

Top 16 Reasons to Coach Baseball

- 1) You get to spend most of your summer with other peoples' kids instead of your own
- 2) You get to rake fields and set up bases just like a real grounds crewmember
- 3) You get the credit whenever a kid isn't playing well
- 4) You get to put off your vacation until right before school starts
- 5) You get a great farmer's tan
- 6) You get to be the last one home after a game
- 7) You get thick skin by being second-guessed about 2500 times or so by parents
- 8) You get to spend a lot of evenings of the phone instead of with your wife
- 9) You gain deeper insight into the game by hearing such novel bits of wisdom as "straighten it out" from the stands
- 10) You get to drive a bunch of dirty kids around in your car
- 11) You have lots of meaningful conversations with parents, like about how great their kids can pitch
- 12) You get great insight into emotional disorders in children in case you want to pursue a career in counseling
- 13) You get to leave work early to get to the field early
- 14) You get to leave work even earlier to pick up kids without rides
- 15) You develop humility when the kids get the credit for wins and you get blamed for losses
- 16) You get to have a party at your house after the season with your own food and soda