

- PARENT INFORMATION -

BELVIDERE YOUTH BASEBALL, INC.

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TEAM SELECTION & PRACTICE

Draft Information: All players who register for BYB will be placed on a team via the draft. Coaches will contact players shortly after the draft is finished. Here are the draft dates:

Mar. 17– 8U, 10U Girls

Mar. 17 – Pinto Boys

Mar. 18 – 12U, 14U Girls

Mar. 18 – Mustang, Bronco, Pony Boys

Practices: Teams may begin practices immediately after the draft. Most teams practice 2-3 times per week during the pre-season, and 1-2 times per week during the season. Please be drop off and pick up your player in a timely manner.



EQUIPMENT

Each player must have his/her own glove. Also, each player must have his/her own pair(s) of **grey** baseball/softball pants. BYB will provide t-shirts, bats, helmets, and some catcher's gear. Metal spikes may be worn **only** in Pony league. All bats for Bronco and Pony should not exceed a diameter of 2-5/8 inches.



SCHEDULES

League Play: All leagues will start games in late April or early May and end in early July. Coaches will provide players with schedules. You may also reference the BYB website. Each league (except pinto) will also have playoffs in early to mid-July.



GAME LOCATIONS & PARKING

All games are played at the Belvidere Youth Baseball Complex, which is just to the north of the Boone County Fairgrounds off of IL Rte. 76. Please park in the west parking lot. Please **do not** park along the road that runs next to the fields on the north side. Smoking is **not** permitted on BYB property. Pets are **not** allowed.



PLAYING TIME REQUIREMENTS

BYB enforces playing time minimums to ensure that all players are provided some opportunity to play, providing that they regularly attend practices.

Pinto/Mustang: minimum of three innings (3 defensive & 2 offensive half innings)

Bronco/Pony/14U Girls: Nine Outs (1.5 innings if he/she finishes an at-bat, or 12 defensive outs if he/she does not get to finish an at-bat. For more information, talk to your coach or league commissioner.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

BYB's annual Ice Cream Social is Sunday, June 10th, 2012 at the Belvidere Youth Baseball Complex. This is the organization's major fundraiser. All-Star games will be played, and food will be served all day. Please contact Stephanie Tomman at 815-871-9393 if you would like to help with this event. Each team will be required to provide two parents to work a shift at this event.



ALL-STAR GAMES

These games will incorporate all second-year players within each league. Teams will be divided up at the discretion of the leagues coaches and commissioners with oversight by the executive board.



RAFFLE TICKETS

Each player purchases 25 raffle tickets at registration (included in fees). These tickets may be sold and the stubs must be turned in at the BYB concession stand. Raffle winners will be drawn at the Ice Cream Social on June 10th. You do not have to be present to win.



CONDUCT

All players, coaches, and fans should practice good sportsmanship at all times. Negative comments or taunting will **never** be tolerated. Noisemakers are not permitted at BYB. Be respectful towards umpires. They are human, and will make mistakes. Umpires at the Mustang levels are 13-15 year olds who are working towards their IHSA certifications. Please grant them every courtesy. Please monitor your children who are at BYB with you but not playing in a game. Batting cages and grass space are for teams to warm up, not for pick-up games. In the past, vandalism of bathrooms has been an issue. If this persists, we will be forced to close them and rely only on outhouses. Please place all of your trash in a trash can.



Refund Policy

No refunds will be issued after March 16th, 2012.



BYB INFORMATION

BYB is an independent, non-profit organization providing baseball and softball programs to over hundreds of boys and girls in Boone County. BYB was established in 1958 and is the oldest youth sports group in Boone County. BYB is run by volunteers. If you would like to be a volunteer, we have multiple opportunities for you to help. Please visit our website for more information.

If you have an issue with your team, please address it with your player first. Then, discuss the issue with your coach. If you are unable to reach an agreeable resolution, you should contact your league commissioner. If needed, your commissioner will get the necessary board members involved.

Remember to visit us on the web at **bybonline.org**. Questions about the organization can be directed to BYB President Rich Tomman at rich@wheelsbyrt.com.