



WEST BROWNSVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE

MISSION

West Brownsville Little League (WBLL) strives to provide a healthy environment in which the youth of our community can play Baseball and Softball. We strive to provide quality instruction in the development of baseball/softball skills while teaching the qualities of sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, loyalty, integrity, competitiveness, fair play, and community pride.

West Brownsville Little League, an IRS-approved 501c3 non-profit entity, is recognized as the oldest youth sports organization in our community with a record of 70+ years of continuous operation since 1952. Our league operates under the auspices of Little League International, one of the largest volunteer organizations in the US and the world. Locally, our board is made up of 20+ volunteer members whose primary focus is to grow our league and steer its year-round activities. The league conducts its regular activities with an army of volunteers who serve as team managers, coaches, team moms, and Challenger Division buddies. We register boys and girls aged 4-15 for baseball and softball. We are also very proud of the recent addition of our Challenger Division for children with special needs. We strongly believe in the inclusivity of all children of all abilities.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WBLL maintains a 20+ member Board of Directors whose primary focus is to manage and steer the monthly activities of the league. Serving on our board can be rewarding and professionally fulfilling. Board member obligations include participation in periodic meetings that vary depending on the time of year. Board members also participate in fundraising, vendor selection, sponsor recruitment, coaching search, park maintenance, player registration, and game scheduling. Experience in baseball or softball is not required. Board members are elected annually at the general membership meeting held on or around the third Tuesday in October. To be considered, nomination forms should be completed and returned at least one week before the election meeting.

Term: Board members serve a one-year term unless elected to an officer position. Officers serve a two-year term.

Meetings / Activities: Vary by month, as needed, with a minimum of one event each month July through December, and two or more per month January through June.

Time Commitment: (July – December) Five to ten hours per month; (January – June) ten to twenty hours per month.

Nominations: To nominate yourself or someone else for a position on the West Little League Board, please complete the attached Nomination Application. The nominee must complete the question-and-answer section. This information is confidential and will only be shared with our WBLL nominating committee. In addition, to the information below, all prospective board members and league volunteers must complete a background check annually for the safety of our players. Information received during the background check process is only shared between our League Safety Officer and President.

Board Member Nomination Application

Nominated By: _____

Nominee Name: _____

Mobile Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Current address: _____

Present Occupation / Employer: _____

This portion MUST be completed by the nominee.

- 1) Please list years of volunteer experience as a team manager/coach:
- 2) Please list years of volunteer experience and positions with any other youth activities:
- 3) Please list positions/duties at your last two places of employment including your current employer (if applicable):
- 4) Do you currently have any family members on a WBLL team? _____
- 5) Are you currently a team manager or coach at WBLL? _____
- 6) Briefly describe what interests you in becoming a WBLL board member:

7) Which of your skills would you like to utilize on the Board?
Check all those that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board development | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial management | <input type="checkbox"/> Training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program development | <input type="checkbox"/> Time | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball/Softball
knowledge | <input type="checkbox"/> Community networking | <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities management |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

8) What would you like to get for yourself out of your participation on the Board, e.g., what types of experiences, skills to develop, interests to cultivate for you, community involvement, etc.?

9) Have you served (or are currently serving) on any other non-profit boards? If so, which one(s) and what is/was your role?

10) How much time will you be able to commit to our board activities per month?

11) If you are not selected as a member of the Board, or if you decide not to join, would you like to be a volunteer to assist our organization in various ways that match your skills and interests?

- Yes No Perhaps

I, the undersigned, would like to be considered for a position on the West Brownsville Little League Board.

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return the completed application to West Brownsville Little League, Attn: Information Officer, via email at WestBrownsvilleLL@gmail.com.

This application will be kept confidential and on file with the WBLL office. Applications are used by the Board's Nominating Committee to identify and evaluate potential board candidates. All new board members are elected by a majority vote of eligible members.