



## 2019 USPBL Reading Program



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our class will be participating in Woolly's Word Wizards Reading Program, which is an incentive driven reading program of the United Shore Professional Baseball League. The USPBL is entering its fourth baseball season at Jimmy John's Field in Downtown Utica this summer. The USPBL features four teams – the Birmingham Bloomfield Beavers, the Utica Unicorns, the Eastside Diamond Hoppers, and the team representing your area – the Westside Woolly Mammoths. The Westside Woolly Mammoths and their mascot, Woolly, are gearing up for another fun year of Woolly's Word Wizards, which is designed to encourage students to read more. Your child will have the opportunity to improve his or her reading skills while earning a ticket to a baseball game at Jimmy John's Field!

### **Here's How It Works:**

Beginning Date: March 4th

End Date: March 29th

The program is divided into four segments, each segment represents a "base" on the baseball field. When a student completes a reading requirement, they will advance to the next base. The goal is to make it to home plate by "hitting a home run."

**Your child needs to complete the following reading assignment in order to advance to each base:**

**By completing 3 out of 5 days each week on the March is Reading Month Calendar, your child can earn a "base."**

For each base your child has completed, have them record their reading accomplishment under the respective base on their Verification Sheet.

After each segment, a parent/educator's signature is needed on the respective bases' verification slip to indicate completion. Please remove the slip and have your child return it to their teacher. Their progress will be recorded on a poster in their classroom.

When your child has completed all four "bases" and met his/her reading goals, he/she will receive the Online Ticket Order Directions to redeem for a free ticket to a baseball game at Jimmy John's Field. Additional tickets may also be ordered online at a discounted rate to attend with your child.

Thank you in advance for assisting your child in the completion of Woolly's Word Wizards Program.  
We hope to see you at the game!

