

**WESLEYAN MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL TRYOUT REGISTRATION**

All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys are invited to try out for the Middle School team for the 2012 season. Tryouts will be conducted on January 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Each player will be evaluated on up to two (2) separate dates with the team selection to be made at the conclusion of tryouts. Practice will begin when the tryouts are completed. All tryouts will be scheduled so as not to conflict with a Wesleyan winter sports event where possible. It is important for all players to understand our position regarding participation on other non-Wesleyan teams that conflict with the Wesleyan baseball schedule (practice and games). Simply put, all players will be expected to place a priority on the Wesleyan team above ANY participation in other teams or sporting activity when a conflict arises. We will, however, work to accommodate a player who wishes to be a spring two sport participant for Wesleyan with prior discussion. Parents should understand this fully as a condition of trying out for the team as players sometimes have undue pressure placed upon them if a clear understanding, going in, is not made a condition of his acceptance of a spot on any outside team that might be expecting his allegiance. The good news is that our season is short, ending in mid-April, after which a player can commit to an outside team in full.

We will not be able to assign tryout times until we understand how many players will be trying out. This will determine the number of players in each session. The kids will be notified of their tryout time and we will accommodate as best we can anyone with a conflict that is deemed reasonable. Players should report to tryouts on time and properly attired, including long sleeves, hats, baseball pants (or sweats), equipment, baseball shoes, and jacket. Players should also bring tennis shoes for hitting in the cage. Catchers are also encouraged to bring gear if they have it.

Each player is to fill out the information below and return this letter signed by the player and a parent to Mrs. Dixon in the Middle School office NOT LATER THAN JAN. 10<sup>th</sup>. Notice of your tryout time will be posted on the 12<sup>th</sup> at Mrs. Dixon's office. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Coach Bob Worthington at 770-448-8998, ext. 2 (office) or 770-394-8124 (home).

Player's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Currently on a Wesleyan winter sports team? \_\_\_\_\_ Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you play on a Wesleyan fall sports team? \_\_\_\_\_ Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Throw (R/L)? \_\_\_\_\_ Bat (R/L)? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe where you have played baseball the last two years (league, level of play, age group, etc.) and any special recognition received: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

What defensive positions have you had the most experience playing in order? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Have you currently made a commitment to another team that is expecting you to be able to play for it when a conflict exists with the Wesleyan team? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to discuss this with Coach Worthington prior to tryouts? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any dates that you know of today where you would **not** be available for Wesleyan Baseball between February 1<sup>st</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup> other than school breaks? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Are you willing to try-out on a Sunday afternoon if necessary? \_\_\_\_\_

Player's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents signature: \_\_\_\_\_