

BABE RUTH 13-15 BASEBALL PARENT MEETING

Bismarck Parks and Recreation District
May 1, 2019



INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME

- **Ethan Eberle, Recreation Specialist**
- **Mark Thompson, Program Coordinator**
- **Jesse Scalzo, Program Coordinator**



REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

- 13-15 Year-Olds
 - \$170 – League Fee after April 30
- 10 week program
- Registration completed before tryouts.
- Our Office
 - 400 East Front Avenue
- Mail or Drop Off
- www.bisparks.org



PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY

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



CURRENT REGISTRATION STATISTICS (AS OF MAY 1)

- 13 Year Olds..... 72 Registrations
- 14 Year Olds 56 Registrations
- 15 Year Olds 28 Registrations
- Total: 156 Registrations



BIRTHDATE/AGE REQUIREMENTS

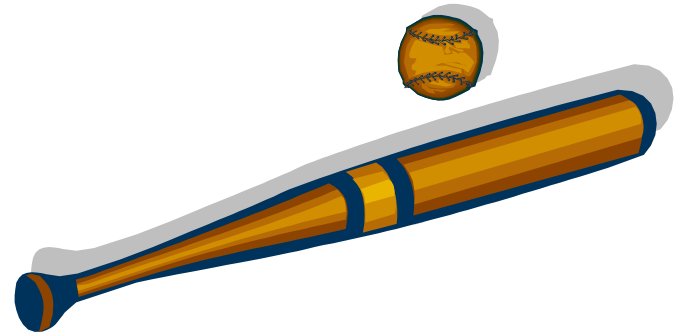
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2006	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
2005	14	14	14	14	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
2004	15	15	15	15	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
2003	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15

Players born in 2000,2001,2002 =16-18 Babe Ruth Division

Players born in January, February, March & April of 2003 must play in the 16-18 Division



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
 - 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 USABat licensing mark will be permissible for play in the leagues and tournaments of the participating youth baseball organizations.



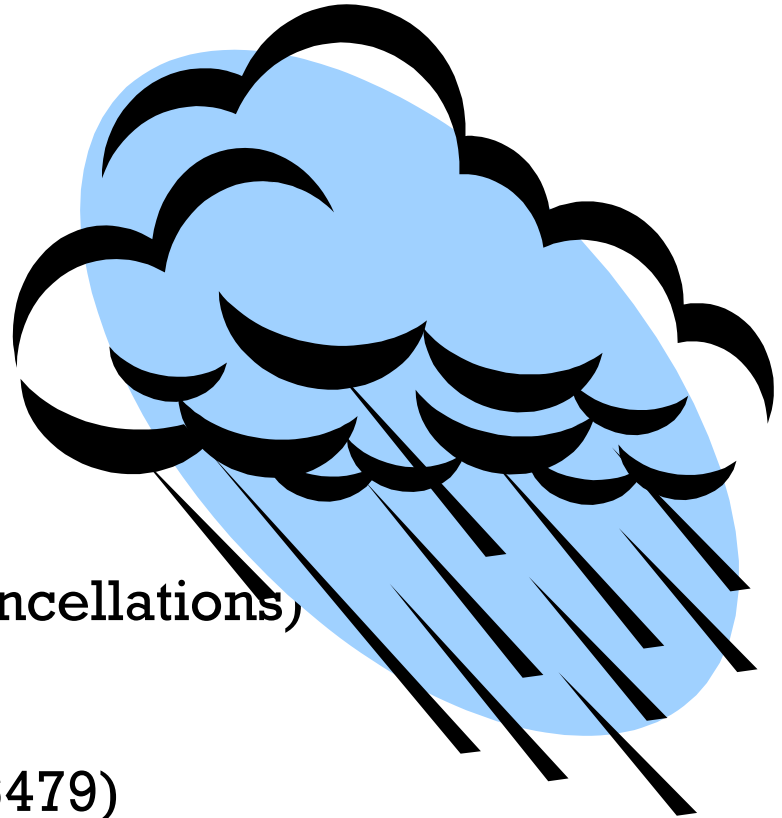
BATS NOT APPROVED

- 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.



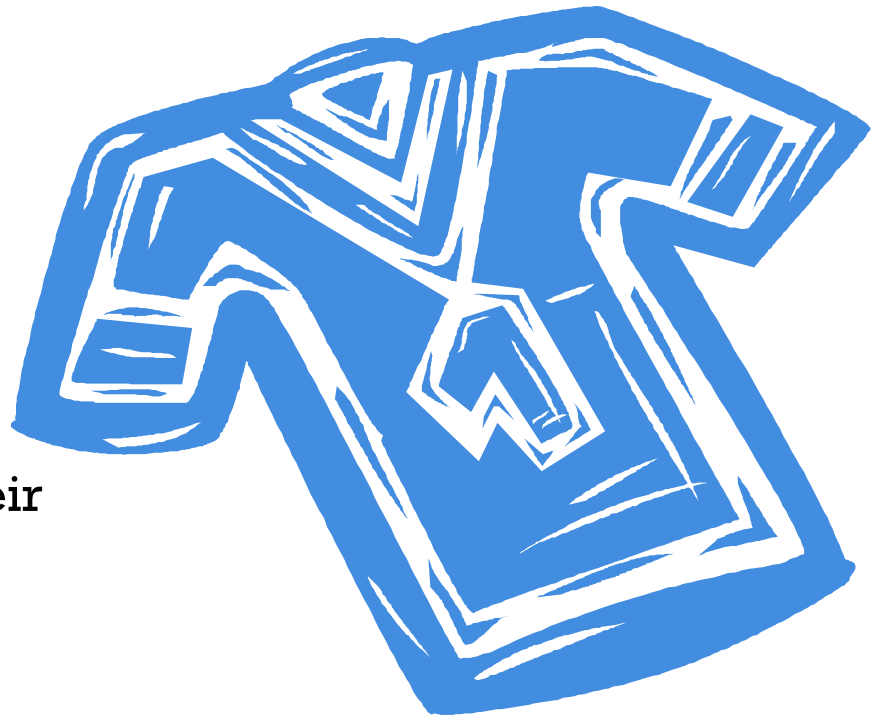
RAIN-OUTS

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



UNIFORMS/SPONSORS

- Use and care of uniform
- What do you get & keep?
 - Jersey Top
 - Cap
 - ***For both league**
- 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)
- Parent Assistant Coach
- 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 a 13-15 non-advancing team. Possibly a 13-Year-Old Non-advancing team if enough interest and coaches.
- Minor (League Baseball):
 - The Minor league will consist of player ages 13-15 league teams. Depending upon the amount of registered participants, this division could be divided into a 13 year old minor division and a 14-15 year old minor division.



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.
- Carpooling requests –**NOT Guaranteed**
 - 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

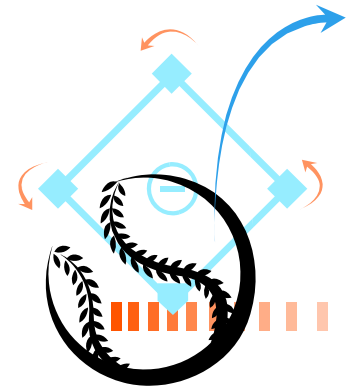
- **Minor League Tryouts – Tatley Eagles Park**
 - Age 13 at South Field and Ages 14 & 15 at North Field
 - May 13: 6 – 7:30pm
 - May 14: 6 – 7:30pm

All players will be placed on a team!

****No Parents at league tryouts!!!***

-Unless you're a head coach

Players only need to come to one try-out



MINOR LEAGUE

- Practice Schedule – May 20-23

- ***No Baseball May 27th– Memorial Day***

Times	Teams
4:30 – 5:45pm	Teams will rotate times
6:00 – 7:15pm	Teams will rotate times
7:15 – 8:15pm	Teams will rotate times



MINOR LEAGUE

- **Starting May 28**
 - Minor practices scheduled for Tuesday and Thursdays
 - 4:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.
 - Teams rotate practice times
 - Minor games scheduled to begin Mondays and Wednesdays
 - 4:30 p.m. or 6:45 p.m.
- **Game and Practices**
 - Tatley North and South, Municipal Ball Park, Haaland Field, and BPS Sport Complex (Legacy).
- **Schedules subject to change**



13-15 YEAR OLD BABE RUTH WORLD SERIES

- Hosting the 13-15 Year Old World Series Tournament in Bismarck – August 7-15@ Municipal Ballpark
- Volunteers Needed
 - Ticket Takers
 - Souvenir Staff
 - Team Host
 - Bat/Ball Kids (ages 10-12)
 - Team Ambassadors (ages 13-15)
 - 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, Fargo, West Fargo, + tournaments
- Parents are responsible for players transportation, meals, and lodging for all games including Invitational, State, Regional, and World Series Tournaments.



MAJOR LEAGUE

- Practices
 - practices will be in the mornings and early afternoons starting May 28th 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).



MAJOR LEAGUE

- **All Star Tryouts – Tatley Eagles Park**
 - Age 13 at South Field and Ages 14 & 15 at North Field
 - May 8: First All Star Tryout: 6 – 7:30pm
 - May 12: 3 - 4:30PM
 - May 15: 6 - 7:30pm
- *No Parents at tryouts!!!***



MAJOR LEAGUE

- Major Fees = additional games/tournament
 - Advancing = \$165 (includes State Tourney & beyond)
 - Non-advancing = \$90 (up to State Tourney)
- All Star fees will be collected after All Star tryouts.
 - **Paid at BPRD office – 400 E. Front Ave.**
- Each All Stars participant will also be **required** to sell 5 raffle tickets at \$20 per raffle ticket for \$100 by.
 - **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 2019 regular season AND puts your name in the calendar drawing for cash prizes, too.

