

- Coach Introduction
  - Roles coaches will play in the program
- Tryouts
  - Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> (1 to 3 days)
  - Ken Price Field or HJH Gym 3 P.M. – 6 P.M.
  - 60 YD Dash, 5-10-5 Shuttle, Tee Exit Velo, Arm Velo, Defense and Offense Rating
  - Pitching
- School and Grade Eligibility
  - 2.0 G.P.A. with no more than 1 F
  - Unexcused absences will result in game suspension the following week per MHS rules.
- Physical Exam
  - FirstMed Murray \$25 if you tell them you are with Murray H.S.
  - Under 18 years old must have parent/guardian
- Register My Athlete
  - Must have register my athlete completed
  - This link is on baseball website
- Roster Space
  - MHS Baseball does not enroll a large roster for the 3 levels of teams (Varsity, JV, Sophs).
  - Playing time is prioritized for the top players at all levels.
  - Tryouts are not held to find backup or second/third string players.
  - Not making the roster does not exclude a player from further opportunities to tryout.
  - Young players cut are encouraged to tryout in the future as opportunities may be more prevalent in Spring 2023 on the sophomore level and possibly JV level team.
- Summer Tryouts
  - Posted on the baseball website
  - Two teams (soph and varsity)
  - Not affiliated with MHS
  - No current seniors play summer and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are eligible to tryout
- Fall Baseball
  - Fall baseball workouts will be open to those who made and did not make the Spring and/or Summer rosters.
- Fees
  - \$350 paid to MHS Baseball for Spring
  - Summer Fee will be approximately \$150
  - Personalized jerseys will be extra if players vote on getting them
- Uniforms
  - Uniforms Jerseys and jackets will be issued and need to be returned
  - Pants will be issued, or players can purchase their own PRO150P from Rawlings (Greys and Whites)
- Apparel
  - Players will be issued some team apparel
  - Extra apparel can be purchased
- Communication
  - Murraybaseball.org
  - Remind.com (Text the following: @vprepadult to the number 81010)
- Game Days
  - Players will miss class quite a bit.
  - Daily excusals from Coach Wilson will be sent to the schools
  - Player may ride to game with parent if can't miss class (get stuff from locker prior).
  - Busses leave from Ken Price Field about 1 ½ hours prior to game start time.
  - Bus returns after final game played
  - Locker room opens when final bus returns unless a coach returns early for some reason.
  - JV/Soph are doubleheaders during Region 6 play. Look closely at start times.

- Spring Trip to St. George
  - Schedule is on website (March 17, 18 and 19)
  - Miss school Thursday and Friday that week
  - Players stay with family
  - Coach has a few rooms available \$130 - \$140 per night at Clarion Suites 3/17 & 3/18
  - All players invited – Varsity players will play nearly 100% of the innings.
- Playing on teams outside of MHS Baseball
  - Players are allowed and at times encouraged to participate on travel/showcase teams between the months of June – January.
  - Beginning Summer 2021: Players must inform Coach Wilson and get his approval if they intend to have Coach Wilson help them play at the next level or be nominated for any awards.
- Use of Private Coaching/Instructors
  - Use of private coaching is on your own. Buyer beware! Because you pay someone doesn't mean anything.
  - Have a specific problem you want the instructor to fix. If he can't then stop paying!
- Actual Performance vs. Fabricated Nonsense
  - DO NOT take "tall tale" stories at face value.
  - Many players and parents will talk "numbers" or "plans" about themselves, their kids or other players in the valley. Only a fraction is ever true. We celebrate and want player achievement, but it's got to be legit.
  - Let the big talkers talk, they always will, but don't take what they say as always being factual.
  - This talk often leads to others feeling inferior or left out of something BIG out there.
  - Coach Wilson will be happy to find out facts or give a healthy perspective on all things "high school baseball" in Utah. Remember, the highlights you see on social media don't show the strikeouts and errors.
- Player Behavior and Expectations
  - Players are expected to be competitive but are to never talk trash or demean a MHS teammate.
  - Players are expected to play their grade level. Anything more is a bonus and should be seen as such.
  - No player is entitled to any position or playing level.
  - Do not assume 1 good hit or play justifies moving up or starting. A culmination of long-term performance or consistency is a better measurement.
  - If the player doesn't play the same position as someone else there is no use even worrying about how that other player does when discussing playing opportunities.
  - A player that CAN play a position is different than a player who CAN play the position better.
  - It is expected players may be asked to play other positions just to get them in the line-up.
  - Players caught degrading other teammates or questioning why they aren't getting "the love" will be subject to game suspensions or team removal.
- Role Player Needed
  - Possibility of a player needed to be on the team as a full-time bullpen catcher to warm-up pitchers before and during varsity and sub-varsity games. Catching experience not required but must be able to catch decent pitching. Playing time in games is not a guarantee and most likely would not happen. Team travel and apparel. No player fee. Catching gear provided.
- Wrap Up
  - If you ever want a quick and honest outlook of what Coach Wilson has in store for your son just ask. WARNING: It may or may not be what you want to hear so prepare yourself.
  - Good luck to all players who tryout
  - Good luck to those who do not make the team and tryout again in the future