Grounds Intern for the Art Van Sports Complex

**Internship Title:** Grounds Intern for the Art Van Sports Complex

**Internship Dates:** April 2016 to September 2016

**Internship Hours:** Flexible, 30 to 40 hours per week, mostly weekend event help

**Internship Pay Rate:** TBD

**Description of Duties:**
Opportunity to work directly with the Grounds Manager to learn oversight of new state-of-the-art baseball and softball complex. Instruction will be provided to learn to care for all playing surfaces of Art Van Sports Complex 8 fields and its surrounding components. With a mission to provide an extraordinary experience to all sporting participants and their family in a safe, first class sports complex. Daily duties will include performing daily turf, field prep/amendments and water management; timely fertility and cultural practices; game/tournament preparation techniques and short and long-term maintenance planning.

- **Daily/Weekly Responsibilities:**
  - Repair/Maintain homeplate and mound surfaces
  - Painting/chalking foul lines
  - Dragging/raking fields to maintain smooth playability
  - Field setup for specific ages/genders
  - General cleaning of dugouts/bleachers
  - Managing seasonal/part-time staff

- **Monthly Responsibilities**
  - Product inventory and ordering
  - Scheduling staff
  - Minor field/grounds projects
  - Irrigation checks/watering times adjustments

- **General Event/Tournament Support**
- **Other Duties as Assigned**

Interested candidates can send a resume to Jake Slaydon, Grounds Manager at jslaydon@westmisports.com. Questions regarding this internship can be directed to Jake at (239)560-0229. Deadline to apply is February 29th, 2016.

About the Art Van Sports Complex:
The complex is a 79 acre facility located in Rockford, MI. The complex has 8 fields: 2 baseball and 6 softball style fields. The Art Van Sports complex is operated by the West Michigan Sports Commission, a nonprofit organization based in Grand Rapids that promotes Michigan’s west coast as the premier venue for hosting a diverse level of youth and amateur sporting events, enhancing the economy and quality of life in the region.