



Kanata Cubs 10U Rep Baseball



Hello Players and Parents,

My name is Mark Crispin and I am extremely excited to be the coach of the 10U Kanata Cubs rep team for the upcoming 2023 season. I would like to welcome everyone and provide a brief introduction of myself and outline the upcoming season.

Baseball has been part of my life from a very young age when I was a member of Kanata Little League, I played baseball at a high level all the way up, then moved on to some more competitive traveling teams which allowed me the opportunity to play in a number of tournaments all of over North America. I feel my experiences on and off the field will translate well into coaching young athletes and can't wait to share some of those experiences.

My intentions for the upcoming season are to create an environment that players can have fun in and that every player wants to be part of. I want players to be engaged when they come to the diamond for both games and practices with a willingness to put in the work to improve their skills. Learning to be part of team and working with others will also be a focus and help all of these players grow as individuals on and off the diamond. Focusing on fundamental skill development is still extremely important at this age level as players start to get comfortable in certain positions but players will still get an opportunity to learn and play all over the diamond. My goal at the end of the season is to ensure every player makes progress with skills development but more importantly wants to continue playing baseball in our program past this season.

To successfully develop within a competitive baseball structure, an increased level of commitment is required from both players and the parents. At the 10U level players and parents need to be prepared for 1-2 practices per week and 1-2 games per week. Practices and games are important parts of development at this age and are considered **mandatory** in this program. We are also hoping to take part in 4-5 tournaments throughout the season, one of which we will be hosting. Our goal for the season will be to represent NCOBA in the provincial tournament which is held labour day weekend.

Tryouts for the 10U team will take place the last weekend in September and first weekend in October. Once tryouts have been completed I will send out offer letters outlining further details for the upcoming season.

Once again I appreciate the opportunity and look forward to seeing everyone at the diamond.

Thank You

Mark Crispin