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Subject: Weekly WAA Travel Baseball Update #2

Good Afternoon –

I had said last week that this email was going to be delivered weekly on Monday or Tuesdays, and look it's Wednesday and it's only the 2nd week. It is for good reason though as we have some good updates that just came through. This email will cover the following topics:

- WHS/WAA Coach Clinic
- J-Band Follow-Up
- Trusted Coaches Update

WHS/WAA Coach Clinic

Recently had a meeting with Coach McDermott and Coach Feldkamp from WHS. We talked about ways that they could get closer to the program and help out in any way. One item that we did land on initially was the opportunity to run a clinic for all head and assistant coaches, where a variety of topics are to be covered and centered around your needs as a WAA coach. I've had many questions directed to me on what resources are available to us as coaches and Coach McDermott was more than willing jump in. We decided it would be a great opportunity to run the clinic at Health East (in the middle area on the field), details below:

- **When:** Sunday, February 27th.
 - o Session 1: 5:15 – 6:45 (this session is for teams who have the 7:00 – 8:30 or 8:30 – 10:00 times that night)
 - o Session 2: 7:15 – 8:45 (this session is for teams who have the 4:00 – 5:30 or 5:30 – 7:00 time slot)
- **Where:** Health East Sports Center (middle open area of fieldhouse)
- **Who:** All head and assistant coaches (have as many attend as possible)
- **What:** Coach McDermott said he will tailor each session as needs are different, and will have an agenda but is very open to suggestions. If you have topics to cover, please email me and I will collect and pass along.
- **Action Item:** Please pass this information along to your coaching staff. I understand that you all give a lot of time already, but these sessions will provide a lot of value to you and your staff.

J-Band Follow-Up

Everyone picked up their equipment from HESC last Sunday (except someone did leave a tee, if it was you – let me know). In the white buckets were everyone's J-Bands. I haven't heard from any coaches who have returning players that don't have theirs from last year yet, but I'm sure they are out there. Please let me know sooner than later. I have a limited # of extras, and if I need to order, I want to do it sooner than later. Also, if you need specific assistance in the J-Band drills, please reach out and I will be happy to provide the drill sheets.

Trusted Coaches Update

Here is a link to the current status of our [Trusted Coaches certifications](#). I would like to see these complete by 3/1. Please pass along to your staff so they are aware. Emails from WAA/Trusted Coaches to all that had outstanding items were sent in the beginning of January. If people need assistance, our WAA admin, Wendy Zimmer (waareceptionist@waawoodbury.org) can be of help. This will become a weekly installment until everyone is green.

Any questions, let me know.

Rich