

## **2017-2018 Burlington Blast Parent Handout**

**Forms:** At the beginning of Sept we will hold a mandatory parent meeting to collect payments for 2017/18 season as well as all forms and paperwork. To save time, all required forms will be emailed out to you once your daughter makes a team. Those forms can then be brought to the meeting along with payment. Forms also can be downloaded from Blast website.

**Player Fees for 2017-2018:** \$425.00. At the parent meeting we will collect (2) checks,  
**September Payment \$225**  
**November Payment \$200**

You can choose to pay all \$425 at the meeting in September. If you have a financial hardship and will have trouble making payments, please contact Barb Berezowitz to make arrangements (sberez@wi.rr.com). If you do not submit checks at the meeting and if no arrangements are made, your daughter will not be allowed to participate in any off season workouts and will not be allowed to participate in the spring until they are paid in full or arrangements made.

### **New for 2017-2018**

We are offering an 8u team for the first time. The hope is to play in a league and do 2 tourneys. Cost will be reduced from normal team fees. Probably around \$200-225.00. More information will be coming as we see final numbers.

### **Uniforms:**

Uniforms will be purchased separately. All uniforms will consist of pants, jersey, socks. Some teams may elect to purchase a 2<sup>nd</sup> jersey. That will be decided amongst the teams. Uniform costs will be approximately \$80-100 per set. Most teams and players can re-use last year's uniform if it fits.

Uniforms will be available through Kollegetown. There will be a day set aside for trying on uniforms for sizing/number selection— probably in late January. Uniforms will have to be purchased by Mid Feb. More information will be available when the dates get closer. There will only be ONE spiritwear sale in Jan/Feb.

**Fall/Winter Offseason- Workouts:** Some teams will elect to play and practice more in fall and winter. All BHS fields are available until the weather changes. Congress and Bushnell fields are not available in the fall. We are hoping to get some gym time again in the winter and spring at Dyer, BHS or other Burlington area schools. We are also hoping to have some gym times open to keep our pitchers throwing 1-2 times per week all winter as well.

**Tournaments/Leagues:** All our coaches do their own scheduling for tourneys. Each team is given a budget to spend on tournaments.

-Most can do 4-5 tournaments plus host a 1 day tourney in Burlington. If coaches/teams want to do more tourneys, and exceed their budgeted amount (see below), it is up to the



### **2017-2018 Board Members**

Barb Berezowitz	President
Scott Behnke	Vice President
Natalie Kafar	Secretary
Mary Trottier	Treasurer
Mark Quilling	Fields/Operations
Todd Auset	Equipment Coordinator

### **Board Assistants:**

Stacy/Rod Stoughton	Blast website/social media/advertising
Gina Weithaus	Sponsors

### **2017-2018 Coaches**

8U	Jack Schmidt
10U Black	Scott Behnke
10U Orange	
12U Black	Todd Auset
12U Orange	Steve Berezowitz
14U Black	Dan Hayes
14U Orange	Sean Matson
16U	
18U	Kim Christiansen

We may start more teams, based on pitching and coaching availability, but we are planning on teams 7 teams at least for the upcoming season.

We are still working on a strictly 16U team, but coaching arrangements have not been finalized yet. Otherwise all 16U eligible will play up to 18U.