



THE NATIONAL SCHOOL OF BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2017

May Student of the Month



Ryan had an incredible season for his varsity baseball team at Lake Park HS. We are so proud of him.

STATS

Record	2-1
Innings:	20.1
ER	1
ERA	0.344
Strikeouts	15
Walks	11

Check out our latest
YouTube video

“Students in Action”

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=LdP5vz5_KtY&t=2s&in-
dex=4&list=PL7cPF4MVsk3H4WD-
4Qq3lHTAmPHTWhMobP](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdP5vz5_KtY&t=2s&index=4&list=PL7cPF4MVsk3H4WD-4Qq3lHTAmPHTWhMobP)

Advertise with the NSOB&S

We are seeking small
businesses who would like to
engage in sponsorship or
advertising opportunities with
the NSOB&S.

Contact us for information about
getting your name on our
merchandise.

June Theme of the Month: The Sandlot

Watch the movie and learn why these incredible young boys became so good at the game. This is such a popular way of learning, it is now called "Sandlot Learning". Learn from each other, especially when you have players who have something to offer in terms of good mechanics.



MOVIE TRIVIA!

Check answers on the last page.

- 1) What was "Smalls" first name?
- 2) What brand of shoes made you run faster and jump higher?
- 3) How much did a baseball cost in the movie?
- 4) What was the one night a year they played a night game?
- 5) Who was the last one to move away?

CHECK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Travel Team tryouts start earlier and earlier every year!
Many organizations are holding theirs in July.
Come in for your tune-up. Let us evaluate where you are and help you get rid of those weak links and make you better.



A Message from Coach Pete:

As a coach and an instructor, one thing you cannot do is assume anything, especially when it comes to a player's previous training, coaching and knowledge. I constantly witness coaches yelling and screaming because their players are not 100% sure what to do on every play. Yelling and screaming does nothing but degrade and demean a player. They learn nothing.

Most of you know I am not a yeller or a screamer. However, I am human and do get frustrated. About a week ago, I was conducting a team practice working on defense. As the situations became more complicated the players became more confused. They just did not know what they should do with the ball or where to go when the ball was hit to them all the time. Even though we had gone through a lot of this at practices, it wasn't sinking in and I wasn't sure why. I pulled all the players together and asked one simple question that put everything into perspective.

"How many of you have been taught this stuff before you came on this team?" Half of the kids said they had not.

I made a horrible assumption. That being, even at 9 & 10 years old many players are not taught the art of playing defense, meaning: "What do I do with the ball in all situations when it is hit to me? "What do I do or where do I go when the ball is not hit to me?"

With their honesty came my understanding. So, I took some time to just talk, simplify and demonstrate. It was a "teaching moment."

The point is, if a player or players are struggling with something, talk to them and ask questions. Do not assume and do not pull the "You should know this stuff by now" card. Just because you think they should know, it does not mean they do, or they just might not completely understand.

Most importantly do NOT punish your players with some kind of physical activity. This teaches them nothing. You may think it does, but it doesn't. They become afraid to make a mistake. They are just kids. Besides, look in the mirror and ask yourself when was the last time you made a mistake, like at work. When you did, did someone punish you and make you do push-ups, sit-ups or burpees as punishment? I highly doubt it.

Never assume. Talk to your players. Communicate. Give them a voice. Know when a "teaching moment" arrives. Teaching means: Educate & Demonstrate. What will follow is Motivate & Create.

New Facility Update

Coming Soon:

THE NSOBS'S FIRST INDOOR HOME!

Address: 23810 W. Industrial Drive, Plainfield, IL

Still to come: - Cage Rentals (for individuals, groups, teams)

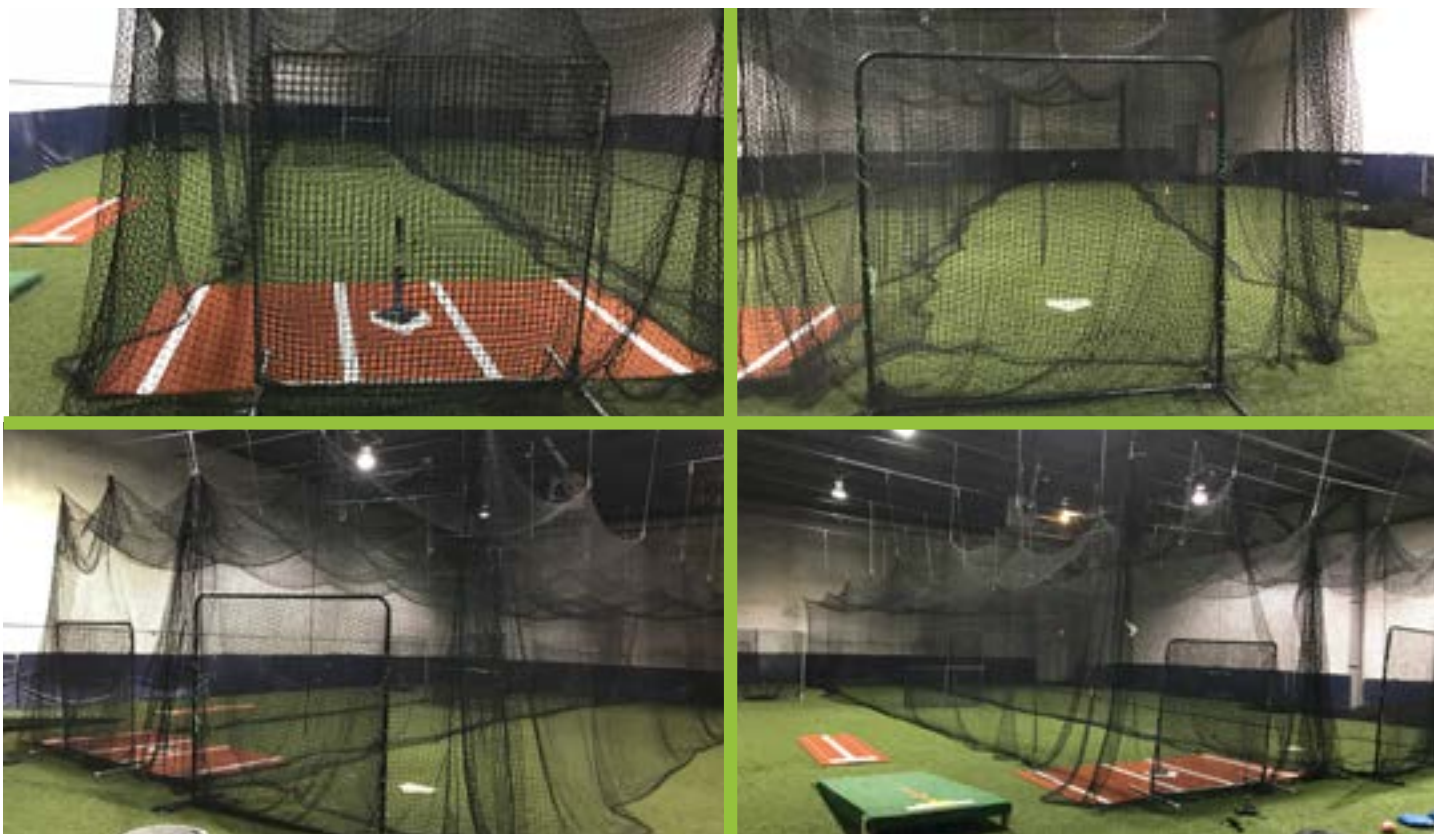
- Pitching Machines

- Radar Gun

- Lessons

- Summer Clinics and Summer Camps.

WATCH FOR OUR GRAND OPENING.



Movie trivia answers:

1) Scotty

2) PF Flyers

3) 98 cents

4) Fourth of July

5) Scotty Smalls

SUMMER 6-WEEK CLINICS

WHEN

Every Wednesday Starting at **10:00am** and going throughout the day beginning **Wednesday July 12th** and continuing through **Wednesday August 16th.**

WHERE

NSoBS Facility
23810 W. Industrial Drive
Plainfield, IL

Each student will receive a FREE t-shirt and Certificate of Completion on the last day. Groups will be created based on age and ability. Family discounts as well as discounts for attending multiple clinics will be available.

CLINICS

Baseball Hitting	60 minutes	\$120
Softball Hitting	60 minutes	\$120
Baseball Pitching	90 minutes	\$180
Softball Pitching	90 minutes	\$180
General Skills	90 minutes	\$180

Any questions please email, text or call Coach Pete.

To Register & Pay:

<http://www.nationalschoolofbaseball.com/pricing/>

Please include: Which clinic and the child's name & age