

## **Falcons Summer Camp Frequently asked questions**

- 1. My son is an incoming freshman; will a team be formed for this summer so that he can continue playing competitive ball over the summer?** Yes. A 15 and under team will be formed to play this summer Coached by me, Matt Chess; and, another in the fall. Our focus will be repetition with practices three days a week with two tournaments to test your player's abilities.
- 2. My son is not an incoming freshman but, will be attending middle school in the area and hopes to play ball at the high school level starting in fall of 2009. Will there be an opportunity to play ball this summer and fall?** Yes. The team discussed above is a 15 and under team which might include additional players that fall into the "under" category to provide experience at the 60x90 level.
- 3. My son isn't going to be a Falcon, will there be another team formed following this camp made up of non-Falcon players?** Yes. During the week all high-school bound players will have the opportunity to express interest in playing throughout the summer on a competitive team. If enough players express interest than a team will be formed by Coach Ed Herrmann (<http://edherrmann.com>) who will be coordinating with Matt Chess and his staff throughout the camp. These players will practice and play in two tournaments during the summer.
- 4. My son was on the Falcon's freshman team this past spring does that insure him a spot on this summers team?** No. No player is afforded any rights above their talent level or another student-athlete. New student athletes move into the area and others simply continue to grow in their sport. All players are encouraged to participate in the program and will earn the opportunity to play based upon their ability in the context of the entire program.
- 5. My son is planning to play on another team this summer and fall rather than the teams formed by the Falcons coaching staff. How will that affect his future opportunities?** Baseball is a game that needs to be played in order to improve. It's great to hear that your student-athlete would like to continue playing the game. We would like to have the opportunity to have everyone play within the program as it will make for a better program in the long-run. Please consider keeping the players here with the Falcons. A 16 and under team will be formed within the program to play competitive ball this summer and fall coached by Ryan Welch. Ryan has done a great job in the past and will continue to do what's best to strengthen our program. We would hope that you would support his and the entire coaching staff's efforts. If you have individual questions feel free to email me at [matt.chess@sduhsd.net](mailto:matt.chess@sduhsd.net)
- 6. Why the connection with the Del Mar Powerhouse Baseball Club?** Besides the fact that they provide an established 501c3, infrastructure and administrative assistance, I have been connected in the community to a variety of baseball concerns during my career in the sport. The San Diego Stars, Encinitas Reds, I provide coaching clinics to all the local Little Leagues as

well as Pony League Baseball. I want our program to be connected to the community at large as well. The Powerhouse Baseball Club is the oldest baseball club in the area feeding players to the local high schools. Their players reside in Solana Beach, Del Mar, Carmel Valley, and Rancho Santa Fe. Just as the Pop Warner program feeds talented players into the high school system it is our desire to develop a program that feeds into our system and the Powerhouse is willing to work with us on that.

- 7. Who will be making decisions regarding high-school aged player personnel and the direction of the high-school baseball program?** The Falcons coaching staff headed by me, Matt Chess, will make all decisions regarding high-school aged player personnel and the direction of the Falcons high-school baseball program.
- 8. Can I meet with you to discuss additional questions that I have?** Absolutely, we will be having a parent meeting after the first day of camp on Monday, June 16 at 4:30 p.m. Please join me and all of the parents to be a part of the building process. If you would like to address something to me ahead of time, please do so at [matt.chess@sduhsd.net](mailto:matt.chess@sduhsd.net)
- 9. Where can I find out more about the Falcons baseball program and the Del Mar Powerhouse Baseball Club?** Visit our website at <http://eteamz.active.com/tpfalcons/> or <http://www.delmarpowerhouse.com/>