

BABE RUTH 13-15 BASEBALL INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Bismarck Parks and Recreation District



INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME

- Ethan Eberle, Recreation Specialist
- Jesse Scalzo, Program Coordinator
- Alex Quintane, Program Coordinator



REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

- 13-15 Year-Olds
 - \$170 – League Fee after April 25
- Registration completed before tryouts.
- Our Office
 - 400 East Front Avenue
- In person
- www.bisparks.org



PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY

- Provide a quality experience
- Stress sportsmanship
- Equal participation
- Everyone bats
- Rotate positions in the field
- Emphasize fundamentals
- Emphasize **FUN!**



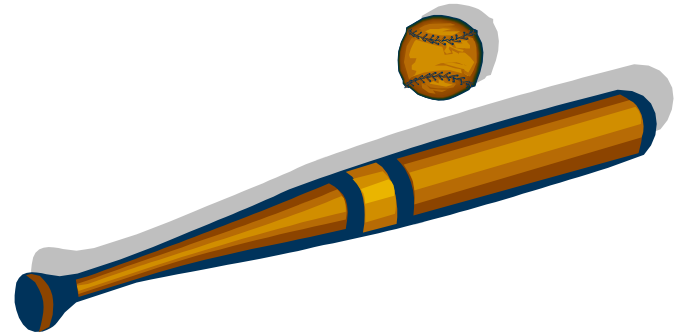
BIRTHDATE/AGE REQUIREMENTS

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2009	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
2008	14	14	14	14	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
2007	15	15	15	15	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
2006	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15

A player must play in the Babe Ruth 13-15 league until they are no longer eligible to play according to Babe Ruth League age chart.



EQUIPMENT



- Metal Spikes = OK
- Infielders and catchers should wear a protective cup
- We provide catcher's gear and batting helmets
 - Recommend buying own helmet and/or aerosol lice killer
 - Recommend Helmet: Champro Hx Gamer Baseball Helmet. No Chrome on catcher's gear and batting helmets



APPROVED BATS

- **13-15 Baseball Division**

- The bat may not exceed 34" in length, and the bat barrel may not exceed 2 5/8" in diameter.
- All aluminum/alloy barrel bats and all composite handle (only) aluminum/alloy BBCOR .50 barrels are allowed.
- Only composite barrel bats certified and marked USA Baseball Marking will be allowed.
- Wood barrel bats conforming to the specifications of Official Baseball Rule 1.10 are allowed.

- **How will I know which bat to buy?**

- All new bats that bear the USA Bat licensing mark will be permissible for play in the leagues and tournaments of the participating youth baseball organizations.



BATS NOT APPROVED

- Tampering or altering bats may violate certain federal and state laws and voids the USA Baseball certification, as well as all manufacturer warranties. Rolling is considered tampering and would void the bat's certification and make it illegal for play.



UNIFORMS/SPONSORS

- Use and care of uniform
- What do you get & keep?
 - Jersey Top
 - Cap
- Players are responsible for their own pants and belts.
 - Grey pants recommended.
- No Uniform Return and Deposit



TRAINING



▪ Coaches

- Bismarck Parks and Recreation District Workshop/Training
- Certified by Babe Ruth League Inc. program
- Rules and Guidelines
- Job Description
- Evaluation

▪ Umpires

- Training session (on and off field)
- On-the-job training and evaluations



PARENTS' OPPORTUNITIES

- Parent Head Coach (Minor only)
Need 12 coaches have six
- Team Coordinator
- Umpire
- Sponsor team(s)
- Enthusiastic and supportive fan
- Be a super role model
- Tournament Volunteers



LEAGUE STRUCTURE & TEAM FORMATION CRITERIA

- League Format

- The league will be separated into Major and Minor Leagues. Players will only play in one league.
- Major (Travel Baseball):
 - The Major league consists of 13's, 14's, and 15's advancing teams and 13-15 non-advancing team(s).
- Minor (League Baseball):
 - The Minor league will consist of player ages 13-15 league teams.



LEAGUE STRUCTURE & TEAM FORMATION CRITERIA

- Team selection process
- Balance teams as equally as possible
 - Major league teams will consist of same team rosters of extra baseball teams.
- No carpool request form
- Sibling requests form
 - Due last day of league tryouts
 - Request forms found at tryouts
- 12-15 players per team
- There will be no cutting of players.



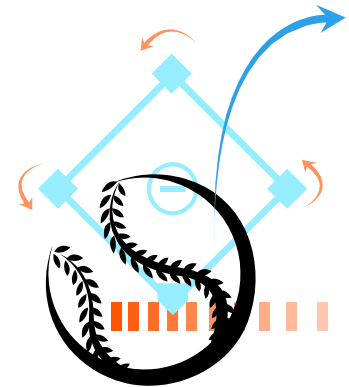
MINOR LEAGUE

- **Minor League Tryouts – Tatley Eagles Park**

- May 9: 5:30 – 7:30pm
- May 10: 5:30 – 7:00pm
- Players only need to come to one try-out date

All players will be placed on a team!

***No Parents at league tryouts!!!**
-Unless you're a head coach



MINOR LEAGUE

- **May 17-19, Tuesday-Thursday**
 - Between 4:00pm – 9:00pm
 - Teams rotate practice times.
- Practice times and lengths may change depending on how many teams are in the league
- **No Baseball May 30– Memorial Day**



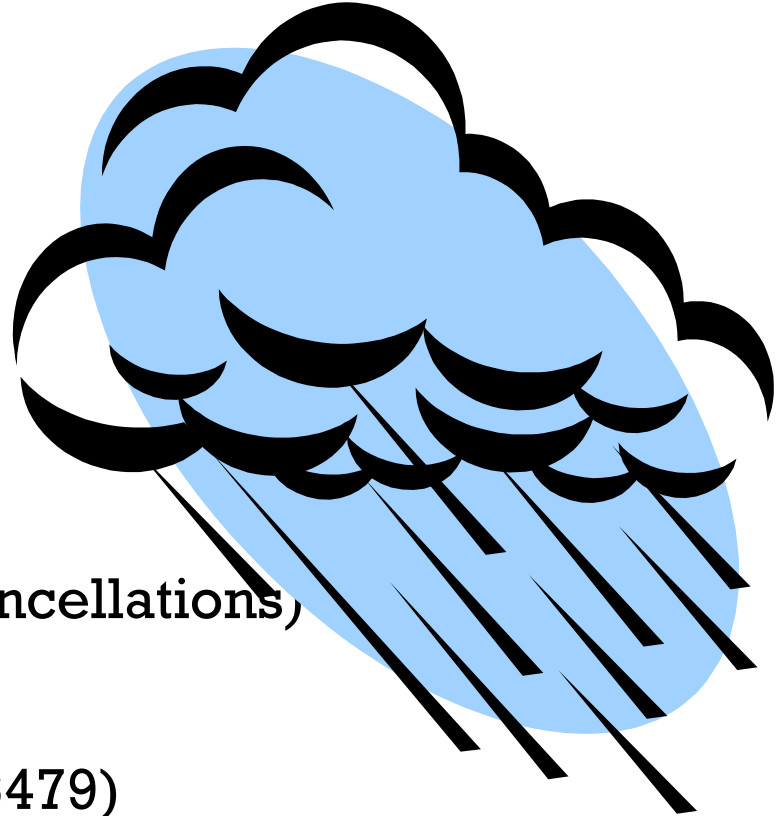
MINOR LEAGUE

- Starting May 24
 - Minor practices scheduled for Tuesday and Thursdays
 - 3:30pm to 9:30pm
 - Teams rotate practice times
 - Minor games scheduled to begin
 - Starts May 24: 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm
 - Starting May 31 3:30pm, 5:30pm or 7:30pm
 - Teams rotate game times
- Game and Practices
 - Tatley North and South, Municipal Ball Park, Haaland Field, and BPS Sport Complex (Legacy).
- Schedules subject to change
- Practice and games times and lengths may change depending on how many teams are in the league



RAIN-OUTS

- “Like” BPRD Facebook
- Visit www.bisparks.org (Cancellations)
- Call Information Line (222-6479)
- Lightning & Severe Weather Procedure
 - 30 Minutes Rule



HOSTING 2022 13-YEAR-OLD BABE RUTH STATE TOURNAMENT

- July 20-24 @ Municipal Ballpark & Haaland Field
- Volunteers Needed
 - Ticket Takers
 - Souvenir Staff
 - Press Box Workers
 - National Anthem Singers



**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS
ABOUT MINOR LEAGUE?
(STAY FOR MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL INFO)**



MAJOR LEAGUE: TRAVEL BASEBALL

- Players commit to more than league play
- 13, 14, & 15 year old advancing teams and a 13-15 year old non-advancing team if enough interest and coaches.
- 12 player min/15 player max per team
- Games played vs Minot, Williston, Mandan, Dickinson, Jamestown, + 1 to 2 tournaments
- Parents are responsible for players transportation, meals, and lodging for all games including Invitational, State, Regional, and World Series Tournaments.



MAJOR LEAGUE

■ Major Tryouts – Tatley Eagles Park

■ May 4

- Age 13: 4-5:30pm
- Age 14: 5:30-7pm
- Age 15: 7-8:30pm

■ May 8

- Age 13: 12-1:30pm
- Age 14: 1:30-3pm
- Age 15: 3-4:30pm

■ May 11

- Age 13: 4-5:30pm
- Age 14: 5:30-7pm
- Age 15: 7-8:30pm

***No Parents at tryouts!**

Recommend being at all 3 tryout dates.

Must be at 2 tryout dates.



MAJOR LEAGUE

- Practices

- There will be practices scheduled in the evenings during May 17-27
- Starting May 31 practices will be in the mornings and early afternoons at:
 - Tatley North/South Park (Airport Road and Michigan Avenue) or Haaland Field (South 12th St.).
- Major season practice times/days will be provided at the end of tryouts.

- Games

- Games will be played throughout the week and weekends
 - Schedules will be posted as soon as they are done
- Tatley North and South, Municipal Ball Park, Haaland Field, and BPS Sport Complex (Legacy).
- All schedules are subject to change and will change throughout the season.
- No Baseball May 30– Memorial Day



MAJOR LEAGUE EXTRA FEES

- Major League Fees = additional games/tournament
 - Advancing = \$165 per player (includes State Tourney & beyond)
 - Non-advancing = \$90 per player (up to State Tourney)
 - Due after tryout
- Major league fees will be collected after Major tryouts.
 - **Paid at BPRD office – 400 E. Front Ave.**
 - **or over phone 701-222-6455**
- Each Major participant will also be **required** to sell 10 raffle tickets at \$20 per raffle ticket for \$200.
 - **Pick up tickets at BPRD office – 400 E. Front Ave.**
 - **Money dropped off at BPRD office – 400 E. Front Ave.**

* Your raffle ticket purchase doubles as a family season ticket to all Representatives, Senators, and Governors games for the regular season AND puts your name in the calendar drawing for cash prizes, too.

