



YELLOW SPRINGS YOUTH BASEBALL MAJOR LEAGUE

2009 GENERAL INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

This goal of this league is to introduce and instruct the young player to the fundamentals of baseball, teach good sportsmanship and, overall, have fun. The Program's priorities are:

1. Player safety
 2. Good Sportsmanship
 3. Development of fundamental baseball skills
 4. Player self esteem
 5. Healthy competition
- Boys and girls age 11 through 14 are welcome and eligible to participate. Players must not have turned 15 by June 1, 2009.
 - 2009 fees are \$40 per player. Fees are collected to help cover operating and uniform costs. However, no eligible child will be turned away if payment of fees presents a hardship.
 - Depending on the number of players and teams, games will likely be played Saturdays, Sundays and possibly one weeknight. Each team will generally play either 2 weekend games **OR** 1 weekend and 1 weeknight game each week.
 - All games will be played at the major league field at Gaunt Park across from the swimming pool.
 - Each player will receive a uniform shirt, uniform pants and a hat. Players' should have their own glove and may wear non-metal cleat baseball shoes, although they are not required. If a player cannot provide their own glove, see one of the league coordinators.
 - Siblings will be placed on the same team.
 - Players may not switch team assignment without the agreement of and written permission from the Program coordinator and the coaches of both teams involved.
 - The Home team occupies the first base line dugout and is responsible for getting out and putting away the equipment. For Saturday games, the first game's Home team gets it out and second game's Home team puts it away.
 - Each team cleans up own dugout after a game (trash bags are in the equipment locker).
 - Team coaches are responsible for notifying their players and parents if and when any game is postponed due to rain or unacceptable field conditions. Every effort will be made to reschedule any game postponed for any reason.
 - The umpire, in consultation with coaches from both teams, will make the decision as to if and when any game in progress should be suspended due to adverse weather or other conditions. Any game suspended after play of 4 full innings will be considered a complete game.

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