16U Midgets Baseball Philosophy

16U Baseball is made up of a "School "and a " Community " team that are entered into the Lanco Midget Baseball League.

The selection of the School and Community teams will be made before high school baseball completes it's season. In order for players to be eligible for the School Team players must have been on either the LS varsity or junior varsity team (for that season). Any player that was eligible for the School team but was not selected to that team is eligible to play for the Community team. Any player who did not play for an LS team and is age appropriate for 16U is eligible to play on Community team.

This age division is unlike the age levels below it. There are no formal tryouts. The commissioner shall decide how the School team will be selected. It is recommended that the commissioner select a small group of people (coaches, former coaches) to select the team. If they choose they may have an informal tryout to assist in this process.

Expectations at each level:

School Team

The School team is expected to play with the goals of developing players and winning a championship. There are no playing time requirements that the coach must meet. These are our most skilled high school level players and it should be expected that the players who are most skilled will see the most playing time. It is expected that the coach does his best to get all players time in games. It is recommended to keep approximately 15 players as it is normal for players to miss games because of vacations.

Community Team

The Community team will play other Community teams. Their goal is also to win games and develop players. It is expected that all players get significant playing time. No player should be designated as a bench player. This team may have more than 15 players depending upon the numbers that have registered.