



Falls Baseball

Parent Meeting



Booster Club Officers

- President- Teri Zuteck (zuteckt@pearlandisd.org)
- Vice President- Steve Griffin (spodabe2002@yahoo.com).
- Treasurer– Ami Lillard (lillardfamily@gmail.com)
- Secretary – Erin Dieter (erindieter@gmail.com)
- Booster Club email – clearfallsbaseballboosterclub@gmail.com



Coaching Staff

- **Head Coach - Gene Flores**
(eflores1@ccisd.net)
 - University of Houston 2000 – 05
 - Boston Red Sox affiliation 2005 – 06
- **Sophomore – Parker Zitzke**
(pzitzke@ccisd.net)
 - Carroll University 2015 - 19
 - Galveston Ball High School 2021 – 24
- **Varsity Assistant - Tyler Zarella**
(tzarella@ccisd.net)
 - Alvin Community College 2017 - 20
 - Houston Christian University 2020 - 22
 - Tennessee Tech University 2022 – 23
- **Volunteer Coach – Kyle Kohlhafer**
 - Fayetteville Tech 2020 - 21
 - Galveston College 2021 – 23
 - University of Houston Clear Lake 2023 – 26
- **Junior Varsity – Gustavo Valdes**
(gvaldes@ccisd.net)
 - University of Houston-Victoria 2017 - 22



Coach's Corner

- Thank you to Mrs. Novominsky for pizza and concessions.
- Coaching Expectations.
- Classroom Expectations/Student Code of conduct.
- Parent Expectations
 - Support program and all CCISD staff.
 - Game Etiquette/UMPIRES



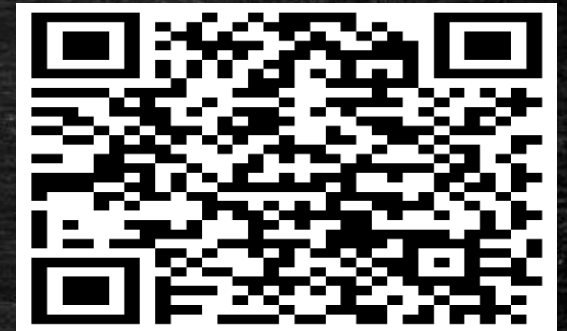
Forms & Communication

- Electronic signatures for player packets are due Friday, January 30th. The forms and electronic signature are located at www.clearfallsbaseball.org under the documents page. A parent electronic signature is required.

<https://forms.office.com/r/NssnKaFcGY?origin=lprLink>

- Sign up for the Falls Baseball Parents **Sports You App** to receive communication from coaches.

Baseball Policies



Parents Sports You





Parent/Player Important Information

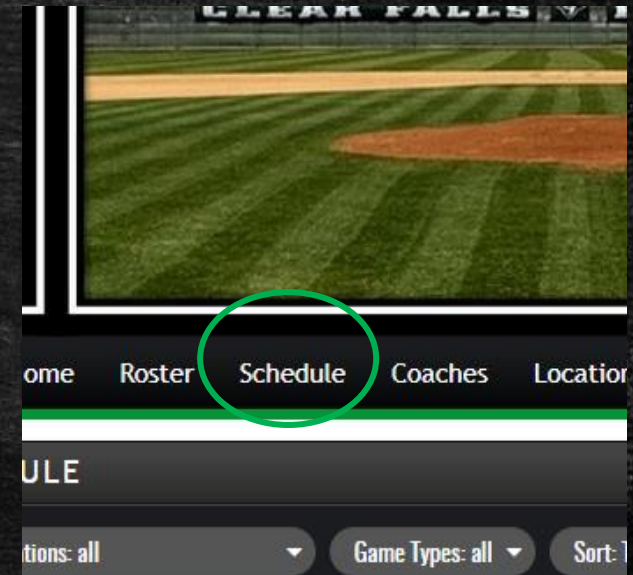
- Parent/Player workday is scheduled for February 7th, pending weather.
 - Power washers are needed
 - New Screens need assembling
 - Zip Tie any loose screens (Possible Ladders)
- Media Day/ Senior Banner Pictures February 3rd at 5:30 @ CFHS
- February 14th Marathon Day 10:00 – 1:00.
- Team pictures will be February 18th starting 7th pd through after school.
 - Practice will follow
- Players/Trainers use the following [SportsYou app](#).



Schedules, Game Meals, & Transportation



- Schedules for games are posted online.
 - Please be very flexible with players moving up and down.
 - You can subscribe to the NFHS website to watch games.
- We will provide meals for traveling tournament trips.
 - Won't apply during district unless it's the out-of-town Brazoswood game.
- Alternate Transportation Form must be returned before our first scrimmage.





Practice Uniforms

- Practice uniform will consist of grey or white pants and a green Falls baseball shirt. Stirrup pants are permitted. Cold weather gear is provided and expected to be worn during inclement wear. 73 ° rule for sleeves.
- No white socks allowed under uniform. Must be Green or Black, pending uniform color.
- Purchase Green/Black belt and socks from any sporting goods store.
- Players must purchase at least 1 Green Falls baseball shirt and 1 pair of Falls baseball shorts. (\$30 a set)
- Players are assigned 1 hat. Replacement hats are \$40.
- Letterman jacket sizing will be after the season is completed.

Uniforms





Injuries & Academics

- Report any injuries to coaching staff, Ath. Trainers Coach Tamantha Wofford-Ezeji or Coach Fred Miller BEFORE going to a doctor.
 - Dr. visits will almost guarantee time off and you will need a clearance note to participate in any physical activity.
 - Trainers can also help coordinate an orthopedic visit if necessary.
 - CCISD insurance may be purchased through the district.
 - Coach Tamantha Wofford-Ezeji- 281-284-984 - twofford-ezeji@ccisd.net.
 - Coach Fred Miller – 281-284-1262- fmiller@ccisd.net.
- Tutorials are every day during R.I.S.E. period. (9:55 – 10:25)
 - Players are REQUIRED to be at practice.
 - If a special circumstance arises, contact your coach PRIOR to the practice/game conflict.



During Season

- Saturdays are planned practice days until further notice.
- Pitching lessons during the season are prohibited. Hitting/Catching/Defense are encouraged.
- Participation (including practice) on any outside team during the season is not allowed.
- SPRING BREAK- Two District Games and Practice
- Games are not scheduled on GOOD Friday unless forced by weather.
- Players are responsible for letting us know when they will be absent from school/practice. Communicate ahead of time.



Contacting Coaches

- Preferred method is email. Please allow 24 hours for a response.
- Do NOT contact or approach coaches post game for any concerns. Unless it's an emergency.
- Coaching from the stands will not be tolerated. This includes speaking to players near the dugout area. Remain in the stands.
- Coaches will not discuss playing time with a parent. Players should initiate this conversation and an open line of communication with player and coach is encouraged. Player will relay communication to parents.
- Concerns other than playing time are encouraged. We will gladly assist or meet. However, meetings should be productive and will be with all parties involved.



Social Media

- If you would like to see something Tweeted, please share with Coach Flores or Coach Zarella.
- Twitter (X): @ClearFallsBB
- Facebook: Clear Falls Baseball
- What you post is open for public eyes. So be very conscious of what you post.



Spectator Conduct Reminder (UIL Policy)

- Umpires and game officials have the authority to remove any individual from the stands. This is a recently adopted UIL policy. SB 2929
- Any person removed from the event will not be permitted to re-enter the stadium. A team may be subject to forfeiture due to inappropriate parent or spectator behavior.
- Officials, like all humans, will make mistakes. Maintaining respectful behavior helps keep situations calm and does not negatively impact our program. Yelling or confronting officials is counterproductive.
- Please allow the coaching staff to address and communicate with game officials when necessary.
- **No ALCOHOL/SMOKING**
 - The possession or use of alcohol, vaping devices, or tobacco products is prohibited at all UIL and high school–sponsored events



College Recruiting

- **Division I (D1)**

- Coaches *cannot* contact student-athletes (or parents) before **August 1 of the athlete's junior year** of high school. That includes emails, calls, texts, and social media.
- After August 1, coaches can communicate freely.
- **Official visits** (paid by the school) can begin **September 1 of junior year** and *unofficial visits* may also begin then.

- **Division II**

- Coach communications, official visits, and off-campus contact can start **June 15 after sophomore year**.

- **Division III, NAIA, and JUCO**

- Have *more flexible* or no NCAA recruiting windows in many cases.



College Recruiting

- Communication Tips for Parents

- Encourage your athlete to **email coaches directly**, including links to videos and academic info.
- You *can* make follow-up contacts, but focus on being *supportive* rather than leading the recruiting conversation.
- During the NCAA contact period, coaches *may* reach out to you as well; use that time to ask about scholarships, academic support, and expectations.

- Watch Out for Scams & Misleading Camps

- Check with us before signing up or attending camps. Most colleges are moving towards sight based recruiting as well as leaning the portal.



College Recruiting

- **Best Platforms for Baseball Recruiting**
 - X (Twitter) – Primary Recruiting Platform
 - This is the **#1 platform** used by college baseball coaches.
- **What to post:**
 - Game clips (10–30 seconds)
 - Velocity updates (verified when possible)
 - Metrics (exit velo, pop time, 60 time, etc.)
 - Commitment announcements
 - Academic achievements
 - Only retweet your stuff



Road to Round Rock

- It takes the whole village to succeed and help us reach our goals!
- Be part of the program success without being a distraction!

GO KNIGHTS