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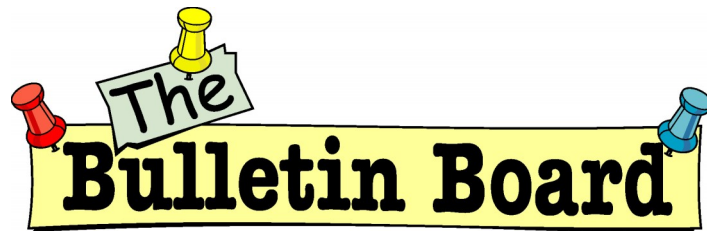
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RCBC Newsletter

Congratulations to all of the RCBC players and alumni graduating from middle school, high school and college this year. Best of luck in your academic and athletic pursuits.



A graphic of a yellow bulletin board with a black border. The words "The Bulletin Board" are written on it in a bold, black, serif font. The word "The" is on a small white tag pinned to the top left with a yellow pushpin. The word "Bulletin" is on the top line and "Board" is on the bottom line. A red pushpin is on the left edge and a blue pushpin is on the right edge.

The Bulletin Board

- As we slowly get back to baseball activity, all players, parents and coaches are to follow the new policies and procedures announced to help ensure the safety of all of our members. For additional information, visit www.rcbclub.com.
- For teams 11U-17U on a payment plan schedule for their Tournament Fees, all fees are due in full before your first tournament in July. Adjustments have been made for those teams with changes in their schedule. You can pay by credit card via your LeagueApps account or by check or cash. Checks should be made out to RCBC and mailed to 98 Tanglewood Drive, Staten Island, NY 10308. Do not mail cash.
- If you missed any of our Zoom webinars or want to watch again, they are available on the RCBC YouTube channel.
- Thanks to everyone again who made a donation for food deliveries for our local healthcare workers. We raised \$4,000 and made 12 deliveries as a result of your generosity. Together, we made a difference to the dedicated professionals who served our community!

2020 Tournament Update

Our June tournament schedule was also canceled due to the continued lockdown requirements. Here's the schedule at the RC Complex for the remainder of the summer, contingent upon the NYC reopening process.

July 16 - PG WWBA Mid Atlantic Select Championship (14U, 15U, 17U)

July 17 - PG Youth Mid Atlantic Select Championship (10U, 12U)

July 24 - PG Mid Atlantic World Series (15U, 16U)

July 30 - PG Northeast World Series (14U, 16U)

August 4 - PG Super25 Mid Atlantic Regional (15U)

August 7 - PG Super25 Northeast Super Qualifier (10U, 11U, 12U, 13U)

August 9 - PG Super25 Mid Atlantic Regional (17U)

August 14 - RCBC Battle Of The Island (8U, 9U, 10U)

August 15 - PG WWBA Northeast Championship (16U)

August 24 - PG Super25 East Coast Super Qualifier (15U)

August 27 - PG Super25 East Coast Super Qualifier (17U)

August 29 - PG WWBA Northeast Elite Championship (14U)

DiamondKast will be available for all PG events so fans can follow the action if not at the ballpark.

For more information on our events, including our fall tournament schedule, visit our Tournament Website at www.rctournaments.com.

RCBC Uniform Standards

As league and tournament play is finally about to begin, we want to remind everyone of our uniform standards to ensure that our teams look consistent and professional and our program is represented properly. Only the following items are allowed:

- This year's royal blue and black jerseys and hat
 - White pants with royal blue piping
 - Royal blue belt and socks
- Royal blue batting helmet with RC decal

If you need to purchase a batting helmet, an option is our Marucci Locker Room online store where helmets are offered at a discount price for RCBC members. If you purchase elsewhere, please ensure that the helmet is predominantly royal blue. Your coach will supply you with the RC decal.



Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

As The Season Is About To Begin, Meet Our Teams



8U Americans



8U Nationals

Meet Our Teams



9U Nationals



10U Nationals

Meet Our Teams



11U Americans

11U Nationals



Meet Our Teams



12U Americans



12U Nationals

Meet Our Teams



14U Americans



14U Nationals

Meet Our Teams



14U Royals



16U Nationals

Meet Our Teams



17U Nationals

Good luck to all of our teams this year.

Let's bring home some more championships!

162 Tournament Championships since 2014

286 Championship game appearances

No one gets to more championship games than RCBC!



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Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

In This Issue - College Baseball: Ways To Get Money

Quote of the Month - Hall of Famer Willie Mays once said
"Baseball is certainly a game. It's also a business. However, most of all, baseball is disguised combat."

It is very difficult to get a full athletic scholarship in baseball. There simply aren't that many to go around in college. Baseball is not the money-maker that football or basketball are at the collegiate level. There aren't 100,000 fans like you have for the Rose Bowl and no billion dollar TV contract like the NCAA Basketball Tournament has.

However, aspiring college baseball players have plenty of ways to get money. So therefore, parents who have sons entering the 9th grade should read this as carefully as the mom and dad whose son is entering his senior year.

1. **ATHLETIC MONEY:** Yes you can still get athletic money even if it isn't 100%. Play well and you can receive 25% up to 75%.
2. **ACADEMIC MONEY:** This is where ALL parents, no matter which age group, should read carefully. **GOOD GRADES IN HIGH SCHOOL = MONEY FOR COLLEGE.** And remember, your grades count from the second you enter high school. Some think you don't need to worry until its 11th grade "Beaver Biscuits!" It counts throughout. Get a 90+ average and immediately you will get college money (though Ivy League schools are



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always difficult). Add to that an SAT score of 1100 or an ACT score in the high 20s and you're in good shape. It varies with colleges. Some prefer the SAT score, others the ACT, and still others like high school class rank ahead of everything. Plain and simple. Watch your son's grades from day 1 of the 9th grade!!!! As a former Recruiter at a Division 1 college, I can tell you that College Coaches are delighted when a player gets academic money as that means saving athletic money.

3. **FINANCIAL AID:** Always fill out your Financial Aid forms in your son's senior year. Low income, single parents, no home ownership are the most common ways to get financial aid. If you son goes to a NY college, the state gives what is call TAP (Tuition Assistance Program) aid.

4. **INSTITUTIONAL AID:** Colleges in the Ivy League and Patriot League plus Division 3 colleges don't give athletic money. But they do offer institutional aid plus academic aid to help. Plus, off the record (LOL), for athletes in these schools, if the coach has some influence, they have an easier time getting help for their players (shhhhh).



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5. **LOW INTEREST LOANS:** If you still need help, colleges direct students where to get low interest loans.

6. **GRANTS:** Sometimes a parent works in a place where Grants are given out for college. A former RCBC player is getting money because his dad was a fireman during 9-11.

7. **THE PACKAGE:** In college baseball, THE PACKAGE is what most players get. It's like cooking a stew; a combination of everything. Combine some Athletic money, Academic money, Financial Aid and Grants and hope it adds up to an amount close to the full tuition.

Hopefully this had been helpful. Keep an eye on your son's academics. Private College has become over-priced....and in my opinion, a semi rip-off. Contact me with any questions: mikelope19@aol.com.



Marucci Featured Item

Custom Pro Wood Bats

Available in a variety of pro styles and sizes. Customize in your team or school colors. Special RCBC Member pricing.



For all your equipment needs, visit our Marucci Locker Room online store where RCBC members always get a discount.

