sportsmanship, **all** coaches and players shall form two opposing lines and proceed through a traditional, orderly "handshake line". No coach or player shall avoid participation in this line or exhibit unsportsmanlike conduct in the line.
- H. No coach, player, parent or fan shall, at any time, threaten, intimidate, attempt to intimidate, harm or attempt to harm, any umpire, player, coach, WYBSL official or fan. Any person who violates this rule may immediately be banned from all WYBSL sites and activities for a period of time to be determined by the Board of Trustees, up to and including a permanent ban. This rule shall be applied regardless of where and when the offending conduct takes place.

If a coach, player or fan is ejected from a game and/or removed from the playing field area for conduct as described above (or in the case of G. above, does not participate as described), the person shall provide a written statement describing his/her version of the events and/or other explanation to the Committee within twenty-four hours of the incident, and may not attend or participate in any practice or game until doing so.

The Committee or Program Director shall review the statement and gather any other information from other parties that they deem necessary to determine if a further penalty should be assessed. Such further penalty, if any, shall be assessed before the team's next scheduled game.

Any coach who violates the above guidelines may be immediately removed from his/her position by the Committee. In the event of such an occurrence, each coach would be provided with the opportunity to appear before the Board of Trustees at its next scheduled meeting in order to describe for the Board his/her version of the events which may exist for reinstating the coach.

Dinner at the Ballpark!



These days, everybody is busy and rushing to the evening games to enjoy a game. When it's game time at Huber Village, Metzger or Towers Park, how about some great food from WYBSL's own concession service?

Whether you want a hot dog, cheeseburger...or an icy cold beverage or ice cream treat...or some peanuts or candy...our concession stands are the places to be!

And remember, all net proceeds go to the WYBSL Fields Fund!

SPORTSMANSHIP

We expect excellent sportsmanship in our leagues – and work hard to make sure it happens. The WYBSL is blessed that there are very few incidents of negative conduct each year.

Sportsmanship has a lot of parts – attitude, intensity, commitment and the way we interact with each other. And good sportsmanship is the responsibility of all of us – especially the examples set by coaches and parents.

We expect all players, coaches and fans to respect the work of our umpires. Understand that our younger and less experienced umpires officiate in the Green and Red Hat leagues and may make mistakes while learning.

We need everyone's help to make sure that the WYBSL experience is a great one for all players. Please direct your "enthusiasm" toward positive encouragement.

If you observe negative conduct, excessive "intensity" or willful violations of the rules on the part of anyone – speak to your coach or, if appropriate, call your Program Director or the WYBSL answering service (614) 523-6101 immediately. The league will review the basis of your concern in a confidential manner and, if warranted, deal with such conduct fairly, but swiftly.

ALL STAR SATURDAY

Please join us for one of the WYBSL's favorite traditions – our All Star games and Home Run Derbies! Huber Village and Highland Parks host these events on July 1st (rain date 7/2) for Coach-Pitch and older leagues. Complete schedules will be posted prior on our website.

There aren't many things better than enjoying a day watching ball games at some of our community's beautiful parks while enjoying a hot dog, ice cream and cold refreshment.

Participants receive All Star jerseys and an All Star team picture taken prior to the games. It's a great family event and we hope to see you there!

EARN EXTRA CASH

Work in the fresh air helping the WYBSL, while making some "green" for your time. Although the League relies on the efforts of more than 600 volunteers during the year, there are two types of paid positions you might consider exploring.

League Umpires. Fees range from \$26 to \$60 and fall into two categories:

- Adults and high school students (15 or older) for our Green Hat and Red Hat baseball and softball leagues.
- OHSAA certified officials for our Blue and Black Hat leagues.

For additional information, please contact Umpire Director John Paul at umpires@wybsl.org.

Concession "Captains". Be a chef and manage the concession trailer at Huber Village or Towers Park. Fees start at \$10 per hour.

Fall season days vary Monday thru Friday from 4:30 - 8:30 and weekends based upon schedules.

For more information, please contact Concessions Director Bill Knisely at food@wybsl.org.

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Please be sure to visit WYBSL's website all season long for updates including:

- Schedules
- Make-up Games
- Announcements
- Results & Standings
- Special Events

You can also follow us!



Additional copies of this newsletter may also be found at the Westerville Community Center and Public Library

CONTACT

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PARKING AT OUR PARKS

Please be cautious and considerate when parking:

- Park only in designated areas
- Do not park on drives – this may impede safety vehicles!
- Respect park neighbors – use walk-ways and do not cut between houses

Huber Village Park

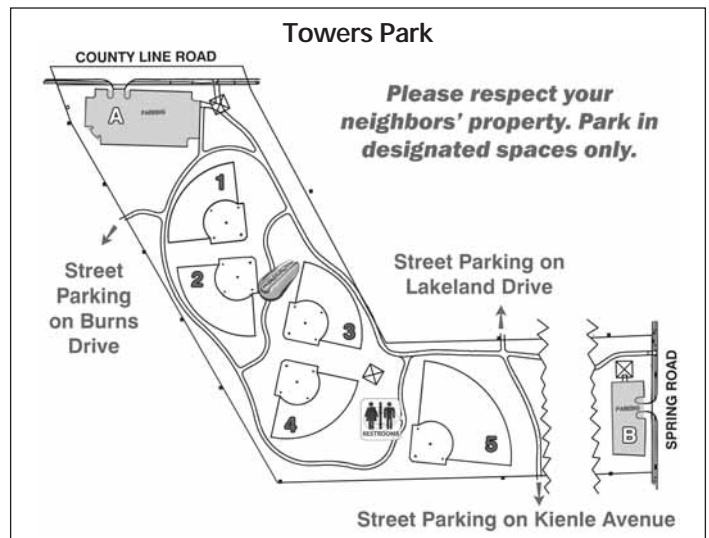
- Please obey No Parking signs on drive

Towers Park

- Do not park beyond turf parking cones
- There are lots on County Line (incl. turf parking) and Spring Road (see diagram at right).

Metzger Park (spring/summer only)

- Turf parking is only behind Field #1





WYBSL SUMMER/FALL CALENDAR

This calendar is by no means a complete listing – and dates and times are subject to change. Please check our website (www.wybsl.org) or ask your coaches to share changes and additional dates with you as the season progresses.

JUNE

Fri 23	Last Day to turn in raffle tickets
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JULY

During Month	Summer Post-Season Tournaments For Coach-Pitch and Older Leagues
Sat 1	* All Star Games & Home Run Derbies * Coach-Pitch / Red / Green / Blue / Black Hat (Rain Date: Sunday, July 2)
Tue 4	Walk or Ride with the WYBSL in the Westerville Independence Day Parade
Sat 8 Sat 15	FALL BALL WALK-IN REGISTRATION 64 E. Walnut Street: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Wed 12 Tue 25	Mandatory Play-Up Assessment Sessions For Players Requesting to Play-Up in Age Huber Village Park: 6:00 PM
Mon 17	Regular Fall Registration Postmark Deadline

AUGUST

Sat 5	Fall Ball Meeting For Coaches Mt. Carmel/St. Ann's: 8:30 – 10:30 AM
By Mon 7	Players Notified of Team Assignments All Leagues
Week of Aug 6	Team Practices Begin (Tee-Ball Practices Begin on August 14)
Sat 19	Team Photo Day at Practice Fields
Sat 26	Fall Leagues Begin Game Play (Tee-Ball Games Begin on September 9)

OCTOBER

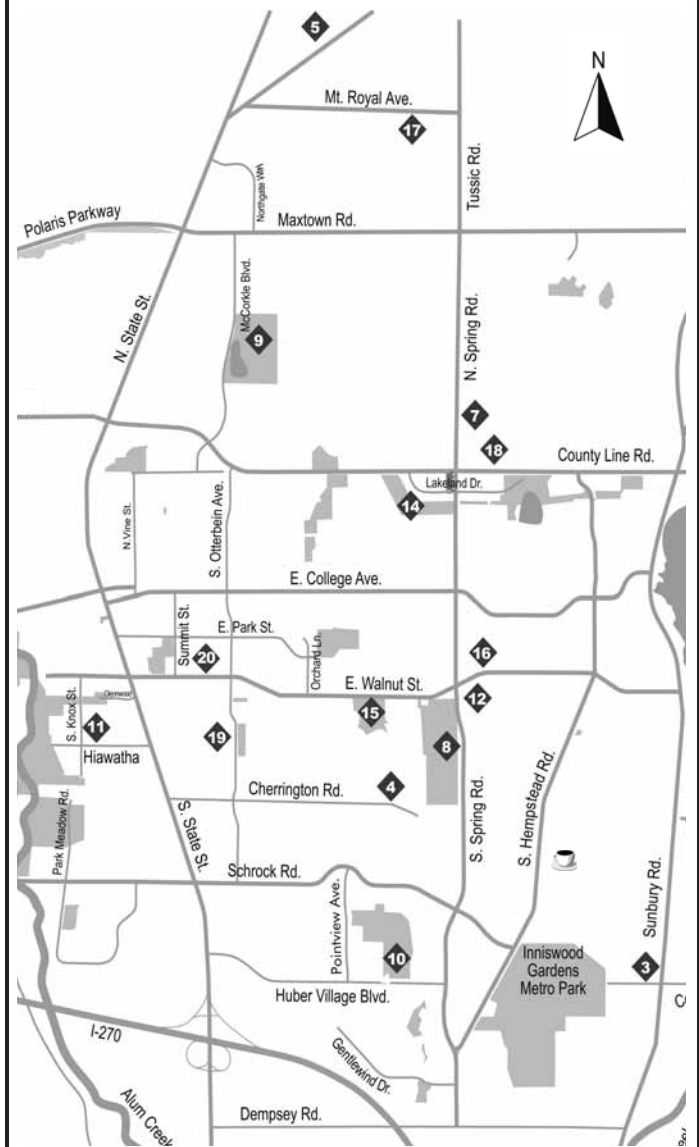
Sun 15	Fall Leagues Complete
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NOVEMBER

Sat 4	Fall Ball Coaches Evaluation Meeting WYBSL Annual Meeting and Elections
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WATCH FOR 2018 SPRING INFO IN FEBRUARY!

WYBSL FALL FIELD LOCATIONS



Key	Park/School	# of Fields	Location
3	Central College School	1	825 S. Sunbury Rd.
4	Cherrington School	1	522 Cherrington Rd.
5	Genoa Middle School	2	5948 Old 3C Hwy.
7	Heritage Middle School	1	390 N. Spring Rd.
8	Highlands Park	4	245 S. Spring Rd.
9	Hoff Woods Park	1	556 McCorkle Blvd.
10	Huber Village Park	8	362 Huber Village Blvd.
11	Longfellow School	1	120 Hiawatha Ave.
12	Mark Twain School	1	799 E. Walnut St.
14	Towers Park	5	161 N. Spring Rd.
15	Walnut Ridge Park	3	529 E. Walnut St.
16	Walnut Springs Middle School	1	888 E. Walnut St.
17	Westerville Central HS	1	7118 Mt. Royal Ave.
18	Westerville North HS	1	950 County Line Rd.
19	Westerville South HS	1	303 S Otterbein Ave.
20	Whittier School	1	130 E. Walnut St.

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE
JULY 17TH POSTMARK

WHEN DO WE PRACTICE & PLAY

	<i>Practices</i>	<i>Games</i>	<i>Make-Up Games</i>
Start	Week of August 6 th (except Tee-Ball)	Saturday, August 26 th (Tee-Ball: Sept. 9 th)	As needed; will be communicated to Coaches and also posted on our website
Days	Same as "Playing Nights" (see pg. 6)	"Playing Nights" as stated in league descriptions on pg. 6	Sundays and Mondays
Frequency	2-3 times/week (practices limited after season start)	Generally 1 weeknight & 1 weekend day (incl. Labor Day weekend)	As needed
Time	Weeknights: 5:30-7PM or 7-8:30PM Saturdays: vary	Weeknights: 5:00/5:30PM Saturdays: vary	Sundays: Noon or later Mondays: 5:00/5:30PM

Weather Hotline (614) 523-6220: updated on **game nights ONLY** by 4PM, 8:00AM on Saturdays & 11AM Sundays. Field changes, if necessary, are also posted here. The League will generally not give further updates on weekdays, but may do so on weekends if conditions change and allow for alerts regarding later games.

Make-up games: WYBSL schedules 12 games for each team (8 in Tee-Ball) and assures a minimum of 10 games are played (6 in Tee-Ball). WYBSL will reschedule as many make-up games as possible during the season.

Make-up weeks: Saturday through Thursday. For example, a Thursday night rain-out will be made up 3-4 days later on Sunday or Monday. A Saturday rain-out will be made up 8-9 days later on the following Sunday or Monday.