

# RIDGEFIELD BORO ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION

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RIDGEFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07657

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The 2017 Little League baseball/softball season is coming! Opening Day is April 8, 2017. Evaluations are in February 2017.

The RBAO is starting a new early registration period. Registrations are open now! You can register online at [www.rbao.org](http://www.rbao.org). Online registration is convenient and easy. We have simplified the process and offer a \$10 early registration discount for registrations before January 1, 2017. The regular deadline for registration is February 12, 2017. If you register after February 12, your child may be placed on a waiting list if there are no openings.

If you cannot register online, you can register: (1) by mail to RBAO, P.O. Box 54, Ridgefield, NJ 07657, (2) in person at the Recreation Office located by the Pool Complex weekdays from 9:00-5:00, or (3) in person at:

- Slocum Skewes Gym and RBAO Clubhouse (at Five Firemen's Field): Jan. 14, 21, and 28, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon (during Saturday morning basketball games)
- RBAO Clubhouse: Wednesdays, Jan. 18 and Feb. 1, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Ridgefield High School Gym: February 12 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. (during evaluations)

Our Little League program is open to all boys and girls ages 5 to 16. We look forward to welcoming back our past players, as well as all new players. Children who have not played before are our players of tomorrow!

The RBAO council members and coaches do this because youth baseball and softball are great programs for our kids. As you can imagine, a lot of work goes into organizing, planning, and running these programs. If you want to help and be part of your child's experience, please volunteer and join us. We would welcome any additional help you can provide to make 2017 another great season.

Sincerely,

Jon Haase, President

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## 2017 Baseball and Softball Registration Form

### PLAYER INFORMATION:

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ☐ male ☐ female Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**If this is a new player, enclose copy of birth certificate or government-issued proof of age.**

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

### SPORT (choose one):

☐ Baseball ☐ Softball

### LEVEL (choose one):

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tee Ball (ages 5-6*)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor League Baseball (ages 8-11*) | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls Jr. Softball (ages 8-12***)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coach Pitch (ages 7-8*) | <input type="checkbox"/> Major League Baseball (ages 9-12*) | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls Sr. Softball (ages 13-15***) |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. League Baseball (ages 13-14**) |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. League Baseball (ages 15-16**) |   |

\*By 8/31/17. Age 12 eligible if still 12 on 4/30/17. \*\*By 4/30/17. \*\*\*By 12/31/16.

Please see the enclosed information sheet on evaluations.

### FEE:

**\$70** for Tee Ball or Coach Pitch; **\$95** for others. (Make checks payable to RBAO; put child's name on check).

**\$10** early registration discount if registration submitted by January 1, 2017.

If you are registering three or more children, there is NO fee for third child (youngest child).

### PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION TO PLAY AND WAIVER:

I am the parent or guardian of the child identified above. I give my consent to the child's participation in any and all activities during the current season. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation, including, but not limited to, transportation for activities, equipment used, assignment of my child to a team, coaching of my child, field conditions, and play position. I hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the RBAO and all its affiliated leagues and programs, organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, council members, managers, coaches, umpires, and persons transporting my child except to the extent and in the amount covered by the RBAO's accident or liability insurance, if applicable.

I have read the concussion information fact sheet for parents and athletes at [www.cdc.gov/Headsup](http://www.cdc.gov/Headsup) or [www.RBAO.org](http://www.RBAO.org) with my child and talked about what to do if they have a concussion or any serious head injury.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

☐ I can volunteer as a Manager or Coach. I will submit a volunteer application (available at [www.rbao.org](http://www.rbao.org)).

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## **2017 Baseball and Softball**

### **Evaluation and Placement Information**

Player evaluations will be held in February 2017. The goal of the evaluations is for players to be placed at the levels where they can best play, develop, and have fun. These are not “try outs” – all players are placed.

#### **Evaluation and Placement Requirement:**

**Softball:** Any child who did not play on a softball team last season **must attend the evaluation to be considered for softball play.** A child must be at least 8 years old by 12/31/16 **and** be in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade or higher to play softball. Anyone who played on a Ridgefield softball team last year does not need to attend an evaluation this year.

**Baseball:** Any child who was not on a major league (or higher) baseball team last season **must attend the evaluation to be considered for minor league or major league play.** A child must be at least age 7 (by 8/31/17) to be eligible for minor league play and at least age 9 (by 8/31/17) to be eligible for major league play. However, **meeting the age requirement does not guarantee that a child will be placed on a minor or major league team.** Placement will depend on the evaluation. Anyone who played on a Ridgefield major league (or higher) baseball team last year does not need to attend an evaluation this year.

#### **Evaluation Dates and Times:**

**Sunday, February 12, 2017 at Ridgefield Memorial High School Gym**

Softball – 12:00 Noon  
Baseball – 1:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 7:00 at Ridgefield Memorial High School Gym**  
(make-up evaluation for players who miss 2/12/17 evaluation)

#### **Registrations:**

**You can register in person at the evaluations. However, if you do not register by February 12, 2017, your child may be placed on a waiting list. Also, you must register before January 1, 2017 to receive the \$10 early registration discount.**

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