

Tee-Ball, Little League Baseball, Junior & Senior League Baseball,
Senior Babe Ruth, & Softball
Westboro Little League, Inc.
Registration for Spring 2005

ON-LINE REGISTRATIONS START 1/7/05

****Saturday, January 29, 2005**

Hastings School from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm

**All registrations after February 28, 2005, will be charged a late fee
Of \$25 (except new residents). Last date for all registrations will be
March 10, 2005**

Although opening day is several months away, the Westboro Little League Board, and the respective Baseball and Softball Boards, have been hard at work making plans for the upcoming season. With over 1,000 boys and girls expected to sign up there is a program for everyone.

Softball - Ages 6 to 15

League age (As of 7/31/05) Fee

Girls Tee-Ball 6 years old \$55

Girls Softball 7-15 years old \$80

Fee includes \$5 for Softball Banquet

Baseball –Ages 5 to 16

League Age (As of 7/31/05) Fees

Tee-Ball 5-6 years old \$55

Little League 7-12 years old \$75

Jr. & Sr. League 13-16 years old \$95

****Scholarships are available on an as needed basis****

**There is a maximum family cost of \$175 for Little League, Tee-Ball & Softball.
(Maximum family cost does NOT include Jr. & Sr. League)**

**** Effective this year 2005, Little League is implementing a \$10 uniform pants charge additional to the standard fees. So whatever your fee is, please make sure to add the \$10 fee. At the end of the season the pants will remain the players' property.**

Every player must submit a copy of his or her birth certificate for our permanent files, even if you have previously registered with Westborough Little League (If not already on file). In addition, all participants and parents or guardians must sign a waiver of liability.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the following Board Presidents:

President - Executive Board	John Dion	366-9877
President -Little League Baseball	Joe Black	898-2323
President - Jr. and Sr. League	Tim O'Day	366-7272
President - Sr. Babe Ruth	Skip Walsh	366-9575
President - Softball	Dave Collentro	870-1851

*****Visit our website at <http://www.westborolittleleague.org> to utilize our new online registration.**

Baseball

The Westboro Little League follows the official Little League guidelines for placement of players in various Tee-Ball and Baseball Divisions. These guidelines are a result of wisdom and experiences acquired from Little League of America, and are for the benefit of all the players.

Tee-Ball is intended to teach the basics of fielding, hitting and base running without the added complication of hitting a pitched ball. Tee-ball was first introduced in Westboro as a way of involving players earlier. Tee-Ball will be made up of players' age 5 and 6.

The **AA Division** strives to build confidence in the players by controlling the pitched ball. This is done by the use of coach pitching. The basics of player- pitching are introduced later in the season and if possible, are implemented in game situations. The AA Division will be made up of players' age 7 to 9.

The **AAA Division** is meant to advance the education process beyond the basics and prepare players for the competitive play of the Majors Division, baseball knowledge of the game, and the finer skills (pitching, catching, stealing, cut-offs, bunting) will be stressed in an educational environment. The AAA Division will be made up of players 9-12 years of age.

The only division meant to be competitive in Little League is the **Majors**. While all other divisions will be equal play for all players, the managers in the Majors Division will have the latitude to assign playing time based on a player's demonstrated knowledge, skill, and desire to play the game. However, there are minimum play-time rules in place. A competitive tournament follows regular season play. This Division is for players' ages 10-12 who are judged to be prepared to play at this level by Majors Division managers.

****Please contact Joe Black at 898-2323 with any questions.**

Junior and Senior League

Junior League is for boys ages 13 to 14. Senior League is for boys ages 15 to 16. There are minimum must-play rules for all players. There will be approximately 16 games, and then playoffs. Most Junior and Senior League games will be scheduled during the weekends. However, towards the second half of the season there will be some mid-week games. The towns we will be playing in our division during the regular season will be Grafton, Millbury, Auburn, and Leicester. Both Junior and Senior Leagues will be in the playoffs and also sponsor post-season all-star teams.

****Depending on the number of registrations, and the number of volunteer managers, we may have to restrict the number of players in the Jr. and Sr. Leagues. Please sign up as early as possible, and please consider signing up to manage/coach a team. ****

**Contact Tim O'Day at 366-7272 with questions.

Westboro will continue to sponsor one **Senior Babe Ruth** team to compete in the central Mass. Babe Ruth League. This is a very competitive league and plays other towns such as Framingham, Natick, Milford, Bellingham, and others. Tryouts and more information will be announced toward the end of the school season, and the season runs from June to the end of July. If you have any questions call Skip Walsh at 366-9575.

Softball

Welcome to the Westboro Little League Softball program! First and foremost, the board, coaches, and volunteers want the players and parents to have fun and enjoy the season. Our philosophy is to always remember that softball is a game. While playing the game not only will we have fun, but also learn good sportsmanship, teamwork, and develop different skill sets at different levels, which are listed below.

Tee-Ball (6 years old) – Kindergarten
AA- (7-8 years old) -----1st & 2nd Grade
AAA- (9-10 years old)---3rd & 4th Grade
Majors (11-12 years old) – 5th & 6th Grade
Seniors (13-15 years old) - 7th, 8th, & 9th Grade

Our priorities will include consistent training, coaching, and safety to ensure that all our players have the opportunity to learn the game's fundamental rules and skills in both the spring and summer recreational league. For those wishing to participate in our summer program, there will be two distinctly different levels of play. We will continue to offer a recreational program similar to the spring, and for those more serious-minded there will be ASA traveling tournament teams.

The recreational league's highest priority will be to have fun and learn. The ASA tournament teams will have a much more competitive environment requiring a higher level of commitment from both players and parents. Tryouts for the ASA, U14, U12, and U10 teams will take place prior to the spring season.

We encourage and appreciate any participation that is offered from parents and family. For questions and /or suggestions call Dave Collentro at 870-1851.

Mail - in Registration

Players from last year should receive a mail-in registration package in January. You may send in your registration information or attend the sign-up at Hastings School on January 29, 2005. If you do not receive a mail-in registration package you can still mail in your registration. Just include the player's name, address, birth date, parent's contact information, and a copy of the player's birth certificate. Mail this information with a check, to **Westboro Little League** for the amount listed on the front of this document to:

Westboro Little League
P.O. Box 164
Westboro, MA 01581

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VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - The success and quality of our baseball and softball programs depends on our volunteers. There are many ways you can help out that are not limited to managing or coaching. We need help with the preparation of the fields, equipment management, team photography sessions, the Opening Day Parade, year-end banquets, the Annual Golf Tournament, and running the concession stands. Please contact your league president for more information.

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Please contact Maura Shunney - Sponsorship Coordinator at 870-0537, or MAURAMQS@aol.com, if interested in sponsoring a team or banner.

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