OHIO TIDE

Parent Meeting
October 28, 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

Spirit Wear Shop	OPEN & NEW ONE COMING
Off Season Training Starts	**November 5**
Uniform Fitting Days	**To Come in Nov**
Breaks – No Practices	Dec 24 - Jan 2 March 25 - April 1
Outdoor Team Practices	Early April, 2027 or as weather allows
Regular Season Starts: 11U	Mid April, 2027
Regular Season Starts: 13U – 18U	End of May, 2027
Seasons End: All Teams	Third weekend in July, 2027
---- Dates for seasons are approximate and could vary by team and leagues	

OFF - SEASON TRAINING



SENIOR COACHES

- Leading all off-season training
- Mentoring younger coaches
- Developed training philosophies for the organization that are being implemented in workouts

Team Coaches

- **All 8 Team Manager positions filled**
  - Experienced coaches, many have coached or are currently coaching at high school level
- Most assistant coach positions also filled, Some final details before announcing

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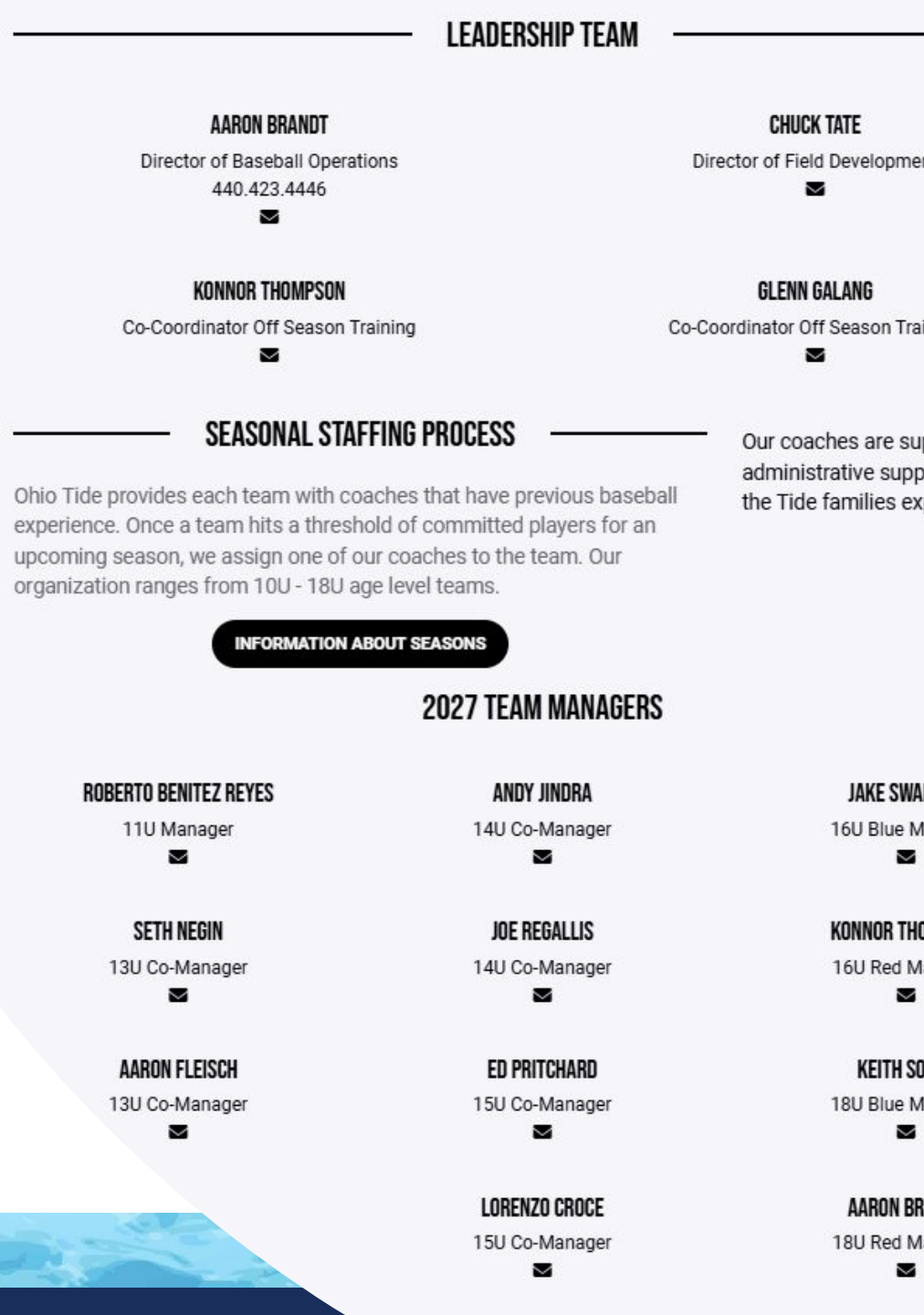

LEADERSHIP TEAM

AARON BRANDT
Director of Baseball Operations
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CHUCK TATE
Director of Field Developme

KONNOR THOMPSON
Co-Coordinator Off Season Training

GLENN GALANG
Co-Coordinator Off Season Trai

SEASONAL STAFFING PROCESS

Ohio Tide provides each team with coaches that have previous baseball experience. Once a team hits a threshold of committed players for an upcoming season, we assign one of our coaches to the team. Our organization ranges from 10U - 18U age level teams.

Our coaches are su
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the Tide families ex

INFORMATION ABOUT SEASONS

2027 TEAM MANAGERS

ROBERTO BENITEZ REYES
11U Manager

ANDY JINDRA
14U Co-Manager

JAKE SWA
16U Blue M

SETH NEGIN
13U Co-Manager

JOE REGALLIS
14U Co-Manager

KONNOR THO
16U Red M

AARON FLEISCH
13U Co-Manager

ED PRITCHARD
15U Co-Manager

KEITH SO
18U Blue M

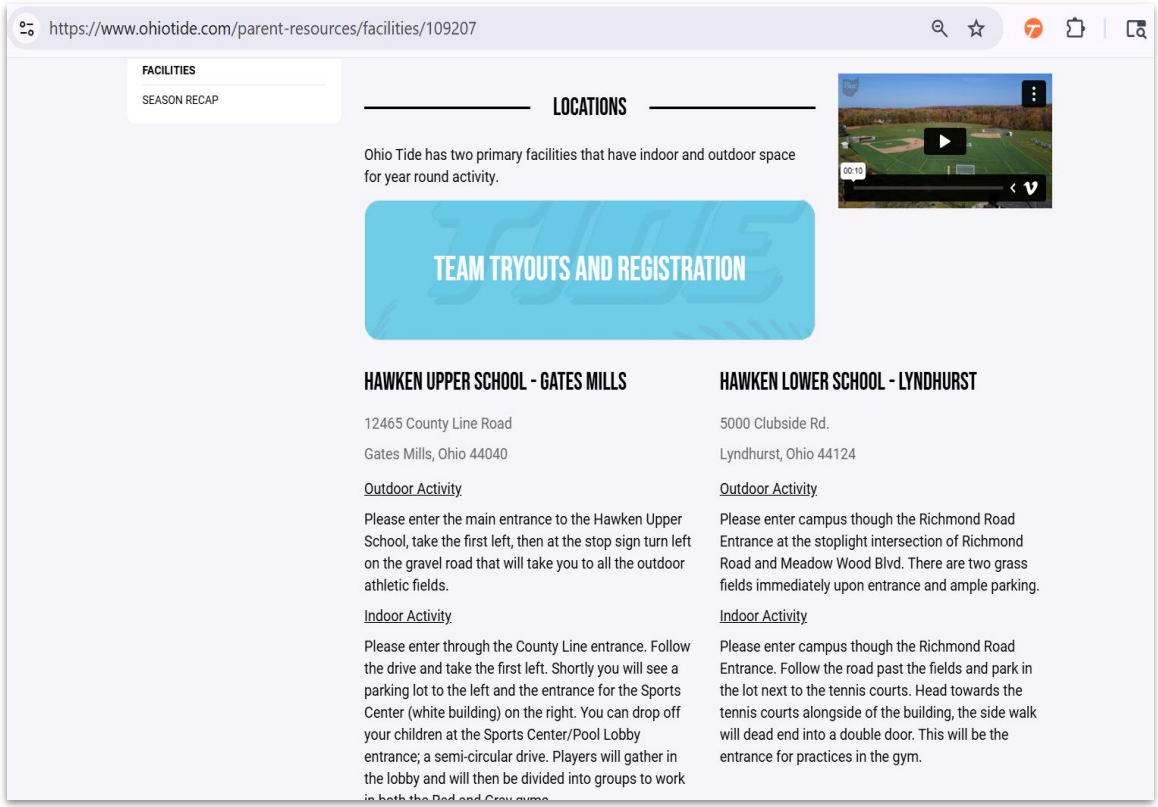
LORENZO CROCE
15U Co-Manager

AARON BR
18U Red M

COACH INTRODUCTIONS



FACILITIES







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YEAR 2 STRENGTH OPPORTUNITY

- 7,000 sq ft strength & conditioning space
- Baseball specific strength, speed and flexibility workouts
- Designed and run by Hawken strength and conditioning coaches



ADDITIONAL STRENGTH OPPORTUNITY

11U - 18U

- 60 min baseball specific strength training
- 6 total sessions (1 per week)
- Guided instruction by Clayton Ivie, Strength & Conditioning Coach at Hawken School

$200 cost for 6 week program

- **11U & 13U** | Sundays 10:45 - 11:45 A
- **14U & 15U** | Sundays 9:30 - 10:30 A
- **16U & 18U** | Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 P

REGISTRATION COMING SOON!

TEAM OFF SEASON WORKOUTS

11U

Fri PM

Sun AM

13U

Fri PM

Sun AM

14U

Mon PM

Thur PM

Sun AM

15U

Mon PM

Thur PM

Sun AM

16U

Weds PM

Thur PM

Sun AM

18U

Mon PM

Thur PM

Sun AM

TRAINING PHILOSOPHIES

Base Running: Read & Run

Ohio Tide base runners will focus on....

- Reading pitches in the dirt
- Reading balls off the bat
- Getting good jumps off pitchers
- Taking good secondary leads
- Taking good, aggressive turns on any ball with no play at base
- Being ready to take extra bases when possible (bobbles in OF, no one covering base, etc)
- MAKING DEFENSE MAKE PLAYS!!

TRAINING PHILOSOPHIES

Hitting: Contact and Balance

Ohio Tide hitters will focus on....

- Reducing the “big stride swing” (Wide stance/no stride OR get the foot down early)
- Keeping weight balanced, triangle form with both knees and head
- Reducing the head movement, which causes level changes while trying to focus
- Rotating of hips through the ball to remain balanced
- Eliminating common problems (overswinging, falling off balance, or pulling head and shoulder out)
- Driving the back half (back hip and knee) towards the pitcher

TRAINING PHILOSOPHIES

Pitching: Pitch to Contact

Ohio Tide pitchers will focus on….

- Throwing first pitch strikes to get ahead of hitters
- Making opponents put the ball in play and trusting defense
- Effectively controlling the running game
- Confidently fielding their position and know defensive responsibilities
- For younger age groups, will focus on fastballs and changeup
- For younger age groups, prepare all players for pitching opportunities
- For older age groups, will focus on pitch sequence to challenge hitters to put ball in play
- For older age groups, will work to develop recognition of what their “go to pitch” should be

LEAGUES

League scheduling meetings take place in February

- **Ohio Prospect League**

Independent play is an additional option for some teams

TOURNAMENTS

Expect an average of 3-4 localized tournaments per team

- **Out of Town Travel is separate from 2027 season cost, TO BE DISCUSSED IN TEAM MEETINGS**



PARENT SUPPORT



ALWAYS HAVE ACCESS

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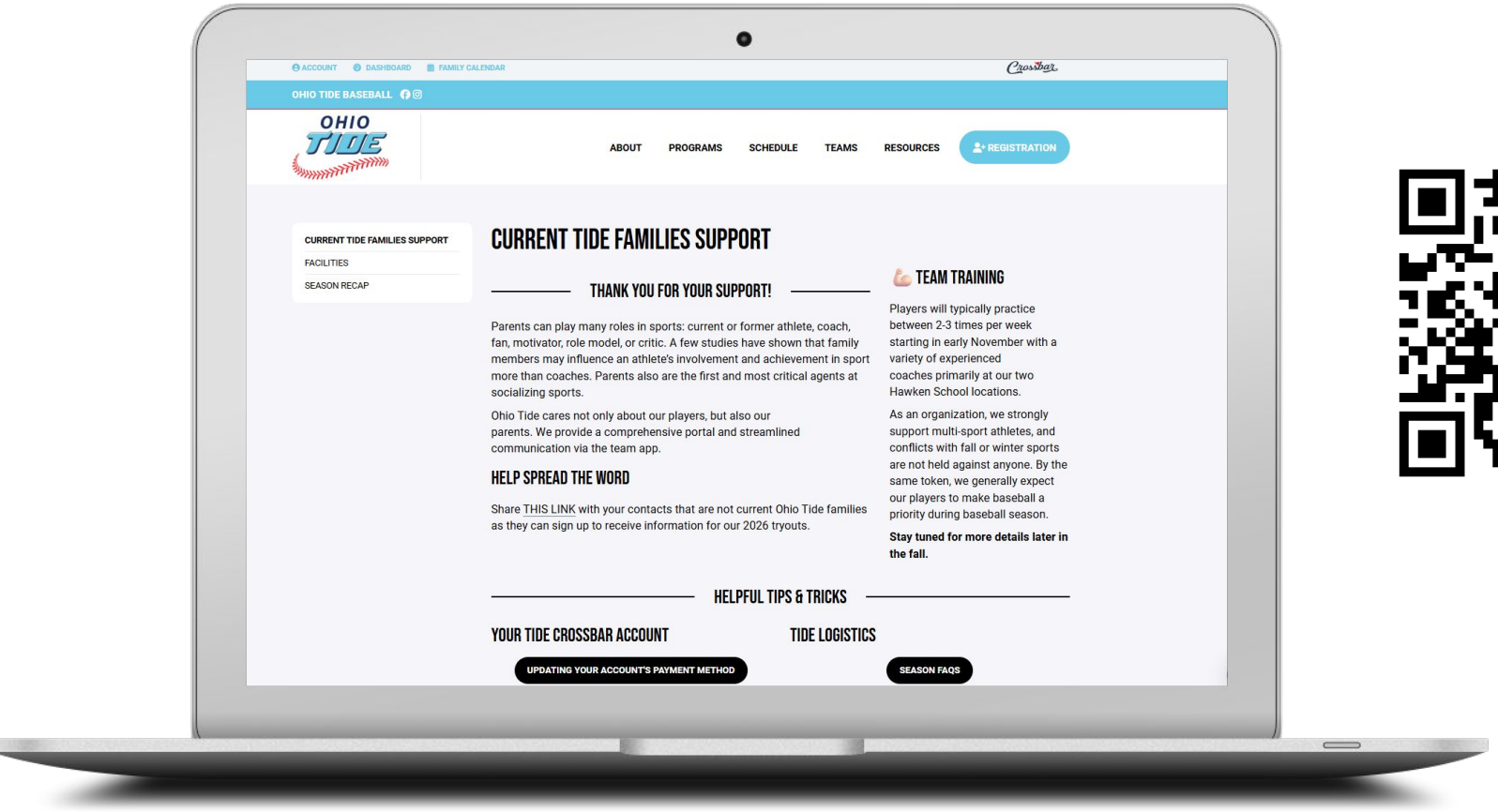

CROSSBAR APP

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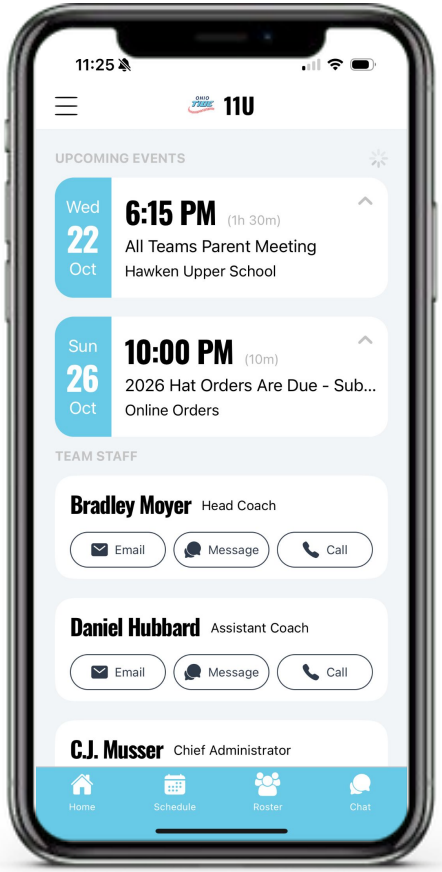

SPIRITWEAR

- Robust spirit wear store for the entire family - shipped to your house

- OPENING SOON & SOME EXPRESS SHIPPING AVAILABLE FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

- **New Ohio Tide Players:**
  Recommend practice gear for off-season (hat, shirt, etc)



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UNIFORMS



BUILT INTO YOUR SEASON PRICE

- **Custom Uniforms include**
  - 2 Jerseys
  - 2 Pants
  - 1 Belt
  - 1 Team Hat
  - 1 Helmet
  - 1 Bat Bag

BE PREPARED FOR EARLY SIZING DUE TO CUSTOM LEAD TIME

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UNIFORMS

Team Hat Orders due 11/8!



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UNIFORM FITTING

SIGN UPS COMING SOON

- **1 Parent should attend per player**



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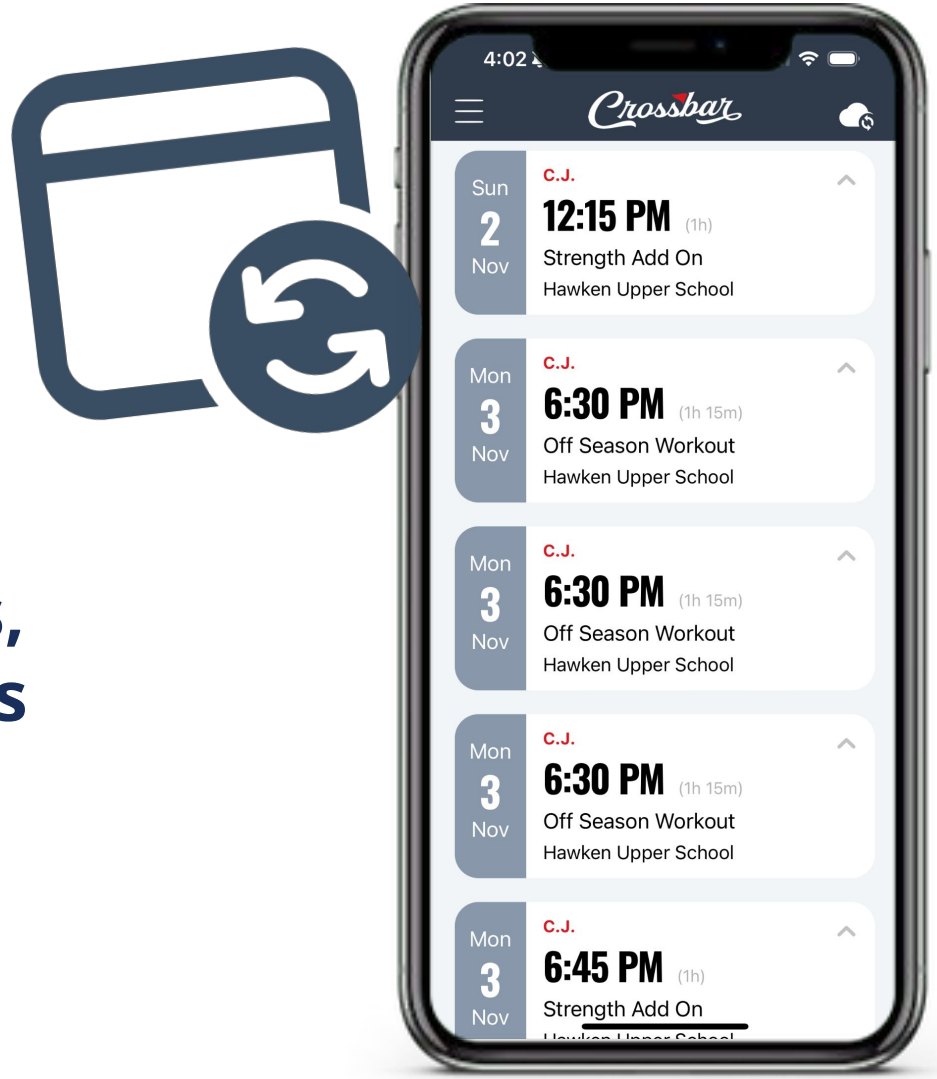
PARENTS RESOURCES

- **CROSSBAR APP**
  - **Access our team calendar, RSVP for practices and games, team communications, practice/game changes**



SPONSORS

- Organization
- Team Specific
- Travel Tournaments

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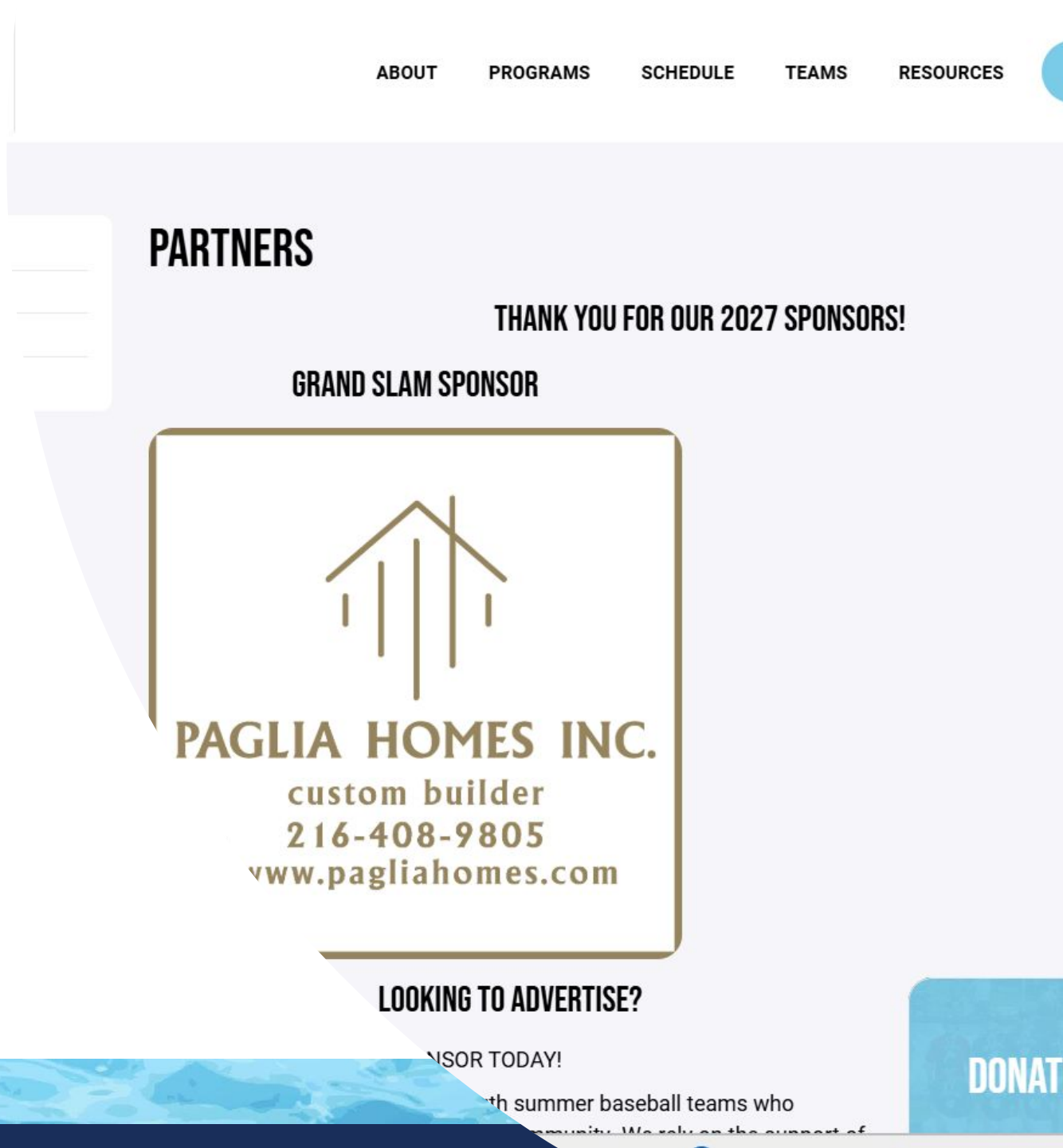

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

- **PRIMARY JOB**
  - **Supporters of your player**
    - Parent Agreement in your Tide account

- Parent Support of Specific Teams
  - Goal: Assist with team-specific activities and overall experience
    - Dugout volunteer
    - Scorekeeper - GAME CHANGER
    - Team apparel distribution
    - Team pictures
    - Team activities, sponsors & more
    - Help with hotels/meals planning for tournament weekends



THANK YOU!

Team Break Outs



OHIO TIDE MANAGEMENT TEAM

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