

Dear Parent of Prospective Player for Expo Program 2007

The *Expos* Baseball program is the longest running International baseball exchange program in Australia. The *Expos* have been taking young players across to the USA every year for the past 20 years. Young players who dream of playing baseball in America are provided with the opportunity through the international program and experience American family cultures through the host family exchange program.

The players are recruited and scouted on the basis of the three "A's" - Attitude, Ability and what they are going to Achieve.

Expo tours to America are not a 'holiday', however major tourist attractions such as Disneyland and Universal Studios are visited. Most of our time is spent at specialist coaching clinics and playing games against quality American teams. They also have the opportunity to attend Major League Baseball games at some of the most modern Major League Baseball stadiums in the world. It is planned to attend games at Angels Stadium, Dodgers Stadium and Padres (Petco Park).

Players and coaches who have the opportunity to be part of an *Expos* program will achieve a higher level of the game. The main reason given for this is the opportunity is to learn and play with the American coaches and players on American fields. Many players have gone on to play professional baseball with Major League Organizations, Colleges, Universities and representing the state of Queensland and Australia and attribute the value of the *Expo* Program to their success.

If you wish to evaluate further the past results of the expo program we would be happy to put you in touch with any of the past 773 players and coaches who have toured, so you can get a first hand opinion on its success and value.

You have received this letter because the *Expos* scouts have scouted your son over the past twelve months at Club and Regional games to be a part of the 2007 *Expo* tour to improve his baseball and we hope that you will give us the courtesy of an indication of your intentions as soon as possible. The tour is scheduled to leave June 15th and return about the 7th July. Costs are yet to be finalized but it will be inclusive of all travel, accommodation and uniform costs. Approximate cost will be similar to last year (\$4600).

You may call either Denise Murray on [REDACTED] or Alan Dawson on [REDACTED] to advise of your interest or if you have any questions.

Become a part of the growing *Expos* family and let your son join us for the 2007 tour. You are invited to an information presentation at Redlands Baseball Club on Saturday 17th March at 10am.

Kind Regards

Denise Murray - Tour Manager