

# **Titans OP Baseball Team Information**

Age Group: 9U in Fall '25 & Spring '26

Coach: Ryan Lengyel

## **Team Structure and Philosophy**

The Titans OP Baseball Team will be competitive. Playing time will be earned, and players will be evaluated based on performance and commitment. That said, *winning is not our focus*. Player development, character, and teamwork will always come first, and winning will ultimately take care of itself.

Our coaching philosophy is rooted in four core principles:

- 1. Give 100% effort at all times and play with intensity
- 2. Be focused, listen actively, stay positive, and be coachable
- 3. Show strong character and responsibility on and off the field
- 4. Be a good teammate—*Team First, Me Second*

We will hold our players to high standards, but always with respect. We will push them to grow, never tear them down.

Our coaching staff will be five dads who are excited and willing to invest their time in coaching this team.

- Ryan Lengyel Head Coach
- Ryan Bader Assistant Coach
- Jon Pestinger First Base Coach
- Tyler Hensley –Bench Coach
- Aaron Cook Pitching Coach

With zero coaching fees to pay, this is the most affordable option to play competitive baseball while still having time to participate in other sports and activities.

#### Cost

Final costs per player are subject to change as Blue Valley Rec and the Golden Glove Baseball League release updated information:

- Fall (2025) Registration Fee \$105.00
- Spring (2026) Registration Fee \$170.00 (approximate cost)
- Tournaments \$240.00 (approximate cost assumes six total tournaments a year)
- Team Equipment \$100.00 per player (\$50 for fall and \$50 for spring)
- Uniform \$300.00 (includes two jersey tops, one pair of pants, one belt, one pair of socks, one hat, one team helmet)
  - Cost for Fall = \$455.00 per player (does not include tournament or spring fees)
  - Approx. Cost for Spring = \$220.00 per player (does not include tournament fees)

## **Payments**

Payment in full up front is preferred. Please let me know if you need assistance, and we can work out a solution.

Any additional, unforeseen team costs will be communicated as promptly and accurately as possible.

#### **Time Commitment**

If invited to join the team, the commitment is for the 2025-2026 season (fall and spring). We do not expect baseball to be the only activity your son is involved in. However, we kindly request that you prioritize baseball when evaluating conflicts during the spring and fall seasons.

### **Tournaments**

We plan to participate in 1-2 tournaments during the fall season and 2-3 during the spring season. The costs of the tournaments will be communicated promptly and accurately with as much advance notice as possible.

#### **Practice**

Practices will start the week of August 4<sup>th</sup> for the fall season. We will hold one team practice each week. Additionally, optional weekly hitting and pitching sessions will be available for those interested and available to attend.

Looking ahead to the spring, we plan to increase our commitment with two mandatory team practices per week, in addition to separate hitting and pitching practices. Although some spring details are still being finalized, this schedule reflects our current expectations based on the available information.

# **Player Positions**

We do not recruit for specific positions. Players are encouraged to play all positions so that coaches can help develop skills that need improvement.

## **Roster Size**

We aim to have 12 players on our roster. This allows for a sufficient buffer, enabling players to miss games due to conflicts while ensuring everyone receives enough playing time.

If you have any additional questions that are not answered above, please don't hesitate to contact Coach Ryan (913)742-2550 or ryan@crgkc.com