

2024 HEAT COMMITMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

At the conclusion of our Spring season, WVGS puts together Tournament Teams for all divisions. These teams start practicing at the beginning of May and play tournaments from the middle of May until the end of July. These tournaments are played against other leagues in Southern California. If you would like to be considered for inclusion on a WVGS Tournament Team, please read this application carefully.

Being selected for a tournament team is an honor, but more importantly, it's a major commitment. Teams typically practice 2 - 3 times per week and tournaments are scheduled from May 2024 and take up virtually every weekend through the end of July 2024.

West Valley is intending to field 1-6U, 2-8U, 3-10U, & 1-12U teams for this Spring Heat season.

Heat Managers Interest Deadline: April 19

Heat Players Interest Deadline: April 29

Heat Office Hours for all Interested Players: April 20 @ 1:00 pm - Outside Snack Shack

Heat Manager Interviews: April 24-28

Heat Managers Selected: April 30

Heat Players Selected: May 1

Last Day of Recreational Season: May 4

Heat Practices Can Start: May 5

All-Star Season: May 5-July 31

Confirmed Tournaments:

Moorpark, May 10-12: All Divisions (6U, 8U, 10U, 12U)

ESO, May 17-19: All Divisions (6U, 8U, 10U, 12U)

Thousand Oaks, May 25-26: All Divisions (6U, 8U, 10U, 12U)

Huntington Beach, May 31- June 2: All Divisions (8U, 10U, 12U)

WVGS, June 7-9: All Divisions (6U, 8U, 10U, 12U)

Simi Valley, June 14-16: 8U, 10U, 12U, Gold/ Bronze team only

C Districts (Silver Teams TBD) June 14-16: Location TBD

Local B Districts (Gold Teams) & Possibly Silver Teams, June 21-23: Location TBD

Local C States (need to qualify) - Silver (8U, 10U & 12U) June 27-30: Lancaster, CA
B States (need to qualify) - Gold (8U, 10U & 12U) July 4-7: Lancaster, CA
B Pacific Coast Regionals (need to qualify) - 8U July 19-21: San Diego, CA - 8U ONLY
B Western Nationals (need to qualify) - 10U July 29-August 4: Medford, OR- 10U ONLY
B Western Nationals (need to qualify) - 12U July 29-August 4: Medford, OR- 12U ONLY

Please Note – It is very important to list all possible conflicts when registering your player.

Please understand that the spot you may take is a spot that another dedicated and qualified player will not receive. Games are typically on Saturday and Sunday, but Friday games are possible.

Should the team qualify for State, Regional or National championships they could travel out of the state. In addition to your time commitment, the average cost per tournament player is roughly \$395.00 + cost of uniform. This amount includes tournament fees, 1 practice shirt & yard sign for your All-Star. This does not include uniforms, food, travel, or lodging expenses, which may be incurred depending on tournament location. Scholarships are not available for Tournament Team play. Please make sure you can meet the financial obligation before committing to a team.

Teams will be selected on May 1st and tournaments will start as soon as May 10, 2024. Please be sure to list ALL conflicts you may have between 5/10 - 7/31/24 and email all-star coordinator the conflict dates.

6U Heat ends June 9th

If a WVGS Heat Team qualifies for States and Nationals the team MUST attend or our league is penalized next year. Selections for "Gold" and "Silver" teams will be made on May 1st and notifications will occur shortly thereafter. A withdrawal from a Heat Team after it has been drafted will result in a 1-year suspension from the Heat Program.

The managers in each division vote to place the majority of players onto each team. The league's focus is to put together the best overall teams for tournament play. Attitude, dependability, dedication, sportsmanship, experience and overall skill are all important factors in selecting players for our Tournament Teams. Although previous

experience may be considered, prior participation on a Tournament Team does not guarantee a spot on any future team. A complete set of the Tournament Team Selection Rules can be found on our website at www.wvgs.org.

TWINS/SISTERS: If you have daughters that are twins or sisters within the same age group, please notify below whether you wish they be selected on the same team, if they are selected as Heat players. Please note, if the twins/sisters are selected separately between the gold and silver teams and the parent wishes them to be on the same team the twin/sister initially selected on the gold team will be placed on the silver team. If one twin/sister is selected on either the gold/silver team and the other is not on either team, there is no automatic placement of the non-selected twin/sister. Please identify during the registration your preference if registering twins/sisters.

UNIFORMS: Players will be able to order new or additional jerseys, socks or other Heat apparel through the WVGS Online Store. Jerseys will need to be ordered by May 2, 2024, to ensure timely delivery from the vendor. This year we will also be ordering red pants as part of our uniform. During the player registration process, please ensure you include your player's preferred jersey number. The player who has the most tenure with WVGS will get priority over jersey number.

ONLINE PLAYER REGISTRATION: If you are interested in being considered for your division's Heat team(s), please visit www.wvgs.org to register. No payment is due at this time – if your player is selected, the estimated fee for participation is expected to be \$195 for 6U and \$395 for all other divisions.

Is your daughter a pitcher or catcher? Would you like to have her considered to be automatically placed on the Silver Heat Team? If so, please respond to allstars@wvgs.org in writing prior to April 30th.

Please note, we cannot guarantee placement on the silver (or any) team. Automatic placement means the player will be given the opportunity to pitch/catch; however, the position must still be earned throughout the Heat season. There is no guarantee of playing time. A pitcher or catcher that does not want to be considered for automatic placement on the silver team will still be eligible to pitch/catch if she makes a Heat Team.

Can I choose my team? Some divisions may have enough qualified players for both a "Gold" and a "Silver" team. A player may NOT choose which team they are placed on.

Are volunteer shifts required? Yes.

Each HEAT player's family will be responsible for two (2) hour snack shack or field prep shifts during our Jessica Roberts Memorial Tournament June 7-9. We will be requiring two \$100 checks that will be returned after completion of snack shack or field maintenance hours. You can also buy out your shifts in advance for \$200.

By adding your daughter's name to the interest list on www.wvgs.org you are acknowledging that you have read this letter of intent and agree to the time commitment. If you have any questions, please email Courtney Galdos, WVGS All Star Coordinator, at allstars@wvgs.org.

West Valley Girls Softball