

Dear Fall League Player,

Congratulations on your entry to the Perfect Game Fall Wood Bat League. The interest from across the state has been outstanding as the league continues to grow in popularity! The Perfect Game leagues are a great way to get extra games against good competition in both the Spring and Fall. Attached with this letter are the league rosters and schedule. Also included is a list of guidelines for each player, along with our expectations for the league and its players.

This fall each team has 24 games of league play. The weather in the fall usually cooperates and it's typically the best weather to play baseball in. Players should take advantage of this and get some work in during the week to prepare them for each weekend. Also, pitchers should throw a mid-week bullpen to stay sharp and keep their arm in shape. Players should try and get to the first weekend of games about an hour ahead of time to get their shirt and hat. The fall season is the time for every player to work on their individual game and to try new things that will make them better ball players.

Our job at Perfect Game is to evaluate and promote baseball players. At every single game, a Perfect Game Scout will be keeping the official scorebook. On every score sheet, rows and columns are set aside for scouts to write notes about every single player. The job of the scouts is to gather as much information about every player as they can. Both positive and negative comments are taken on players. Pro scouts and over 1500 schools rely on Perfect Game for information on players. We have the best reputation amongst the decision makers across the country because of our honesty in reporting and our experience seeing the top players across the country.

Conflicts come up over the course of a 6 week season with homecoming, family commitments, etc. In order to run a first class league we need to have players or parents let us know when these conflicts arise. The worst thing that can happen we lose games and innings because kids didn't notify us of an upcoming absence. We can make arrangements if we know a few days in advance of an absence. Your coach will give you his contact information so you can contact him with any conflicts that may arise.

Every attempt will be made to get equal playing time, at bats, and innings for pitchers. If you would like more playing time at a certain position, let your coach know and he will be happy to try and accommodate your request. Sometimes you may have to play a position that is not your primary position. Use that as an opportunity to show our scouts you are a versatile player and also use that as a chance to learn more about the game.

Hopefully this fall we won't experience inclement weather, but if there are any weather related delays or cancellations, please check the World Wood Bat website for any information. Make it a habit to check the schedule page before every weekend to make sure sites haven't moved. For instance, a conflict came up at Marion High School for this Saturday and we switched some games around and sites around to make sure everyone will get their games in. It is the players responsibility to check the website and be aware of the changes. We will also set up a phone line to call with weather related information as well. This number is 319.261.0649. We hope that every player has an extremely positive experience in the Fall League and that each player improves. Hopefully this letter explained the purpose and goal for the league. If you have any questions this letter does not answer, please contact us at 319.298.2923 or by email at sjames@perfectgame.org.

Thanks and good luck!

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