

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is Barrington Youth Baseball & Softball?

Barrington Youth Baseball & Softball is a non-profit organization providing baseball and softball for children aged 5-17 in Barrington. The league is for players of all abilities within the boundaries of CUSD 220. There are a variety of programs from in house no cut leagues to competitive full time travel baseball and softball.

### When is registration?

Registration for the spring season begins in December. Players registering after February 19th will require an additional \$40 late fee. Registration will be offered online on our website at [www.bybs.net](http://www.bybs.net). There is no guarantee of team placement for players registering after March 12th.

### What is the cost? When is payment due? What is the refund policy?

## Payment and Refund Policy

### Payments

2010 rates are as follows:

#### Baseball

Divisions	Registered and Paid in full by Sunday, January 10, 2010	Registered and Paid in full by Friday, February 19, 2010
T-Ball - (5 and 6 year olds)	\$175	\$185
Rookies - (1st grade)	\$225	\$245
A - (2nd grade)	\$225	\$245
AA - (3rd grade)	\$225	\$245
AAA - (4th grade)	\$225	\$245
Majors - (5th & 6th grade)	\$235	\$255
Pony - (7th - 9th grade)	\$245	\$265
Colt - (9th - 11th grade)	\$245	\$265

#### Softball

Divisions	Registered and Paid in full by Sunday, January 10, 2010	Registered and Paid in full by Friday, February 19, 2010
Fillies (5 and 6 year olds)	\$175	\$185
Juniors (1st & 2nd grade)	\$195	\$215

Minors (3rd & 4th grade)	\$225	\$245
Majors (5th & 6th grade)	\$235	\$255
Seniors (7th - 9th grade)	\$245	\$265

Late registrations (those paid after Friday, February 19, 2010) require an additional \$40 fee.

Registration payments must be received by Friday, March 12, 2010 in order for a player to be assigned to a team. If payment is received after that date, the player will be assigned to a team only if space is available.

Additional fees for participating in travel, mustangs and all star programs are due on the date(s) set forth in the applicable rules.

### **Refunds**

You may cancel your registration and receive a refund equal to the registration fee you paid minus \$50 by notifying us in writing (e-mail [finance@bybs.net](mailto:finance@bybs.net)) prior to Friday, March 12, 2010. No refunds will be given for cancellations after Thursday, March 11, 2010.

Additional fees for participating in travel, mustangs and all star programs are not refundable.

### **How is a player's age bracket determined?**

The BYB&S House League structure is grade based. The younger players (boys Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and girls Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade) are placed with classmates on teams built around their school. Older players participate in divisions where players are drafted on to teams by coaches. Practices begin April 1<sup>st</sup> and the season ends in mid to late June. The House League is for all players within the boundaries of CUSD 220. All players are asked to participate in Evaluation Day the weekend of January 30th. Specific times for each division and age group are posted at [www.bybs.net](http://www.bybs.net).

### **How are teams formed?**

Our Teams are formed in mid-March. Younger divisions have teams built around the elementary schools. Older divisions host a draft attended by all coaches. Evaluations precede the draft to evaluate all players. Evaluation Day is January 30th. Evaluations are conducted to ensure a balance on all teams. All registered players are placed on a team.

### **Are players required to attend evaluations?**

All players are asked to attend Evaluation Day. It is not mandatory, but strongly recommended. Evaluations from prior spring seasons are recorded to help in this evaluation effort. Check the website for dates for your child's age and make a note on your calendar.

### **Can a player request to be on the same team as another player?**

Due to the amount of children who play in this program, we cannot guarantee that requests for carpools, friends, etc. will be honored. These requests are only possible for the young divisions where teams are built around the schools.

**Does BYB&S need coaches?**

Generally, yes, we are usually in need of coaches. Please check the box (either Manager or Coach) on the registration form if you are interested. You can also send an email indicating your interest to the appropriate commissioner. All commissioner names are listed under the Commissioner tab on the website.

**What is required to be a coach?**

We do require coaches to attend at least one, and possibly two coaching clinics prior to the start of the season. We ask that coaches commit to at least one practice a week during the season. All coaches must sign a Code of Conduct and submit to a background check.

**How many coaches per team?**

There are two to three designated coaches per team. Extra help is always needed, though. Please offer assistance to your child's coach once teams have been selected.

**When does the season start?**

Opening Day, 2010 will be April 17th.

**When does the season end?**

Regular season play ends in mid to late June. Playoffs, a double-elimination tournament, for some divisions will begin following the regular season and continue through the end of June.

**How many games are there?**

There are 18 to 20 games scheduled for most divisions;. Rainouts are not made up.

**When will I find out what team my child is on?**

Coaches are asked to notify their players prior to spring break. If you do not hear from a coach, please look at the Team Roster section of the website the week of spring break.

**Are uniforms provided?**

All players receive a jersey, hat and socks. Pants or shorts (for softball) are not provided.

**When are the games played?**

Teams will play 2-3 games per week. Usually one mid-week game is scheduled at 6:00pm, while the remaining games for the week are played on Saturday and Sunday. Some older divisions will play an occasional 8pm game.

**Where are games played?**

- T-Ball and Fillies will play at Langendorf Park or Station/Lines schools.
- Baseball grades 1-6 will use these fields, as well as the Fields of Dreams complex at Barrington High School, Deer Park and South Barrington.

- Pony level baseball will play at Ron Beese park.
- Softball plays at Fields of Dreams, Langendorf Park, and Station/Lines.

**How do I know if a game is rained out?**

As soon as the determination is made that the fields are too wet to be played on, a message is posted on the website under the Cancellations tab. Coaches are asked to notify their players as soon as they know of a cancellation. Weather cannot be controlled, and BYB&S does its best to post the information as soon as a decision has been made.

**Does BYB&S have post-season teams?**

Yes. For boys, ages 8 and up, and girls 8 and older, All-Star team tryouts are held in May. Teams play 2 to 4 tournaments during the month of July.

**Does BYB&S have Travel baseball and softball?**

Yes. For the most advanced players, BYB&S Full Time travel teams are formed during the summer for the following year and provide the highest level of development and competition for those interested in participating in an open tryout. There is also a Mustangs program that allows players to participate in the House league with all of their classmates and play on a Mustangs team with other advanced players at the same time in a part time travel format.

**Do players have to live in Barrington to participate in BYB&S?**

Players have to reside within the District 220 boundaries to be eligible to participate in a BYB&S program.

**What is involved in sponsoring a team?**

Please send an indicating your interest to [admin@bybs.net](mailto:admin@bybs.net)