



**Winter Park Optimist  
Long Leaf Park, Wilmington, NC  
2023 Fall Baseball  
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Thank you for your support of Winter Park Optimist (WPO) and our recreational baseball program. Each year since 1954, WPO serves about 500 local boys and girls by providing enjoyable opportunities to play organized baseball and softball. Our recreational programs safely accommodate youth from all backgrounds and skill levels. WPO's efforts extend well beyond recreational sports. Your support of our programs, as well as Christmas tree sales and our annual childhood cancer tournament and homerun derby, allows WPO to donate tens of thousands of dollars each year to local families fighting childhood cancer, the Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home, and provides scholarships to several of our youth who are heading off to college. Additionally, WPO invests in field improvements at Long Leaf Park and supports local public school athletics programs each year. All of this is made possible by your support.

If you are interested in supporting WPO with corporate advertising, field sign or other donations, please email us.

2023 Fall Season Information

Aug 1 – Registration opens (online only)

Aug 25 – Registration closes at 3pm

Sept 4 – Practice begins, two practice per week, one weekday/one weekend

Sept 18 - Games begin- Monday through Thursday, two games per week

Oct 26 – Season ends

Oct 30 – “Monster Bash” Home Run Derby

Additional information about our spring recreational baseball program:

- Your child's age on **May 1 2024** determines what division he/she plays.
- All Coach and player requests considered but not guaranteed (only 3 Allstars per team)
- Registration fee is \$100
- Each child will get a hat and jersey
- Birth certificates may be checked
- There is no “playing up” or “playing down”
- All bats must be unaltered USA bats and contain the USA logo