

DUNLAP RECREATION ASSOCIATION
TRAVEL BASEBALL LETTER OF COMMITMENT

Player Name _____ Age Division _____

A parent/guardian must sign a Letter of Commitment document to ensure that the parent/guardian is aware of the following DRA travel baseball program guidelines.

1. Attendance

Games will start in April and the season will run through July. Winter practices will start prior to the season (exact practice schedule will be determined by what team you are on). If a parent/guardian knows that their child will miss more than one of the weekend tournaments during the season due to vacations or other commitments, please inform the coach or Travel Director. The DRA asks that you consider participating in our house league program if you have any limitations so that another child may participate on the team.

Attendance at practices is considered mandatory unless it is for a school sponsored event, illness, injury or previous arrangements have been made with the coach.

2. Playing Time

- a. A travel coach has the right to limit a player's playing time if that player has consistently missed practices and games or has displayed unsportsmanlike conduct to other players, coaches, fans or umpires.
- b. Travel baseball is a play to win situation. By limiting the teams to 11 or 12 players, all players will get their chances to play, however, travel baseball is competitive and play to win. **There is no equal playing time rule.**
- c. All players should get playing time in regular season games and some tournament games. Players will not necessarily get to play a variety of positions or even the position they want to play. It is up to the head coach to determine the positions where each player best benefits the team as a whole.
- d. If a player is looking for equal playing time and playing a variety of positions, it is highly recommended that you consider playing in our house league.

3. Volunteering

The Travel Baseball Program generates their funding through player registrations, hosting tournaments and fundraisers. The DRA program is an all volunteer organization. Parents/guardians of travel players are required to contribute time as requested by their coaches or the travel director during home games and tournaments (concession stand help, field prep, etc). Shifts will be assigned during your age group's home tournament. If you are unable to/do not wish to work your shifts, \$50 will be assessed to cover the cost of hiring someone for your shifts. There will be fundraisers the year to raise money to support the league. The support of each player is required registration costs alone do not cover all fees for hosting/entering tournaments, umpires, and field prep.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____