Thank you for volunteering to coach Southern Lehigh Spring Baseball.

At our January meeting, we passed a new rule that requires every coach (head coaches and assistants) to complete all required safety and background information before a coach can participate in any baseball-related activities. These include, but are not limited to, the draft, practices, and team communications. To make this as easy and streamlined as possible all required SLYB League information will be requested in the coach's application. Please note our drafts usually occur in the 2nd week of February, so please don't delay.

Once your coaching application is complete, you will receive an email from JDP or JD Palatine on behalf of Little League. You must fill out their background check as well. This is also a requirement that needs to be completed prior to coaching.

Southern Lehigh Youth Baseball Coaches Application (Application Here)

To complete this application, you will need to complete all the trainings listed below. All courses except AED provide a course completion certificate. Save your certificates. You will need to upload the certificates in the coach's application.

Course certificates you completed for prior seasons or for other sports are not acceptable.

Required Trainings:

AED

<u>USA Baseball Abuse Awareness for Adults</u> You will need to create a USA Baseball account to complete the courses. Once registered go to education, courses, and select Coach "A" Certification.

<u>USA Baseball Basic First Aid</u> This training is in the same section as above. CDC Heads Up Concussion Training

All coaches will also need to upload their current Pennsylvania State Police and PA Child Abuse History Clearance

Even if you have submitted these in the past, you will need to do it again. Background checks are good for 60 months. If your clearances will expire during the season, please complete a new one now. If you do not have current background checks to upload, please click the hyperlinks above to apply for new ones. Make sure to choose New Volunteer.

If you have not lived in PA for 10 or more years you will also need to complete a Federal Criminal History Check. That check can be done by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Service Code is <u>1KG6ZJ</u> Select Volunteer as purpose. When you receive your results for the FBI background check, please save them as a PDF and email them to <u>southernlehighclearances@gmail.com</u>. Please have your name and "FBI 24" in the subject line.

I understand this may seem like a lot. However, our first job as a coach is keeping kids safe.

I thank you for your cooperation in advance. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mark Sterner Safety Director Southern Lehigh Little League