



WVS PREMIER BASEBALL ACADEMY

2022-2023 Open House Information

Land Acknowledgement



We would like to acknowledge and thank the Squamish Nation upon whose traditional territory West Vancouver Schools reside.

We would like to express our gratitude to this Nation as we value the opportunity to learn and share educational experiences on this traditional territory.



Welcome & Introductions



WVS Teacher & Head Coach

Brooks McNiven

- 1999 Drafted by the Blue Jays 46th Round
- 1999-2003 UBC player
- 2003 Drafted in 4th Round San Francisco Giants
- 2003 NAIA Region 1 Player of the Year
- 2003-2009 San Francisco Giants (high as AAA)
- 2007 World Cup of Baseball w Team Canada in Taiwan
- 2008 Beijing Olympics with Team Canada
- 2008 Olympic Qualifier w Team Canada
- 2009 Baseball World Cup: Bronze medal)
- 2009-2011 Pitching Coach Douglas College
- 2011- Present Pitching Coach North Shore Twins
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- 2012-14 Coach BC Summer Games
- 2012- Present Teacher in WVS
- 2013 Team BC Coach for Canada Games
- 2014 Team BC Coach for U17 Canada Cup
- 2014 Team BC Coach for Blue Jays T12
- 2015 & 16 Team BC Coach for U17 Canada Cup
- 2016 Team BC Coach for Blue Jays T12
- 2017 Team BC Coach for Canada Games
- 2017 Masters Degree – High Performance Sport (UBC)

Ken Mackenzie

Assistant Coach



- Retired Teacher: 1972-2005
- Bachelor of Arts – History Major
- Simon Fraser University
- Killarney Secondary School
- Socials Studies & English
- Department Head – Socials Studies
- Instructor – Okanagan Big League Experience Baseball Camp 1986-2002
- Western Canada Games Baseball Coach
- Team BC Selects Coach (2 years)
- Canada Games Baseball Coach (3 years)
- Team B.C. Coach (female baseball 3 years)
- Coach – NV Girls Softball Association
- 2015- Present – Head Coach: Women's Provincial Team

David Corrente

Assistant Coach



Highlights

- Former Minor League Baseball catcher, played in the minor leagues from 2001 to 2008
- Team Canada Senior National Team 2006-2008
- Played for Team Canada in 2008 Summer Olympic Games
- Drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in the 14th round of the 2001 Major League Baseball (MLB) Draft
- Played in the Blue Jays minor league system from 2001 – 2008 as a catcher; was a .238 career minor league hitter, and had 252 hits in 1228 at bats

Lachlan Fontaine

Assistant Coach



- North Van Central Little League
- 2008-2013 North Shore Twins
- 2013 Drafted by the Mariners in the 13 round
- 2012-2013 Canadian National Junior Team
- 2013 U18 World Championships
- 2013-2016 - Seattle Mariners Rookie Ball
- 2016 - Present - Capitales De Quebec

Ivan Hartle

WVS Teacher on Call

Assistant Coach



- 2005-2008 Starting Shortstop for Coquitlam Reds
- 2007-2008 Canadian Junior National Baseball Team
- 2008 Competed for Canada at the IBAF World Junior Baseball Championship in Edmonton, AB
- 2008-2101 Starting middle infielder for IOWA Western Community College
- 2010 NJCAA Academic All-American
- 2010 Winner of the Junior College World Series, named MVP
- 2010 Easton Defensive Player of the Year, Div. 1, Junior College
- 2010 Recipient of the Rawlings Gold Glove Award NJCAA
- 2010-2012 Starting middle infielder at NCAA Div. 1 Western Kentucky University
- 2012 NCAA Capital One Academic All-District team



Brian Gillis

**Baseball Academy
Strength Coach**

Coaching Experience

- Assistant Coach: Team BC Field Lacrosse U14
- Coach 2016 Sheffield Men's Lacrosse Team
- Burnaby Mountain Selects Summer Camps 2012-15
- North Shore Minor Box Lacrosse Coach
- North Shore Field Lacrosse Assistant Coach 2009
- Ireland Men's lacrosse Team
- 2015 World Indoor Box Lacrosse Championships
- 2014 World Field Lacrosse Championship
- 2011 World Indoor Box Lacrosse Championships
- 2010 World Field Lacrosse Championships

Personal Credentials

- 2014-2016 Coquitlam Adanacs -Western Lacrosse Association
- New England College NCAA Men's Lacrosse
- 4 Year playing attack man: 3 year starter
- Captain senior year
- 2013 USILA All American
- 2013 USILA Scholar All American
- 2013 North South game for accomplished athletes
- 2013 New England College Athlete of the year and Lacrosse Athlete of the year
- 2012-2013 NAC first team all conference player
- Freshman New England College Rookie of the Year

General Concept

- For students registered full time in any one of WVS 3 secondary schools
- Inclusive - designed for all WVS students
- Grades 8-12
- All genders (based on a try-out/assessment)



About the Academy

This sports academy has been in operation since 2012

Some highlights of our ongoing success:

5 Provincial Team players

3 National Team players

15 College baseball players

1 student drafted in MLB draft



Academy Goals

- To help students improve their overall baseball skills and abilities
- To help students improve their overall knowledge of the game
- To increase students' overall physical fitness



Academy Goals



- To introduce students to experience high performance training for the sport of baseball
- To help students develop personal plans designed to help move them to the next level in the sport
- To use the latest technology to improve performance and the overall training environment

Academy Goals

- To use ongoing feedback & encouragement to help students increase their overall confidence and self-esteem
- To provide a positive environment that includes lots of fun to help students make connections & form friendships
- To meet individual needs to motivate students to stay involved in the sport throughout their lifetime



The Schedule & Sessions

September – June

All year long (linear) within the current Semester system

Within the Semester system, the district schedule includes X-Block periods

These X-Block periods occur in the afternoons on both Tuesday & Thursday

The Baseball Academy training sessions occur during these X-Block periods from 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.



Semester System

Sample Schedule

Sample Semester Schedule				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1 8:30 - 9:50	Period 2 8:30 - 10:25	Period 4 8:30 - 9:50	Period 3 8:30 - 10:25	Period 2 8:30 - 9:50
Break 9:50 - 10:05		Break 9:50 - 10:05		Break 9:50 - 10:05
Period 2 10:05 - 11:25	Break 10:25 - 10:40	Period 3 10:05 - 11:25	Break 10:25 - 10:40	Period 1 10:05 - 11:25
Lunch 11:25 - 12:10	Period 1 10:40 - 12:35	Lunch 11:25 - 12:10	Period 4 10:40 - 12:35	Lunch 11:25 - 12:10
Period 3 12:10 - 1:30		Period 1 12:10 - 1:30		Period 3 12:10 - 1:30
Break 1:30 - 1:40	Lunch 12:35 - 1:20	Break 1:30 - 1:40	Lunch 12:35 - 1:20	Break 1:30 - 1:40
Period 4 1:40 - 3:00	X-Block Period Baseball Academy 1:30 - 4:00	Period 2 1:40 - 3:00	X-Block Period Baseball Academy 1:30 - 4:00	Period 4 1:40 - 3:00

The Training Sessions

A sample session would be:

- Baseball-specific warm-up
- Personalized training for the technical aspects of the sport
- Combination of skill development and strength & conditioning
- Small-sided games/drills
- Recognize the teachable moments to meet individual needs

***Note:**

The Health & Safety protocols determine how small-group game-play is organized and conducted



Location: The Indoor Program



Inside Performance
Indoor Baseball Training Facility

#2-1500 Railway Street
North Vancouver

Location: The Outdoor Program



Parkgate Park
1300 Parkgate Ave
North Vancouver



Bus Transportation

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First Student Canada

One-Way Drop

- Students are transported by bus from all 3 secondary schools: Rockridge, Sentinel & West Vancouver Secondary
- Tuesdays & Thursdays
- To Parkgate Park or Inside Performance
- Parents are responsible for pick-up at the conclusion of training sessions (e.g., 4:00 pm)





Courses/Credits & Assessment

Courses for Participation

Grade 8:

Physical & Health Education 8
Career Education 8

Grade 9:

Physical & Health Education 9
Career Education 9

Grade 10:

Physical & Health Education 10
BAA Theory & Principles of Baseball

Grade 11:

Fitness & Conditioning 11
Active Living 11

Grade 12:

Fitness & Conditioning 12
Active Living 12



Assessment & Evaluation

Assessment

On-going assessment & feedback each session

Report Cards

Report cards issued 3 times per year

Parent-Teacher Interviews

One formal virtual interview offered to parents

Open-door policy

Parents can contact us at any time





Clothing Kit

Clothing Kit Requirement

Mandatory Kit:

Approximately \$200 for some mandatory items:

- Team Jacket
- Under Armour Jersey
- Baseball Pants
- Baseball socks
- Hoody
- Shorts
- Hat

*If returning each year, parents only replace items when required.



Parents of registered students will be informed about the timeline/deadline to order the clothing items online before the end of the current school year.



Fees

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September – June

Tuition: \$5250

\$525 per month x 10 months

Clothing Kit

Approximately \$150 - 200





The Selection Process

Selection Process & Criteria

- ☐ Genuine interest or passion – sound reasons for applying
- ☐ Commitment to participate for the full school year
- ☐ Complete the on-line Student Information Form. The Baseball Academy coaching staff review the applications and parents are informed.
- ☐ Upload/submit the student's most recent report card as part of the registration application
- ☐ We are looking for evidence from the report card of satisfactory to excellent work habits
- ☐ We are looking for evidence (from the report card) or answers within the completed registration form:
 - Ability to work well in classrooms academically, maintaining good grades
 - Ability to consistently show good to excellent work ethic
 - Evidence of good character: being responsible & respectful
 - Ability to work well with others
 - Ability & willingness to follow the rules of the academy, including the ongoing mandatory Health & Safety protocols



Thank You