

## Leduc Baseball Association (LBA) Suite 726, 101-5101 – 50<sup>th</sup>Avenue Leduc, Alberta

11U-18U (Mosquito to Midget) A Competitive Teams

New for the 2019 season, LBA is introducing A level teams. The 11U to 18U A level teams will consist of 12- 13 players and are designed for those players with a strong desire for the game and wish to extend their playing season past the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June and engage in competitive Baseball in July. The A teams depending on division will compete in either the CUB or ERRBL leagues during the regular season (May to 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June). After competing in their respective league playoffs, these teams will continue to practice and play in the Baseball Alberta A Division League which will culminate with A Provincials on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of July.

## **Commitment:**

The A level teams require strong commitment and participation. It is required that all players and coaches commit to their team until A Provincials on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of July. Regular play will be in either the ERRBL or CUB Leagues and the coach will schedule practices as he/she sees fit during league play. After league playoffs are complete, the Baseball Alberta A League will commence and tiering tournaments will take place on the weekends prior to Provincials. During this time it is anticipated that the coach will schedule practices during the week to prepare the team for tiering tournaments and A Provincials. Some exhibition games may be scheduled during the week to get players more game experience. Tiering tournaments and Provincials will take place at locations in the province and some travel may be required for those 3 weekends. Parents will expected to volunteer their services to score keep and pitch count on any hosting weekends in Leduc during the Baseball Alberta Season at the end of June and into July.

## Financial:

LBA initial player registration fees cover the basic expenses related to ERRBL or CUB league registration, insurance, basic equipment and jerseys, umpires, diamond fees etc., There will be a \$50 level up fee for all players participating on the A teams that will cover the extended season. Each A team will fundraise on their own for any extra team apparel or team activities. The amount of fundraising required varies per team and will be discussed at the parents meeting.

## **Evaluations:**

In the event team selections must be made because of high interest, players will participate in an evaluation. Player evaluations will be based on the observation of their demonstrated skill, development potential, perceived dedication to the program and coaching staff. Players must attend at least one evaluation in order to be considered for placement on an A team.

\*\* PLEASE NOTE –The creation of an A level team is based on player interest in each division and there is no guarantee that there will be enough player interest in each division to warrant a team. LBA will make every effort to reach out to surrounding communities to build teams so that players interested in A level play will have the opportunity to do so.

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