



NORTH SUBURBAN YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

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2011 NSYBA FALL BALL

TO: NSYBA Community Representatives
FROM: Joe Hasman, Tom Kendall and Mases Hagopian, NSYBA Commissioners
DATE: July 31, 2011

The NSYBA Fall Season starts on Saturday, August 27, 2011. Games are scheduled every Saturday through October 16, 2011. Additional games can be specially scheduled if weather permits and if teams wish to play past that weekend or on week nights and Sundays, depending on demand and field availability.

The 2011 Fall Ball Local Rules are attached and should be read by anyone sponsoring a team. Our Fall Ball program is intended for players in the seventh or eighth grade or freshmen in high school. In rare circumstances and only with a commissioner's permission, players entering the sixth grade may be rostered if they can safely play at the pony level. Special pitching rules apply to encourage development of young pitchers. (See Local Rule 8) For example, no player may pitch more than two innings in any one game; freshmen as a group may pitch no more than two innings per game; and sixth and seventh graders as an age group must pitch no less than two innings per game. Of course, adjustments must be made if there aren't sufficient sixth and seventh graders on the team. If you provide us with an estimate of the strength of your team (1 being strong, 2 being average, 3 being below average), we will try to match relative strengths when scheduling games. The Julio Rule (Local Rule 4F) will apply to prevent or keep slaughter scores to a minimum. IF there is sufficient interest, we can also accommodate "senior" play among strong teams of mostly eighth graders who will play without age-related pitching restrictions.

As soon as possible we need from each community that intends to participate in NSYBA Fall Ball:

1. the number of teams the community will sponsor; contact information (telephones, e-mails, and addresses) for the fall season community representatives and also for the manager of each team,
2. an \$80.00 registration fee for each team (make checks payable to NSYBA), and
3. the name of each park or ball field the sponsoring community can use for home games and which we will use to make up the schedule and the dates and times we can schedule games on those parks and fields. With this information, we can get started immediately with scheduling.

No later than August 20 we must have

1. a roster for each team with player and coach contact information and player birthdates plus grades in school,
2. a liability waiver and age-certificate signed by each player and at least one parent/guardian, and
3. a certificate from the sponsoring community's liability carrier showing liability insurance coverage through at least November 15, 2011 with the North Suburban Youth Baseball Association (NSYBA) as an additional assured.

On the NSYBA website (www.nsyba.org) home page you will find a link to various forms that can be downloaded for mandatory player waivers and mandatory team rosters and for optional forms to chart player availability, line-ups, and like matters. Please carefully review all the Local Rules for 2010 Fall Ball; get us your roster, insurance and paper requirements and checks no later than August 31; and contact one of us promptly if you have any problem meeting this deadline or have any questions.

Finally, please pass this memo on to every community representative, coach, parent, or individual that you can think of that should have received it or that you think would be interested. *PLAY BALL!*

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