

**Welcome to**

**Mitchell Astros Baseball 2018 season!**

**COACHING APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED. FIND APPLICATIONS ON WEBSITE at www.mitchellminorbaseball.com**

**WOBA BASEBALL:**

* All teams will be a combination of skill level for the WOBA league play
* **Minor Rookie** teams will be split evenly based on skill
* **Major Rookie teams** will have tryouts with a tier 1/tier 2 format
* **Mosquito and Pee Wee players** will play Tier 1 and teams will be balanced with pitchers evenly divided between teams for WOBA play; The purpose of this is an opportunity to develop more pitchers for competitive play
* All schedules will consist of **a minimum of 12 league games, practices and year end WOBA tournament**
* **Bantam and Midget** teams will follow previous year’s schedules etc.

**REP TEAM:**

* All players wanting to try out for the rep team will be given the opportunity with tryouts beginning in mid to end of March
* All players chosen for the REP team will also be required to play some games with a WOBA team
* REP team players will be playing in the “Inter County League” playing teams like Stratford/KW
* REP teams will be offered at the Minor and Major Mosquito, Peewee, Bantam, Midget levels
* **An additional cost of $85 will be collected from each REP team player when the team is selected**

**UNIFORM REQUIRMENT:**

* All players are required to purchase and have their own **helmet, ball glove and cleats, grey baseball pants, red socks and red belt**
* **Baseball bats are provided** by Mitchell Minor Baseball. Starting in **Bantam, wooden bats** are the only bats allowed.

**UMPIRE CLINIC:**

Mitchell will be hosting an UMPIRE CLINIC on Sunday May 6 from 8:30-4:30. To sign up, visit the Baseball Ontario Website at [www.baseballontario.com](http://www.baseballontario.com) and click “Umpire”

**COACHES CLINIC:**

The full series of coaches clinics will be offered starting in end of April thru to June. Clinics will be held either in Mitchell or in Clinton. If you have coaching clinic questions, please speak to Trevor Russwurm. Registration for clinics can be done at [www.baseballontario.com](http://www.baseballontario.com) and click “Coaches”

**INDOOR PITCHING CAMP:** Focus will be on mechanics of pitching, grip and proper use of body to throw

* Camp will be held at **Mitchell District High School and will run for 4 weeks starting in April**
* **Mosquitos group will run from 6:30-7:15 Pee Wee Bantam group will run from 7:30-8:15**
* **Total Cost to attend is $10** Sign up at registration or email Trevor Russwurm at [trusswurm@mitchellminorbaseball.com](mailto:trusswurm@mitchellminorbaseball.com)

**CENTERFIELD SPORTS CAMP:**

* Last year a successful day camp was held with Centerfield sports at Keterson Park
* **Tentative date to host is Friday June 8, 2018**
* See **link on Mitchell Minor Baseball Website to register for this camp at a later date**

**MITCHELL MINOR BASEBALL WEBSITE: www.mitchellminorbaseball.com**

* Check Mitchell Minor Baseball’s website often for upcoming events, practice schedules etc.

**BLUE JAYS TRIP on SUNDAY APRIL 29 vs. Texas Rangers!!!:**

* Mitchell Minor Baseball’s annual Blue Jays bus trip is on again **for April 29 vs. Texas at 1pm**
* Seats are in 200 level above the visitors’ bull pen
* **Cost is $70 and includes ticket and coach bus transportation. Only 112 tickets!**
* Contact Trevor Russwurm at [trusswurm@mitchellminorbaseball.com](mailto:trusswurm@mitchellminorbaseball.com) or 519-577-9413

**TOURNAMENTS OFFERED IN MITCHELL:**

* Mitchell will be hosting **a Mosquito/Pee Wee tournament** and the year end **WOBA Rookie** **tournament and WOBA Mosquito**
* These tournaments generate a significant amount of income for MMB which allows us to keep our registration costs down. To help with these tournaments, contact an executive member

**VOLUNTEER/GET INVOLVED:**

* There are a numerous activities throughout the year that require your help and support ie:

**Uniforms, equipment management, baseball camp, year-end banquet, tournaments**

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