

BLAZE TEAM NAMES AND WHAT THEY MEAN.

BLAZE UNITED - Blaze United is our top-level national teams in the 14/16/18u divisions. All Blaze players, on any team, whether in or out of Texas, 7th grade and up are welcome and encouraged to try out for United if you seek an environment that requires a top level of commitment. Please discuss this tryout opportunity with your current head coach. Blaze United players are typically driven to play high-level D1 softball in college. Playing on these teams requires out-of-state travel 3-5 times per year. United teams have players from many different areas, including out-of-state. All United teams have professionally paid coaches.

BLAZE GOLD - Blaze Gold teams are national-level teams that compete at the highest travel ball levels. Gold teams have shown a history of success playing in some of the most competitive tournaments in the country. Gold teams may have a region like ATX, NTX, STX, or KTX. This means most players are from that area; however, several of our Gold teams have players that commute from different locations. Gold teams can expect to travel out of state 2-4 times yearly. Most, but not all, Blaze Gold teams have paid coaches.

BLAZE PREMIER NATIONAL - Blaze Premier National teams compete nationally and can expect to travel out of state 2-3 times per year. Premier National teams have proven successful at the A-class National level. Blaze Premier National teams have both paid and volunteer coaching.

BLAZE NATIONAL - Blaze National teams compete nationally and can expect to travel out of state 2-3 times per year. National teams are expected to play competitive A-class tournaments across the state. Blaze National teams have both paid and volunteer coaching.

BLAZE REGIONAL & INDEPENDENT TEAMS - These Blaze teams may play a more regional or statewide tournament schedule. Each group will differ, and the direction is up to the head coach. Most regional-based teams have volunteer coaching, but not all.

The Blaze has many pathways for players and teams to reach their goals. We take pride as a program in providing the tools and resources for success!

Questions?

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