**Dear Parents and Players:**

***The purpose of this letter is to outline the New Trier Youth Travel Baseball (NTYTB) Summer Travel Program conditions for eligibility and attendance policies. Please read this carefully and bring a signed copy of this letter to the first day of your tryout.***

The goal of NTYTB program is to provide our advanced players with a more competitive baseball experience. Tryouts are conducted prior to the start of the season to ensure each player is place on a team commensurate with his abilities. Ideally, we look to accommodate all players who demonstrate the ability to play at this advanced level. However, as each team is limited to a maximum of 12 players, there may not be enough slots to accommodate everyone and cuts may need to be made. Please be assured that all efforts are made to ensure roster decisions are made as fairly and equitably as possible.

**Eligibility Requirements:**

All players selected to the NTYTB program are obligated to the following:

1. For 8U-11U, play on a KWBA or Glencoe House League team from April - June and participate in at least 60% of their scheduled house league games (barring injury).
2. Attend the 2 day tryout or else make appropriate accommodations with the NTYTB;
3. Satisfy the age eligibility rules listed on the KWBA web site:
   * [http://www.kwba.org/](http://www.kwba.org/Default.aspx?pid=100688&tabindex=4&tabid=6150)
4. Agree not to play on any other travel team (Substitution for another NTYTB team is permitted)
5. Comply with the Attendance Policy as outlined below

**Attendance Policy:**

During the upcoming Lake Shore Feeder Baseball League (LSFBL) season (approximately from Memorial Day weekend through the end of July), each player is expected to attend all regularly scheduled events. However, understanding that our families may face an unavoidable event that requires a player’s absence, one (1) excused absence will be allowed during the season. An excused absence is defined as ***a single absence of no more than four (4) consecutive days outside of the following periods:***

* + *June 22-29\* (targeting): Cooperstown Tournament (12 year olds only)*
  + *July 14 – 21\* (targeting): LSFBL playoffs, all teams*

*Note: No mandatory events will be scheduled from July 3rd-5th*

**Consequences:**

1. *First offense: bat last and minimum defensive innings*
2. *Second offense: attend and benched one game per missed game*
3. *Third offense: consideration for lost eligibility for New Trier Youth Travel Baseball & New Trier Feeder Baseball for the following season.*

All known absences must be disclosed to the NTYTB as soon as possible to ensure that accommodations can be made to ensure the team has an appropriate allotment of players. Please note that family emergencies and other extraordinary absences will be considered separately. This Commitment Letter must be signed by both player and parent and turned in at the first day of tryouts. A player will not be selected tor a team without a signed commitment letter.

Player (print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent (print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Player (signature) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent (signature) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\* Dates are target dates and once finalized will be communicated to players and parents

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO: [TRAVEL.COMMISSIONER@KWBA.ORG](mailto:TRAVEL.COMMISSIONER@KWBA.ORG?subject=Travel%20Commitment%20Letter)