

Subject: Hi NBUA Umpire Mentors - How's it Going with Your Mentee?

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Conversation: Hi NBUA Umpire Mentors - How's it Going with Your Mentee?

Hello 2009 NBUA Mentors:

As a part of the NBUA Mentor / Mentee program for 2009, we would like to take this opportunity to contact you and ask you how it is going for you thus far this baseball season with your Mentee. Hopefully, you have had the opportunity to umpire a game or two with your Mentee and if so, there is little doubt that each one of you has got your feet 'wet' (both literally and figuratively).

Now is the time when the communication between you and your Mentee should be taking place on a regular basis and to be sure that is happening, we would like you to please take a moment to respond to the the following questions for us so that we may ensure that the Mentor / Mentee program is working up to its full potential:

- 1) Have you had the opportunity to talk with your Mentee more than once?
 - a) In person?
 - b) Via e-mail?
 - c) Via telephone?

- 2) Have you had the opportunity to work a game or two partnered with your Mentee?

- 3) Has your Mentee been responsive by contacting you and asking you questions and/or telling you how they are doing thus far this season?

- 4) Do you have any suggestions for us about the Mentor / Mentee program that would make it more effective?

If you have not been in contact with your Mentee and talked with them about any of their games, please make the time and opportunity to do so. Please ask them if there is anything you can do to help them out with anything regarding umpiring. Or, just contact them to say HI.

Please do this NOW, as now is the time when an apprentice umpire needs to

know that the umpiring skills he/she is developing are those which the NBUA teaches and practices. Supervised practice will always get your Mentee closer to perfection and communication with your Mentee is an important process which makes this Mentor / Mentee program work.

Please take this opportunity to utilize this program to its fullest for the benefit of both you, your Mentee and the NBUA... You will reap the rewards.

Respectfully,

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