



RIDGEWOOD BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

www.RBSA.us

DON'T DELAY...IT'S TIME TO SAVE

EARLY BIRD RATES ARE AVAILABLE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2018

To Register: Follow the links through www.RBSA.us or go directly to www.ridgewoodsports.org. This is the only form of registration, and only with credit/debit cards.*

Now in our 68th year, the RBSA is pleased to offer boys and girls the opportunity to play Baseball, Softball, and Pre-K Kickball in the spring of 2019 both recreationally and in competitive travel leagues.

PRE-K KICKBALL: This coed, spring recreational program is designed for pre-kindergarten children 3-5 years old. It is designed to introduce kids to base running, team play and the basic concepts of baseball / softball. Pre-K Kickball has quickly become a popular program reaching its player cap for four consecutive seasons. *Please sign up early* and save your spot. Visit www.rbsa.us for additional details.

SPECIAL ALL STARS PROGRAM: The program is designed for children with special needs and is open to residents of Ridgewood and surrounding towns. Each participant (ages 5 and up) is matched with a peer volunteer (ages 12 and up) to assist them through baseball/softball stations (throwing, hitting off a tee, etc.). RBSA board members and coaches will be on hand to direct the participants and volunteers through the stations. It is a very rewarding experience for all involved! Click here www.rbsa.us for more information and please pass this information to anyone you know who has a special needs child.

REC BASEBALL NOTE: The RBSA's Recreational baseball programs will be guided by the Little League age requirement as described in our Little League Charter. Exceptions to this are Kindergarten Instructional and 1st Grade baseball. Please visit www.rbsa.us and www.littleleague.org for more information.

TRAVEL BASEBALL & SOFTBALL NOTES: As in years past, anyone interested in participating on a Travel team must register for TRAVEL BALL TRYOUTS. TRAVEL BASEBALL TRYOUTS for ages 9U-14U took place in October and teams have been formed. 8U TRAVEL BASEBALL TRYOUTS will take place in January. TRAVEL SOFTBALL TRYOUTS will take place in early spring with more information to follow. A non-refundable \$30 administrative fee for all tryout registrants helps offset expenses associated with the tryout process. You must register for a Spring Recreation program in order to be eligible for these programs.

* **Softball Pre-Winter workouts** will take place in November and December. Details to follow.

* **Softball Winter Workout Program** will begin in January. Details to follow.

* **Baseball Winter workouts** will take place at Teel's this year. More details to follow.

Special Note to Parents of 4 -6th graders:

Prior to registering for travel Baseball or Softball, please consider the ramifications of your child registering for sports OTHER THAN THE IN SEASON SPORT. Trying to play out-of-season sports such as soccer during softball season and visa/versa creates conflicts for the player and negatively impacts the IN SPORT team. Missing practices and games is not fair to your child's teammates or their volunteer coaches, who have spent time and effort to draft teams. For this reason we ask that you give serious consideration to registering for only one spring sport. Placement of players on competitive teams will be impacted by those that cannot focus on Baseball and Softball during the Baseball and Softball season.

RBSA SPONSORS: Would you, or an organization you know of, consider sponsoring an RBSA team? Not only is this a great bargain, it's a great way to be an invaluable part of our community. Without our wonderful sponsor support, the fees charged to players would substantially increase. Please contact us at the email address above if interested. You or your company name will be acknowledged on our website and/or rec team uniforms. If sponsorship is not feasible, donations of any amount are always welcome through your registration process.

DONATIONS: In the past few years, private donations enabled the RBSA to complete several large capital projects – the restoration of the baseball field at Citizens Park, refurbished Softball Fields and work towards a new dedicated 60/90 baseball field for RBSA Rec & Travel, and RHS Baseball.

COACHES & VOLUNTEERS are our most valuable resources! Coaching an RBSA team or volunteering to help in any number of ways is an enjoyable, fulfilling way to serve our community. We are continually looking to utilize the many and varied talents of our parents. As you register your child, please consider registering yourself as a coach, or volunteer for any of a number of critical needs such as field maintenance, publicity, sponsorships, uniforms, merchandise, the Annual Parade & Family Fun Fair, Championship Weekend, etc.

We look forward to seeing your child/children on the fields this spring!

Scott Muller

President, RBSA

* If you do not have a credit/debit card or are in need of financial assistance, please contact us via email at info@rbsa.us

RBSA Statement of Philosophy

The Ridgewood Baseball & Softball Association's (**RBSA**) primary objective is to provide an opportunity for the young men and women of the community to learn to play the games of baseball and softball in an atmosphere that will reinforce the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, teamwork, and to foster their growth into healthy and responsible citizens. We provide Spring and Summer recreational programs as well as advanced, competitive travel programs in the Spring, Summer and Fall.