

Watsonville American Little League Manager/Coach Application

Date: _____

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Home Ph# _____

Cell Ph# _____

Email: _____

Drivers License # _____

Requested Level of coaching (check one):

T-ball AA AAA Majors

Coaching preference (check one):

Manager Coach (Assistant Coach)

Coaching partners may NOT be selected for MAJORS or AAA Managers until AFTER the child of the desired Coach is drafted onto their team. Please note that while coaching partner preferences are considered, the WALL Board of Directors makes the final decision regarding coaching partnerships.

Have you ever coached a Little League team?

Yes

No

If yes, list organization(s), level(s), and year(s):

Have you ever coached in other organized baseball/softball programs?

Yes

No

If yes, list organization(s), age group(s), and year(s):

Have you ever coached other youth sports? Yes No
If yes, list organization(s), age group(s), and year(s):

Have you ever received training as a baseball/softball coach? Yes No
If yes, list type and location of training:

Have you ever umpired in an organized baseball/softball program? Yes No

In making this application, I certify that I am not a user of drugs, nor do I drink to excess or use tobacco products on school grounds and at Little League related functions. I further state that I am not at the time and have not within the past three years been under psychiatric care, the nature of which would affect my relationship with Little League children.

Application to Manage and Authorization to Conduct Background Check

Little League and W.A.L.L. requires that background checks be completed for all Managers, Coaches, or Team Volunteers. By submitting this signed application you authorize the Watsonville American Little League Board of Directors to conduct a background check, which may include a review of sex offender registries, child abuse and criminal history records and *checking with any players and/or their parents who have been on teams you have coached and/or managed in the past*. In addition to this Manager Application, the **Little League Volunteer Application** must also be completed.

Completed applications will be reviewed by the WALL Board of Directors for approval and team assignments. W.A.L.L. appreciates the importance of the Manager role as a position of trust and responsibility in Little League. Acceptance of an appointment as a Manager in W.A.L.L. constitutes a contract with the players, parents, other managers, other coaches, umpires and league officials to demonstrate your appreciation of the philosophy of Little League and cooperation with others in making the program benefit all who participate.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Manager/ Coach Commitment

Each season, the goal of Watsonville American Little League is to select the most qualified and experienced Managers and Coaches to teach and supervise our players. Following are some basic policies that Watsonville American Little League uses to select Managers and Coaches:

- **There is no tenure in serving as a Manager or Coach in W.A.L.L. All appointments to serve as Manager or Coach expire on September 15th annually.**

If appointed to a Manager/Coach position within Watsonville American Little League, I will:

- Fully participate in all League activities including coaching clinics, safety meetings, fundraisers and special programs.
- Agree to umpire (or provide alternate qualified adult volunteer) in a division other than that I am coaching or as directed by the appointed League board member.
- Treat players, player's parents, fellow coaches, umpires, scorekeepers and league officials with respect at all times.
- Demonstrate positive methods for resolving conflicts.

- Provide my team with a reasonable number of practices.
- Not use nor allow others to use: Tobacco products of any kind while on Little League grounds. Alcohol, during or preceding involvement with players in practices and games and during other Little League functions where players may be present.
- Refrain from profanity, abusive highly critical or demeaning language.
- Take responsibility for all League equipment entrusted to my team and ensure that all equipment is cleaned and returned by closing day ceremonies. Failure to turn in all equipment will result in possible forfeiture in Manager/Coach position for following season.
- Act in best interest of the League.
- Be knowledgeable about and follow all Little League rules, including Local Rules.
- Not trade players without the prior knowledge or consent of the Player Agent or President.
- Assist in field preparation, maintenance and cleanup.
- Prohibit parents and other persons from assuming a coaching role during Little League events without submitting a Little League volunteer application.

- I understand I am responsible for addressing behavior issues with my coaches, my players, and the family members and fans of my players
- Attend all mandatory W.A.L.L. meetings, trainings, and clinics.
- Handle administrative requirements of the team. This includes reporting all scores and game summary to the league's Information officer either by email, or the online form on the website.
- Attend tryouts and draft team.
- Hold a team and parent meeting **BEFORE** first practice date.
- Select a team parent, scorekeeper volunteer, and explain parental snack bar duties.
- Participate in All Star Tournament team selection (AA and up).
- Work with all W.A.L.L. personnel and accept the decisions of the W.A.L.L. Board of Directors as final.
- Learn and abide by National Little League Rules and Regulations ("Green Book"), as well as W.A.L.L. Local League rules.

Manager/Coach Selection

- Selection of Managers, Coaches, and umpires is in local league jurisdiction and is not subject to intervention from District, Regional, or National Little League Headquarters.
- Watsonville American Little League uses the feedback received on the previous Season Evaluations when evaluating Manager/Coach applications.

I understand that **Watsonville American Little League** is committed to providing a safe, healthy and positive experience for children while teaching them baseball skills. I understand that failure to live up to any one of these promises may result in suspension and/or dismissal from coaching.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date