

LZBSA Cougar Travel Baseball

Thursday 8/12/10

LZHS

Cougar Program Overview

- Goal
 - Field competitive LZBSA full-time travel teams while emphasizing player development
 - Play more games against similar skilled teams when compared to house
- Teams/Ages
 - 10U, 11U, 12U will have one team each
 - 13U and 14U will have up to two teams each depending on talent level
- Player selection - Most qualified players, based upon:
 - Travel tryout (August 22) evaluation results
 - Post season, prior season mgr feedback
- Leagues:
 - McHenry County Baseball League (MCBL): Lake and McHenry teams
 - Mid-Suburban Baseball League (MSBL): Cook and DuPage teams
- Eligibility
 - All players 10 – 14 or under by April 30th.
 - Kids with birthdays 5/1 – 8/31 can “play down” a level, potentially trying out for two age groups
 - Example: 7/19/1999 birth date, Is eligible to play on the 12U or 11U teams
- Season
 - Practices (Jan – April)
 - Season (April – mid July)

Part Time Travel (North 60) Overview

- Goal
 - Field competitive LZBSA part-time travel teams with goal of increased player development, by playing more games against competitive teams
- Description
 - Formation of a house league part time travel team that will play ~10 games against teams from other towns
 - Players will practice and play on a house league team as they currently do
 - House league games have priority
 - Teams will likely have 12-15 players to compensate for house league schedule conflicts
- Teams/Ages
 - 10, 11, 12 yr age groups
 - 13yr/14yr may be combined depending on interest and other teams
- Player selection - Most qualified players, based upon:
 - Part-Time tryout (Fall 2010) evaluation results
 - Post season, prior season mgr feedback
- Leagues:
 - North 60 part-time travel league (eg. Barrington, Palatine, Gurney, etc)
- Eligibility
 - All players 10 – 14 or under by 8/31 (same as house league)
 - Player registered in house league baseball
- Season
 - Practices (Feb– April)
 - Season (April – July)

Boys Baseball Option Summary

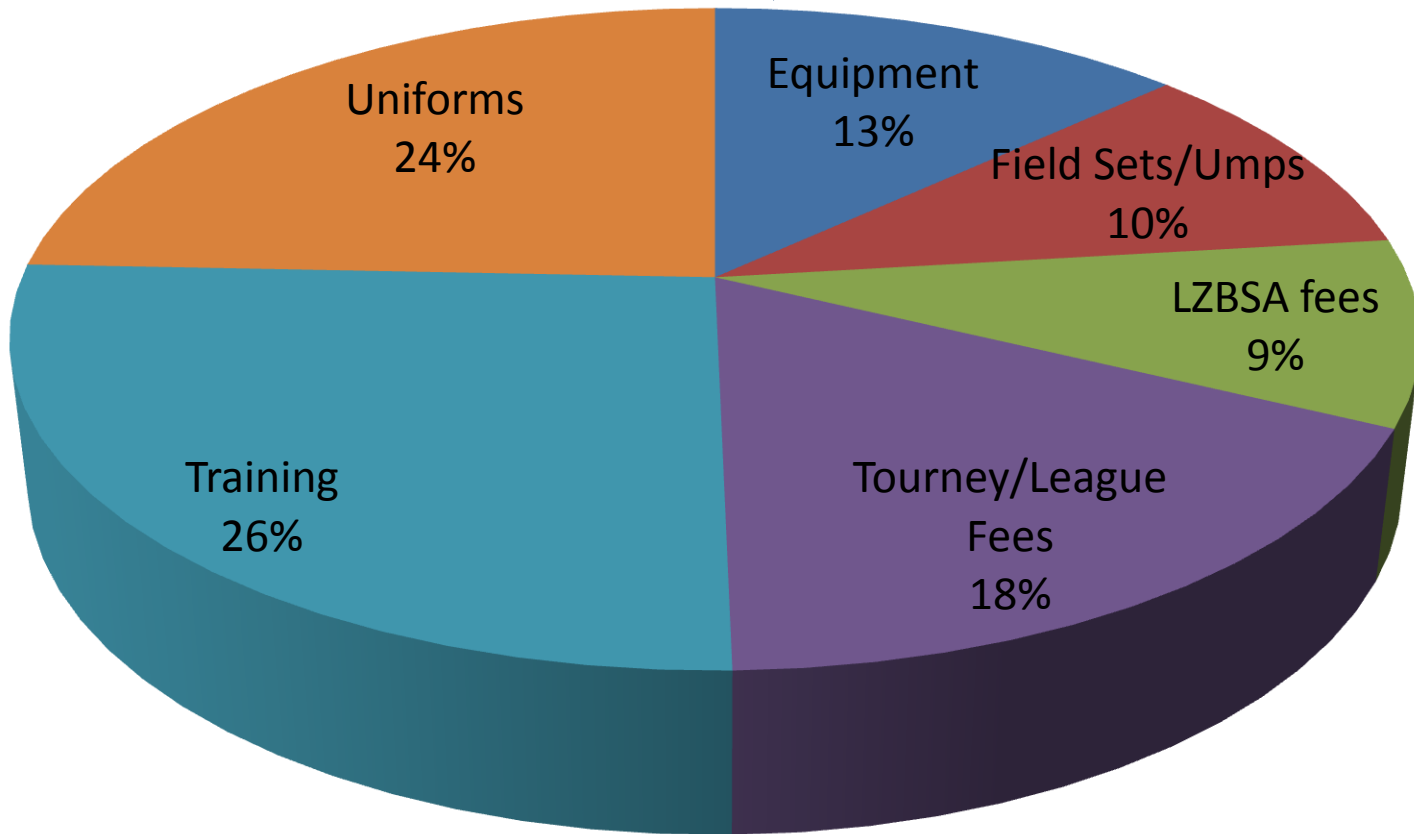
	Cougars Travel	Part Time Travel (New)	House League
Program Goal	Provide competitive baseball with player development emphasis	Provide increased competition and player development with modest cost and time.	Focus on fun with player development, and competition at lowest cost and time
Games Played	40 – 65 games 20 - 25: conference 15 – 25: tournaments 5 – 10: other	24 – 47 games 14 - 20: house 10 – 15 N60 League 9 - 12 post season	14 – 32 games 14 – 20 house 9 - 12 post season
Estimated Cost	\$900 - \$1400 \$650 registration \$200 - \$1000 travel exp. \$400 - \$800 fund raising	\$340 - \$600 \$125 - \$150 N60 League \$210 - \$240 house \$200 post season	\$210 - \$450 \$210 - \$240 house \$200 post-season
Time Commitment	<u>Practices:</u> 2/wk (Jan – Mar) <u>Games:</u> 2-5/wk (Apr–mid Jul) <u>Volunteer:</u> Fundraising, Team activities, Coaching	<u>Practices:</u> 1-2/wk (Feb-Mar) <u>Games:</u> 3/wk (May-June), 3-5/wk in July for postseason <u>Volunteer:</u> Coaching	<u>Practices:</u> 1-2/wk (Feb-Mar) <u>Games:</u> 2/wk (May-June), 3-5/wk in July for postseason <u>Volunteer:</u> Coaching
Age/Eligibility	10U-14U (Age on April 30 or younger)	10-14yr olds, house league rules, age at 8/31	9-14yr olds, house league rules, age at 8/31

Sample Travel Team Budget

Budget ~ \$13,000

\$7000 – Player Registrations

\$6000 – Team Fundraising



Questions?