

## 2024 COACHING STAFF

18U: Mike Byrne, Shawn Alazaus, John Bakalar

17U: Russell Haigh, TBD

16U: Breydan Cavey, Matt Aukerman

15U: TBD, Wayne Andrews, Mike Reis

14U: John Brayer, Aldo Filippelli, Mike Wilson

13U: Josh Brancel, Mike Brooks

12U: Julio Rosales, TBD

11U: Andy Bruno, Shane Brandy

9U: Rob Beahn, TBD

## 2024 SUPPORT STAFF

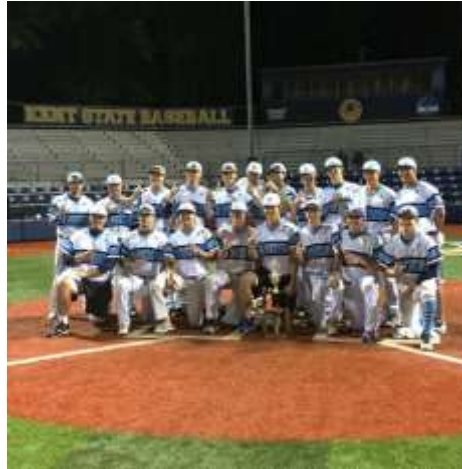
**Chris Kaczmar.** Coach K started OEB North & retired from Walsh Jesuit where he coached for more than 20 years with over 400 career victories.

**Rick Giavonette.** Rick played at the College of Wooster and has been coaching youth baseball in NE Ohio for many years. Rick is our off-season hitting coordinator.

**Randy Rundgren.** A favorite of all players, young and old, Randy is a tremendous man. He has coached many years with OEB.

**Ben Stobbs:** Coach Stobbs is one of the best baseball minds in the state! He has been with OEB for several years, & has coached high school baseball over 20 years.

# OHIO ELITE BASEBALL

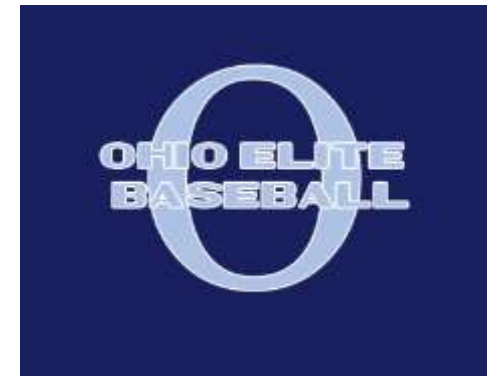


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**PLAY HARD – PLAY SMART  
– PLAY FUN**



**In our 13 years of existence, Ohio Elite has had over 545 college commitments and 35 MLB Draft picks!**

## **OFF-SEASON TRAINING**

Our teams will train indoors twice a week beginning in January. The 14 and under age groups will go through the 1<sup>st</sup> week of April. The high school age groups will go until high school tryouts begin. Training covers all aspects of the game & has included weekly guest speakers to talk about various topics. Locations may include Kent State, Massillon Washington HS, University School & various D-Bat locations.

## **COLLEGE COMMITMENTS**

Over 545 players have gone onto play college baseball, across all levels (JUCO, NAIA, D1,2,3), earning millions of dollars in scholarship money since 2008. Our coaches all work extremely hard to establish and maintain relationships with college coaches.

## **ARM CARE PROGRAM**

We offer an arm care program for all players, free of charge, starting in August. The program is led by two Malone University coaches Josh Hurford and Tyler Hays and is 6 weeks long.

## **PLAYER FEES**

Player fees vary from team to team & are based on a variety of factors. This year the fees ranged from \$1250 to \$2250 dollars & cover training, coaching, uniforms, tournaments, insurance, website, equipment, etc.

## **IN-SEASON TRAINING**

High school OEB teams have the opportunity to call Walsh Jesuit High School their home field for in-season training and games. Youth-aged OEB teams have used a variety of fields for their weekly work, located throughout NE Ohio. Training is extremely important – regardless of the age group.

## **IN-SEASON PLAY**

Most OEB teams do not play in a league. Instead, they supplement tournament play with independent games. We take great pride in attending the most competitive tournaments the state of Ohio and this region have to offer. During the week we will use training sessions & independent games to prepare our players for the weekend ahead. Younger age groups can expect to play 40-60 games. Older age groups will play 35-45 games. Hotel stays will be required. Generally our teams will be out of town 3-6 times per summer. OEB is 1 of 5 founding members of the Midwest Prospect League (held at Grand Park). We are the only team in Ohio part of the Wilson Premier – Prestige Club. Our teams play in events like the Flames Tournament of Champions, the Buckeye Elite, the Music City Classic in Nashville and PG/PBR events throughout the region.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Ohio Elite organization is based upon a shared philosophy amongst players, coaches, and parents. First, we will focus on developing players for high school baseball and showcasing their skills and talents to college coaches and professional scouts. Second, and more importantly, we will help the boys mature into responsible young men and teach life lessons through the game of baseball.

Ohio Elite teams and players are expected to conduct themselves in a first-class manner both on and off the field. Our organization will continually stress good character, sportsmanship and the importance of respecting the game. The Ohio Elite organization wants players that have the desire to compete with the best against the best.

## **OEB GOALS**

For our younger teams (9u through 14u), the goal is to develop and educate our players to the best of our ability. They will learn the fundamentals of the game, mechanics & play several positions to help their development & growth. We may roster bat when allowed, & playing time will be divided as equally as possible.

For our older teams (15u through 18u), the goal is to prepare our players for high school & college baseball. Our coaches will teach the players what to expect from the next level. We will stress academics, work in the weight room & excelling on the field. Playing time will be earned & not necessarily equal.