



Chris Pack is a founder of Baseball Institute and Pitching Coordinator as well. Pack played collegiate baseball for Villanova University but, was plagued with injuries throughout his time there. However, he did find much success when he took the mound for the Wildcats; he was named the Big 5 Big East Pitcher of the week during a hot stretch. Fortunately, he was able to finish his college career at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where he attracted attention from pro teams.

After finishing his college career, Pack was given a free agent deal by the Florida Marlins. Unfortunately, Chris was released soon after because of the injuries that slowed him at Villanova. But, Pack went on to play a season with the Joliet Slammers, then was quickly scooped up by the Diamondbacks.

“As soon as I signed, I went right into spring training,” Pack said. “I ended up spending an entire season with the Missoula Ospreys, the Short Season A-ball team for the Diamondbacks. It was great.”

Though Pack found much success, he soon after decided to hang up the cleats. Instead of playing, he found his passion for coaching and helping kids get better at the game they love.

“The winter of 2012 was when everything began to come to fruition,” Pack explained. “I sat down with [co-founder] Erik Lis, and we discussed how we can make a business out of developing youth the right way. And that is exactly how we got here.”

Pack and Lis quickly found a home at the Quarry Fieldhouse in Romeoville and haven’t looked back. Pack now focuses on his family and the Baseball Institute. While his playing days are over, he has found his niche – helping mentor young players in life and in baseball.

A Chris Pack Fun Fact: Favors Cool Ranch Doritos.