



Welcome
LSHS Baseball Spring Parent Meeting

We will start shortly
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A large, stylized, dark blue tiger head logo is centered in the background of the slide. The tiger's face is the primary focus, with its eyes, nose, and whiskers clearly defined. The logo is set against a dark blue background that fills the entire slide.

South Baseball

2023 Player/Parent Meeting

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Mission



Provide a high quality baseball experience for players, parents and coaches. We will conduct the program in a manner consistent with values of honesty, integrity and teamwork.

Produce an integrated program in which players can progress with continual improvement from youth baseball through the High School teams.

Produce a consistent, successful program. Teach life lessons through sport, and help our players mature into productive young adults with a healthy outlook on life.

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2022 *Highlights*

13 wins - first winning season in South history

#2 Seed in Section

Section Runner Up

First four home Section games in South history

108 runs scored - 80 was previous best

School record 49 stolen bases

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Building The Program

Captains practices = \$\$

Weightlifting

Youth connection

Clinics

Shake the Rust fundraiser

Multi Sport coaches as well as athletes

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2023 Captains

*Nathan Matiak
Ian Segna
Mike Gerda*



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#gooder

“The idea that everyday you can get better and improve. Mistakes are made every day, and failure is part of the game. Players and coaches need to do “Gooder” to overcome those mistakes, and play at your best”

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Freshman Baseball

As an introduction to high school baseball, Freshman baseball will strive to provide each player an opportunity to determine a path to success by finding the best possible position on the field according to skills and the needs of the team as a whole.

The first part of the season will test those abilities with different lineups and batting orders to determine the optimum team lineup. That could be 5 games, it could be more, it could be less, according to the coaches assessment.

Coaches will continue to develop ALL players on the team, and develop defined roles for them as the season progresses.

Freshman baseball is 9 man baseball. There is no minimum requirement for playing time, although the coaches will strive to provide all players the opportunity to play in games wherever possible.

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Sophomore Baseball

Sophomore baseball will narrow the number of players from Freshman baseball as 9A/9B teams combine into one team. The preference from the program standpoint is to keep the Sophomore group together.

The philosophy is to provide daily playing time, as compared to moving players up to JV/V and potentially facing reduced time on the field.

A player considered for varsity status would be expected to compete for a starting position. A sophomore would not be selected for varsity status without the chance of considerable playing time.

Sophomore baseball players should expect to have defined roles, and have defined defensive positions in which they can develop more positional expertise. There is no minimum requirement for playing time for any player, although coaches should make every effort to give players opportunities to show themselves.

It is possible that players could be called up to play JV or V in situations for team needs, or that the player has shown he has the potential for success at a higher level.

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Junior Varsity Baseball

JV players will further develop their skills in order to compete for starting positions on Varsity within their career, and be considered for potential call ups during the season depending on needs of Varsity, and the performance of the player.

JV players should expect to have defined roles, and be developing within those roles. There is no minimum requirement for playing time for any player.

JV players will be considered to join the playoff roster for Varsity based on their performance during the JV season. Joining the playoff roster does not guarantee a Varsity selection for the following season.

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Varsity Baseball

Varsity team will be selected through the tryout process. Independent evaluations will be conducted by the coaches during tryout week. Coaches may elect to make preliminary cuts, and continue evaluations for players the following week for specific positions or roles, or team assignments. Final cuts and team assignments to JV/V will be at the coaches discretion.

Seniors will be given every opportunity to make the varsity team whether as a starter or as a bench/role player. Senior cuts may happen at the coaches discretion considering depth at positions, size of team roster, and other factors. Seniors will NOT be asked by coaches to join the JV team as an option to being cut, but may REQUEST it in the individual meeting with the coach.

Varsity players will have defined roles on the team, roles that may change during the season depending on performance and other factors that come up during the season. Role/bench players may have limited playing time based on individual game situations, and other determining factors during the season.

All players are expected to contribute to the team during practice and games, regardless of playing time or role on the team. Players in the dugout are expected to take care of keeping pitch counts, keeping scorebook, charting pitches, chasing down foul balls etc.

As a team, develop championship chemistry and relationships, have fun, strive to perform at a high level. Finish the season as better players and better young men.

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Player/Parent Concerns

The policy here at Lakeville South and ISD 194 required that player and parents follow this process when addressing any issues your player has during the season.

Step 1 - Have your player discuss with his coach directly. Part of the process of maturing young players is to teach them to advocate for themselves. Coaches should be open to having a discussion and addressing the player's concerns.

Step 2 - Arrange a meeting with the Head Coach for your player's team, and meet to discuss your player's concerns. The player should also be present.

Step 3 - Arrange a meeting with the Head Varsity Coach, Level Coach, the player and parents to discuss the player's concerns.

Step 4 - If the concerns are not addressed after the first three steps, contact the Athletic Director's office to schedule a meeting to discuss the player's concerns.

Coaches will not discuss in game strategies, other players, line ups or batting orders.

Please respect the 24 hour no contact rule with regards to making complaints to the coach.

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Coaching Staff

- Varsity Head Coach – Bill John
- Varsity Assistants – Brent Goracke and Corey Kennedy
- JV Head Coach – Paul Schmidtke
- Assistant JV Coach - Doug Boelter
- Sophomore Head Coach – Kirk Golberg
- 9A Head Coach – Greg Jensen
- 9A Assistant – Travis Agarano
- 9B Head Coach – Matt Torgerson

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Player Communication

GameChanger Off Season 2022-23 for schedules, coach to player communication, last minute changes

There will be a separate GameChanger for each team once the teams have been assigned.

The screenshot shows the GameChanger Classic web interface for the Lakeville South Off Season 2022-23. The page is titled "Lakeville South Off Season 2022-23" and "Lakeville, MN - Prep Baseball". The score is "Summer 2022 0-0". The interface includes a navigation menu with "Team Home", "Schedule", "Opponents", "Roster & Lineup", "Season Stats", and "Community". There are four main action buttons: "Add Roster", "Schedule a Game", "Invite Fans", and "Add Coaching Staff". A sidebar on the right shows "You're an Admin. Start New Season", "FANS 102", and "POPULARITY #21". A "SEND INVITES" button is visible under the "Communicate and share with players, family, and fans." section. The bottom of the page shows "UPCOMING EVENTS" and "FULL SCHEDULE". The Windows taskbar at the bottom indicates the time is 3:53 PM on 2/22/2023.

Tryouts

Freshman Tryouts: Week of March 13th

- Teams announced March 17
- Freshman practice starts March 20
- Daily schedule on website/GC
- Dome Tues/Thursday 3-4:15 pm no district transportation.

Sophomore/Varsity Tryouts:

- Arm care week of March 13th
- Tryouts Week of March 20th
- Daily Schedule on website/GC
- No practice March 29-April 4

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Season Important Dates

April 6th - V/JV Scrimmage v St. Louis Pk

April 10th - First Games

May 10th - Teacher Appreciation Day

May 17th - Senior Night v Shakopee

May 18th - LBA Night at Elko v North

May 23rd - Last regular season game

May 29th - Section Playoff First Round

June 11th - Banquet 10th -12th

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What Will it Take

Effort

Communication

Collaboration

...and \$



2022-2023 Boosters

Position	Name	Email	Mobile
Head Coach	Bill John	bill.john@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	612-309-7772
President	Thane Hathaway	thane.hathaway@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	612-750-3155
Vice President	Chris Marland	chris.marland@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	612-965-6181
Secretary	Starla Hendricks	starla.hendricks@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	612-834-4444
Treasurer	Sara Webster	sara.webster@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	952-270-9901
Marketing/Media Chair	open		
Field/Facilities Chair	open		
Social / Beer Bash Chair	Jessa Hutchins Nikki Carmody Michelle Paider		
Spring Trip 2024	open		
Off-Season Development Chair	Andrew Lyke	lykear14@yahoo.com	612-801-1070
Apparel Chair	Chris Marland	chris.marland@lakevillesouthbaseball.org	612-965-6181



Grade Level Coordinators





















Level	Name	email	Phone
9 th	Mike Bril	mike.bril@lakevillebaseball.org	651.587.6924
10 th	Troy Walker	troywalkertwinswin@gmail.com	651.983.5054
11 th	Mike O'Connor	oconnormike95@gmail.com	612.845.0653
12 th	Jay Witter	jaywitter9@gmail.com	612.916.8578

Goal

~\$40,000 annually allows us to:

- Execute a season
- Purchase new uniforms and equipment as needed
- Make continuous field improvements
- Have some contribution towards a bi-annual spring trip



Member Level	Price	Player Sweatshirt Cougar window cling 	Golf Umbrella 	Bucket Hat 	Jersey Blanket 	2 End of Season Banquet Tickets 
Grand Slam	\$550					
Homerun	\$475					
Triple	\$400					
Double	\$325					
Single	\$250					

SNEAK PEEK



2023 LSHS
BASEBALL
SWEATSHIRT

How to get started...



Lakeville South High School Ba...

@lshsbaseball-diamondclub



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2023 Major Expenses

- Coaches-\$18,000.00
- Field Improvements
- Equipment
- New Uniforms and Team Apparel
- Major Spring Trip Every 2 Years (2022, 2024, etc)
- Tryouts
- Captains Practices - Lakeville Dome-\$8,800.00



2021-2022 Field and Equipment Improvements

- Ⓞ 4 New Tanner Claw Tees
- Ⓞ 3 New Home Plate Mats for Batting Cage
- Ⓞ 4 New Custom Bullet Brand L Screens-Maroon
- Ⓞ New Pitchers Pocket
- Ⓞ New Fence Protector in Dugouts
- Ⓞ New Stairs and Railing in Press Box
- Ⓞ New PA system at Varsity Field
- Ⓞ Custom Windscreen at Batting Cage
- Ⓞ Field 4 Mound and Home Plate Restoration
- Ⓞ White Varsity Jerseys Replaced
- Ⓞ Possible Painting of Press Box-Waiting To Hear Back From School On Funding
- Ⓞ Repair of Portable Batting Cage-Turtle



Off Season Development

Captains Practice Held At Lakeville North Dome

Booster Club Covering All Costs-No Cost To Families

Fall And Winter Weight Lifting

Currently Being Held

Lakeville South Gym

Under The Direction Of Coach Sahli

Summer Teams (15s, Jr Legion, Legion, etc)

Extension of HS Program

Continuation of development plans





Volunteering & Fundraising

Volunteer (Dibs) requirement

- 3 volunteer times are needed
- Chair positions will fulfill all Dibs
- Dibs are open

How do I find Dibs?

The screenshot shows the website for Lakeville South High School Baseball. The navigation menu includes: Home, Coaches, Diamond Club, Teams, Fundraising, **DIBS** (circled in blue), Calendar, and More +. A tooltip below the menu says "click to go to 'The Diamond Club'".

The main content area features the hashtag **#GOODER** and the title **Lakeville South Cougar Baseball**.

UPCOMING BASEBALL EVENTS

WED 2/22	THU 2/23	FRI 2/24	SAT 2/25	SUN 2/26
no events	Parent / Player Meeting Thursday, 7:00pm CST	Captains Practice - All Grade levels Friday, 4:15pm CST-5:30pm CST	no events	Cub Bagging Fundraiser Sunday, 10:00am CST-6:00pm CST Captains Practice - 11th and 12th Grade Sunday, 8:00pm CST-10:00pm CST

→ VIEW ALL | RSS | IICAL

New Baseball Player Information **IMPORTANT DATES!**

www.lakevillesouthbaseball.org/thediamondclub

Fundraising 2023



Poinsettias Sale



\$5,872.28

Heggies Pizzas Sale



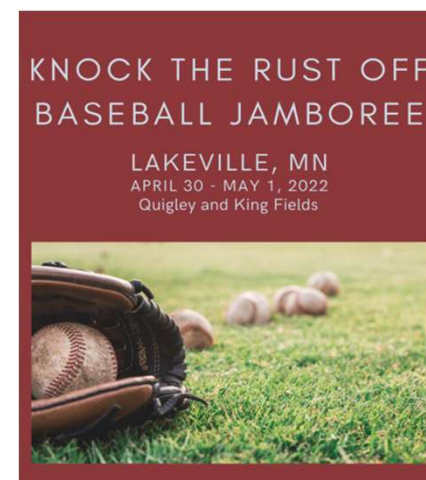
\$7,593.69

Social



March 11

Baseball Jamboree



April 29 - April 30

Additional Fundraising



Buffalo Wild Wings - TEAM C



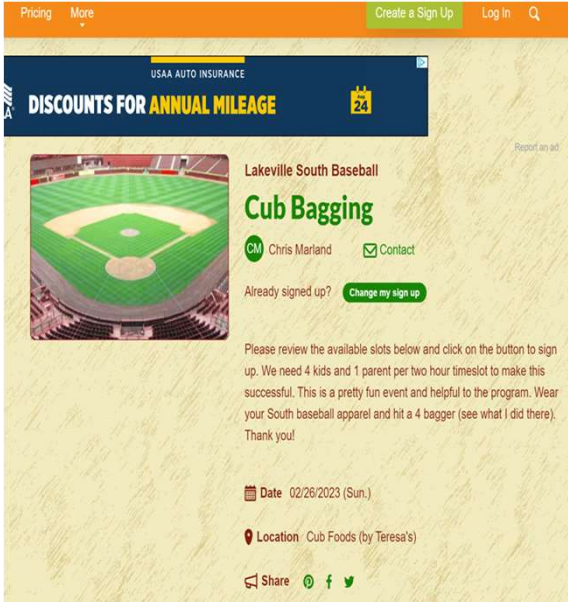
BUFFALO WILD WINGS

JOIN THE TEAM C HERD
IF YOU ARE DINING IN OR TAKING OUT MENTION THAT YOU ARE PART OF TEAM C AND SOUTH BASEBALL MAKES 10% OF YOUR ORDER (NOW THROUGH JULY 23)

 *Thank you for supporting Lakeville South Baseball

January 1 - July 23

Cub Bagging




USAA AUTO INSURANCE
DISCOUNTS FOR ANNUAL MILEAGE

Lakeville South Baseball
Cub Bagging
CM Chris Marland Contact
Already signed up? [Change my sign up](#)

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. We need 4 kids and 1 parent per two hour timeslot to make this successful. This is a pretty fun event and helpful to the program. Wear your South baseball apparel and hit a 4 bagger (see what I did there). Thank you!

Date 02/26/2023 (Sun.)
Location Cub Foods (by Teresa's)

Share 

Feb 26th

Canes

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S

Mention the fundraiser at the register or put "Fundraiser" in the special request section of your mobile order and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:

Lakeville South High School Baseball

DATE & TIME:
Monday, February 27th from 4:00 - 9:00pm

LOCATION:
18477 Kenrick Avenue | Lakeville



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Feb 27th

Additional Fundraising

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JOIN US FOR A
LAKEVILLE South BASEBALL

Fashion Fundraiser

COUGARS

Baseball

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SUNDAY, MARCH 5 | 12-5
Sips & Snacks all day long
15% of all purchases benefits Lakeville South Baseball

March 5

B52's

LAKEVILLE SOUTH BASEBALL

Dinner and Drinks at B52 Lakeville
Monday, March 13th (4pm to close)

Hit...
Print flyer and give to family and friends

Catch...
MUST PRINT FLYER AND GIVE TO SERVER

Score...
B52 Lakeville will DONATE 30% of proceeds

Give Back Night!

B*52
BURGERS • BREW

*Not applicable with specials, coupons, to-go orders & payment with gift card

March 13th

Gary's Supper Club

**Have Fun.
Earn Funds.**

Join us for Brunch to raise funds for
Lakeville South Cougars Baseball

COUGARS

Baseball

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Sunday, April 23rd
from 9AM - 2PM at

GARY'S
supper club

Present this flier to Give Back 20% to Cougars Baseball!
Reservations at garysupperclub.com.

April 23rd

Additional Fundraising



Lakeville Brewing Co

LAKEVILLE BREWING COMPANY
GIVE BACK NIGHT

JANUARY 30
3PM - 9PM

10% OF ALL SALES GO
BACK TO SOUTH BASEBALL



(952) 469-2739
8790 Upper 208th Street
www.lakevillebrewing.com


FAMILY DINING AND LOCAL CRAFT BEER

\$350.00

Chipotle

WE CAN DO THIS! FOOD WITH INTEGRITY. COMMUNITY STARTS WITH YOU. TASTE MAKES THE DIFFERENCE. GOOD FOR YOU. GENEROUS HELPING HANDS. WE DO IT THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW.

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE




CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
**LAKEVILLE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL
BASEBALL PROGRAM**

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16TH | 4-8PM
17599 KENWOOD TRL STE 100, LAKEVILLE, MN, 55044


ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **V6NF2CJ**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT




For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of use during the hours of the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$50 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

\$89.28

Red's Savoy Pizza

PIZZA • PASTA  WINGS • APPS

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MENTION
**LAKEVILLE SOUTH
BASEBALL**

TUESDAY, MAY 3RD
FROM 5-8PM

AND 20% OF SALES GOES BACK
TO THE ORGANIZATION!

17450 Kenwood Trail, Lakeville, MN 55044
(952) 236-9499
savoypizza.com

*Not valid with other offers. Valid only at location listed.

\$40.00



Communication



ALL THINGS COUGAR BASEBALL!!

lakevillesouthbaseball.org

- ALL parent communication
- Calendar
- Volunteer
- Fundraising
- More...

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Lakeville South Cougar Baseball website. The page features a navigation menu with links for Home, Coaches, Diamond Club, Teams, Fundraising, DIBS, Calendar, and More. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area includes a large banner with the hashtag #GOODER and the text "Lakeville South Cougar Baseball". Below the banner is a section titled "UPCOMING BASEBALL EVENTS" with a table listing events for Wednesday 2/22, Thursday 2/23, Friday 2/24, Saturday 2/25, and Sunday 2/26. The table shows a Parent/Player Meeting on Thursday 2/23 and various Captains Practice events on Friday 2/24 and Sunday 2/26. Below the events table is a section titled "New Baseball Player Information" which provides instructions for creating a Sportengine account. A red button labeled "CREATE A SPORTEENGINE ACCOUNT HERE" is highlighted with a blue circle. To the right of this section is an "IMPORTANT DATES!" section listing dates for Captains Practice 2023 (January, February, and March), Tryouts (9th Grade and 10th, 11th and 12th), and Arm Care.

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New Baseball Player Information

If your player is in 9th Grade or new to Baseball this year create a Sportengine account.

Sportengine is used to provide important information to parents on training, tryouts, fundraising and much more.

[CREATE A SPORTEENGINE ACCOUNT HERE](#)

IMPORTANT DATES!

Captains Practice 2023

January - 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 and 29

February - 5, 7, 14, 19, 24 and 26

March - 5, 7, 9, 12 and 19

Tryouts

9th Grade - week of 3/13/2023

10th, 11th and 12th - week of 3/20/2023

Arm Care

Registration is OPEN!

- ✓ Activity fee: \$300/player - must be done to tryout.
 - Make sure have current physical on file at South or cannot tryout
- ✓ South baseball website - communications only - \$0
- ✓ LBA - Captain's Practices - \$0
- ✓ Diamond Club membership: Starting at the "single" level - \$250

Social Communication

- Facebook - Public
 - Lakeville South High School Baseball
- Facebook - for Parents
 - LSHS Baseball Parents
- Twitter
 - @LSCougsBaseball
- Instagram
 - LSHSCougarBaseball



High School - LBA Umpiring Partnership

- Umpire Training Now!





Questions?



Facebook LSHS Baseball Parent Group

- Team/Program Announcements
- Files
- Parent Communication
- Important Dates
- More...

A screenshot of the Facebook page for the "LSHS Baseball Parents" group. The page features a maroon header with the "COUGARS LAKEVILLE SOUTH" logo. Below the header, it identifies the group as "Group by Lakeville South High School Baseball" and "LSHS Baseball Parents" with 49 members. The page includes navigation tabs for "About", "Discussion", "Announcements", "Rooms", "Members", "Events", "Media", and "Files". A post by "Thane Hathaway" (Admin) dated October 29 at 10:05 AM is visible, stating that communication from coaches to players is handled through GameChanger. The "About" section on the right explains that the group is private and intended for parent communication and collaboration. The location is listed as "Lakeville, Minnesota".

Spring Training Trip Tampa Bay

Dates: 3/26/2022-3/31/2022

See Spring Training Tab on Website For
All Details.

<http://www.tampabayspringtraining.com>

