

RIDGEFIELD BORO ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION

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Five Firemen's Field
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Dear Parents and Guardians:

January 2012

The RBAO Council would like to wish you a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

It's Registration Time Again for the upcoming 2012 softball and baseball season.

Enclosed you will find a registration form, along with other important dates and times.

Registration can be completed **by mail, in person** at the RBAO Clubhouse or **dropped off** at the Recreation Office. If registering by mail or through the Recreation Office, you must include a **check or money order, payable to the "RBAO", along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, parent's driver's license and proof of residency (i.e. copy of the most recent utility bill)**. Cash will not be accepted at the Recreation Office & please do not send cash by mail. **New participants will need to register in person** at the RBAO Clubhouse (see schedule on registration form) and **must show an original birth certificate**.

Registration must be received by January 31st! Registration packets received after January 31st will be assessed a \$35.00 late fee and your child may be placed on a waiting list if there are no openings. Please understand that we are not trying to penalize anyone. It is important to have the actual number of players in order to set up teams, obtain sponsors and order uniforms and equipment. Refunds are granted if requested prior to the first practice or if openings are unavailable.

Any child that did not play on a softball team last season **must attend the evaluation to be considered for softball play**. Your child must be 8 years old and in 3rd Grade to participate.

Any child that is not currently on a major league baseball team **must attend the evaluation to be considered for major league play**. Your child must be age 9 through 12 (by 4/30/12).

Any child that is eligible for minor league baseball **must attend the evaluation to be considered for a minor league team**. For minor league eligibility your child must be 8 years old by 4/30/12. The purpose of the evaluation is to balance talent among the teams fairly for the benefit of the players.

As you can well imagine, there is much work that goes into organizing, planning and running the baseball and softball programs. We have thirteen (13) council members on the RBAO who have been working very hard to make this upcoming season a smooth and successful one. **WE ASK FOR YOUR HELP!** Your children need managers, coaches and people to work the snack stand. We rely on the proceeds from our snack stand to help keep registration fees low. Accordingly, **we will require one parent for each child to work two (2) games in the snack stand**. If you want to help and be part of your child's experience, please come join us. We would welcome any additional help you can provide. Please let us know.

Sincerely,

Frank Elenio, President

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Sal Cumella, Vice President
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2012 Season Calendar

Registration: Deadline is January 31st, 2012

Otherwise there will be a \$35.00 late fee and your child may be placed on a waiting list if there are no openings. If you fail to register on time your child may also lose the opportunity to play on a major or minor league team.

Evaluations: Sunday, Feb. 12th, 2012 - Ridgefield Memorial High School

All Softball - 12:00 PM	9-year olds - 1:30 PM	11-year olds - 2:30 PM
8-year olds - 1:00 PM	10-year olds - 2:00 PM	12-year olds - 2:30 PM

Wednesday, February 15th, 2012 is for make-ups only, 7:00 PM (High School Gym)

If your child is 9 through 12 years of age, and does not participate in the evaluation, he or she will not be considered for major league baseball. If your child is 8 years of age (plus 3rd grade for softball), and does not participate in the evaluation, he or she will not be considered for softball or minor league play.

Practice:

The first practice will start approximately the second week in March, depending on the manager's schedule. For the Instructional Clinic there will be practice or games on either Saturday or Sunday. We cannot accommodate a child's schedule for practice or game times.

Opening Day: Saturday, April 14th, 2012 (Rain Date: Sunday, April 15th at 1:30 PM)

Parade will leave Community Center at 12:00 PM; Ceremony will follow at Five Firemen's Field. **Team and Individual Pictures will also be scheduled on this day.**

All Stars:

If your child is selected for an all-star baseball or softball team, they **must be available for the last half of June and the entire month of July**. This will depend upon how far the team advances in the tournament. If you would like your child eligible for the All Star Team, please **schedule your vacations accordingly**.

Deadline to Return Uniforms or Pants: Thursday, June 21st, 2012

From 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the RBAO clubhouse. After this date all deposits will be forfeited.

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2012 Baseball and Softball Registration Form

<u>League</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Fee</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee (Instructional Clinic)	5-6	\$65.00 (must be age 5 by 4/30/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Tiny Tim (Coach Pitch)	7-8	\$65.00 (must be age 7 by 4/30/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Minor League Baseball	8-11	\$85.00 (must be age 8 by 4/30/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Little League Baseball	9-12	\$85.00 (must be age 9 by 4/30/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Girls Junior Softball	8-12	\$85.00 (must be age 8 by 1/1/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Girls Senior Softball	13-15	\$85.00 (must be age 13 by 1/1/2012)
<input type="checkbox"/> Babe Ruth Baseball	13-15	\$95.00 (must be age 13 by 4/30/2012)

Please note that the registration fee for every third child will be waived. **All checks should be made payable to the RBAO.**

Registration forms can be mailed to P.O. Box 54 or dropped off at the Recreation Office located by the Pool Complex. In-person registration will take place on the following dates at the RBAO Clubhouse, Five Firemen's Field (and at Slocum Skewes Gym on January 14th, 21st, 27th & 28th during basketball games):

Saturday	January 14th, 2012	10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Saturday	January 21st, 2012	10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Wednesday	January 25th, 2012	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Saturday	January 28th, 2012	10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Please note: All registrations by mail or in person must include a copy of the child's birth certificate and proof of residency (i.e. a recent utility bill). Please send only copies; do not send any original documents.

Any applicant not **registered by January 31st, 2012**, will be assessed a \$35.00 late fee in addition to the registration fee. The applicant may be placed on a waiting list; if openings do not become available the fees will be refunded.

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Applicant's Name	School	Grade
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Address	Primary Phone Number	Date of Birth
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Mother's Name	Cell Phone Number	
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Father's Name	Email Address	Other Phone #
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<u>Waiver Clause:</u>		
I/We the parents/guardians of the above participant hereby give my/our consent to his/her participation in any and all activities during the current season. I/We assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation, including, but not limited to, transportation for activities, equipment used, assignment of my/our child to a team, coaching of my child, field conditions and play position. I/We do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the RBAO and all their affiliated leagues and programs, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, managers, coaches, umpires, and persons transporting my/our child except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident or liability insurance, if applicable. The board of directors holds the right to refuse or suspend any child or young adult based on discipline problems or because of abuse of the program's equipment, and/or failure to return same. Uniforms and equipment must be returned when requested and in normal condition. Failure to do so will result in assessment or forfeit participation. The above fee is non-refundable once practices have commenced.		
As parent/guardian, I agree to assist the RBAO when called upon and by volunteering my time at least twice during the season.		
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Father's/Guardian's Signature	Date	Mother's/Guardian's Signature
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Please check your availability. Remember that this is a volunteer organization. The RBAO and your child need your help!

Manager

Coach

Volunteer's Name: _____ **(Must Complete & Submit Volunteer Application with Registration)**