



Baseball / Softball

Parents Meeting
February 28, 2013
6:30pm

Agenda

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Goals and Directions

- **To be the best youth athletic experience.**
 - Feedback from parents
 - Consistency
 - Simplicity
 - Communication
- **To promote recreational sports.**
 - Non-competitive
 - Sportsmanship

3-4 Instructional Clinic

- Defining the skills needed for each age group
- Developing progressive building blocks for each age division
- Sportsmanship
- Respect for the team
- All games Tuesday and Thursday at WW Flowe Field, Hartsell or Rocky River Elementary School beginning at 6pm or 7pm.

Time Line

(Age Group 3 & 4 year old)

- **Parents Meeting:** February 28, 2013 @ 6:30pm at the Academy Recreation Center
- **Instructional Games/Practices will Begin:**
April 23, 2013 - Change
- **Games End:** Week of June 3 or 10, 2013

Time Line

(Age Groups 5-6 / 6-8 / 9-10 / 11-12 /13-15)

- **Parents Meeting:**
February 28 @ 6:30pm at the Academy Recreation Center
- **Practices Begin:**
Week of March 18, 2013
- **Games Begin:**
Week of April 15, 2013
Tentative - Super Saturday April 13, 2013
- **Games End:** Week of June 14, 2013

Schedules and Divisions

- Schedules will be available by **April 11th** for the 3-4 division.

- Schedules will be available by April 8th for 5-6
 - *This division play in house against only Concord approved teams.*

- Schedules for the 7-8 / 9-10 / 11-12 / 13-15 age group divisions will be available ASAP.
 - *These divisions play county wide against other associations.*

Sources of Information

- Website www.concordparksandrec.org
 - This is your #1 source for schedules and info.
 - All scheduling information will be posted to the website in an easy to identify and read fashion
 - Rescheduled games
 - Information on other programs
 - Rules and Regulations
 - Contact Information

Sources of Information

- **The Athletic Hotline – 704-920-5640.**
 - Hotline is updated with need to know daily information.
 - Game cancelations are the primary focus of this hotline.
 - Hotline is updated by 3:00 pm Friday afternoons.
 - No UPDATE then NO CHANGES

Rain Outs

- Games are played during the week and on Saturday, but the Hotline is updated on Friday's or if sever weather arises?
 - The decision is based on several factors:
 - Recommendations from Concord Building & Grounds
 - Continuous monitoring of local weather radar.
 - Gut feelings.
 - One decision is not always right for every location. Very seldom do we loose every game at every field.

Cancelation Policy

(Only for Concord Home Games)

- If only one game is rained out, Concord will not reschedule one game.
- If 2 or more games are rained out, Concord will reschedule as many games as possible beginning with the 1st canceled game.
- Rescheduled games will be played on the first available time slot or the Saturday following the regular playing season and continue playing weekly until make-up games are completed.
- Make up games will be rescheduled in chronological order.
- County Associations reschedule canceled games at their discretion.

Team Composition

3-4 age group / 5-6 age group

- 3-4 division players are placed on teams at random.
- 3-4 division - Request are granted when possible if at all feasible.
- 5-6 division returning players stay with the same team. A team must return 4 players.
- All players entering the 5-6 division for the first time will be drafted by the coaches.
- Request are granted when possible if at all feasible.

Team Composition

(7-8 / 9-10 / 11-12 / 13-15 age groups)

- Concord follows the Cabarrus County Draft Policy.
- Returning players in the same age division stay with the same team regardless of coach returning or not.
- A team is defined as returning at least 4 players.
- A player entering a new age division must enter the draft.
- If a team does not have enough returning players, the team will be put in the draft.

Coaches

- Coaches are needed in **3 & 4 and 9-10 Girls** age divisions – if you are interested please contact Sheila Lowry at 704-920-5618 or email at lowrys@concordnc.gov
- 3 hrs per week
- Coaches Vouchers
- Community involvement

Facebook

- Visit us on Facebook
- Updates about current season
- Future Programs
- Concord Parks and Recreation
 - Choose to Like

Playing Locations

- 3-4 Division will play at WW Flowe Field, Hartsell or Rocky River Elementary School
- 5-6 Division will play at WW Flowe Field, Hartsell, McAllister or Les Myers
- All other divisions will play Home games at:
 - WW Flowe Field
 - Gibson Field
 - Webb Field
 - McAllister
 - Les Myers
 - Hartsell
- Site Supervisors at each location:
 - WW Flowe is Theron Aldridge
 - Webb Field/Gibson Field/McAllister is Emily Freeman
 - Hartsell Field is Rob Whistnat
 - Les Myers is Brandon Bost

Uniforms

- Uniform colors and team names are assigned by sponsors or at random.
- Please – Don't purchase pants until after your first practice.
- Uniforms will be available before the 1st game.

Equipment Needed

- Ball Glove
- Mandatory Mouth Pieces or Face Shields for infielders based on age group and rules.
- Bats – The Rules and Regulations for each age group will list the requirements
- Cleats – Based on age group

Sponsors

- \$225 to sponsor a team
- Sponsors receive “name” on front of jersey
- Team Plaque
- Sponsor recognition in our schedules and other appropriate publications

Playing Rules

- A copy of Concord Youth Baseball/Softball Playing rules can be downloaded from www.concordparksandrec.org
 - Parents must sit outside the dugouts

Expectations of Parents

- To support your player and team in a positive manner.
- To conduct yourself in a manner befitting an adult.
- To demonstrate sportsmanship to all players, parents, officials and spectators.
- To bring concerns or opportunities to the attention of appropriate Parks and Rec personnel.
- To make arrangements for players to attend all practices and games
- All fields and facilities are “**tobacco free**”

Parents' Code of Ethics

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth---not for adults.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches Code of Ethics.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Youth Coaches Code of Ethics

- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for all of the skills that I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

Coach Signature

Date

Print Name_____

Age Group_____

Questions

- Call the Athletic Office @ 920-5600
- Check the website,
www.concordparksandrec.org

Thank You for Coming

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NORTH CAROLINA

