

## **Brentwood Christian Baseball - Coach Bollinger**

I have over 29 years coaching experience in the public school system and this is currently my fourth year coaching at Brentwood. I have a coaching record of 315 wins and 150 losses. I had the privilege to play 4 years of Division 1 baseball at Baylor University and Hardin-Simmons University. Also, I had the honor to coach numerous championship teams including a State Championship. Also played on the state championship team. I was also inducted into the Hall of Honor at Snyder High School as a player and a coach. It is such a blessing to be here at Brentwood and be around such great kids.

Baseball resembles the game of life. We all have God given talents. The quicker we can mesh our strengths with strengths of others on our team, the more success we will have. Working together as a team is reflected in relationships, marriages, sports, and life after sports. Working together for the same goal is more beneficial and rewarding than having a group of individually minded players. Work ethic is the foundation for anything in life. We will find ourselves in rewarding situations more often if we work hard and apply ourselves regardless of outcome. Baseball is a game of failure. How we bounce back and learn from mistakes and positively deal with situations will help us in the future.

The goal and vision of the Brentwood Christian Bear baseball staff is to provide the student-athletes with the opportunity to understand and exhibit: teamwork, dedication, discipline, determination, desire, as well as, the lifelong value of a hard work ethic. Secondly, the unselfish "team first" attitude will be expressed and reinforced. Thirdly, the student-athletes will strive to be just that, students that take care of the classroom first and athletes that take care of the field next. Both work hand and hand together. And Finally, having God involved in every aspect of this game, our team and in the very core of our lives.

The wins will come when we do the little things right. I look at success at having kids who work hard and demonstrate great Character on and off the field. There is nothing better than building relationships and bonding with team members. My goal is for these kids to grow up and be great citizens, brothers, dads, and Christian role models. I want them to have lifelong memories of their time here at Brentwood. Keeping our priorities straight will play an important role. These priorities are: God first, family, education, and baseball.