

## Park Ridge Baseball/Softball

<b>GIRLS</b>		<b>BOYS</b>	
Future Stars	5 and 6	Future Stars	5 and 6
Little Sluggers	6	Little Sluggers	6 and 7
Wildkit	7 and 8	Wildcat	7 and 8
Junior	9 and 10	American Association	9 and 10
Pre-teen	11 and 12	Junior League (National & American Divisions)	11 and 12
Pony Girls	13 - 15	Pony	13 and 14
		Colt	15 – 17

League age is how old the player will be on 9/1 of the current season

**Future Stars:** Instructional tee-ball league for 5 & 6 year old boys and girls to learn the fundamentals of baseball/softball. Games are played primarily on Saturday afternoons beginning in late May and concluding by the end of July. Practice is once per week, and is held in the evening. Games are primarily played at various locations throughout the city. Games will consist of 3 innings or 1 hour and 15 minutes, whichever occurs first.

**Little Sluggers:** Baseball league for 6yr old boys & girls & 7 year old boys. (7 yr old girls play in the Wildkit Girls Division since it is coach pitch also.) Instructional league, with various special rules. Emphasis on learning the fundamentals of baseball. This league is designed for a 6 year old boys and girls who are too advanced for Future Stars and 7 year old boys, not yet ready for Wildcat. Regulation game consists of 4 innings or 1 hour and 30 minutes, whichever occurs first. Games are played primarily at various locations and can be played on any day during the week. Practice season begins in early May. Regular Season is 12-15 games, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>. Only one season can be played in Little Sluggers and 6 year olds must have played Future Stars as a 5 year old.

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### **Girls Softball Program:**

**Wildkit Girls:** Softball league for 7 & 8 year old girls. Instructional league, with playing rules according to Pony Softball for Girls, some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. This league begins with coach pitch and concludes with player pitch. Emphasis on learning the fundamentals of girls' softball. Regulation game consists of 5 innings, with no new inning beginning after 1 hour 45 minutes from the start of the game. Games (2 per week) are played primarily at Centennial Park. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 12-15 games, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Junior Girls:** Softball league for 9 & 10 year old girls. Instructional semi-competitive league, with playing rules according to Pony Softball for Girls, some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Emphasis on learning the fundamentals of girl's softball. Regulation game consists of 6 innings. Games (2 per week) are played primarily at Northwest and Kalina. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 12-15 games and playoffs, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Pre-Teen Girls:** Competitive league for 11 & 12 year old girls, with playing rules according to Pony Softball for Girls, some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 6 innings. Games (2 per week) are played primarily at Brickton and Hinkley Parks. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 12-15 games and playoffs, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Pony Girls:** Competitive league for 13, 14& 15 year old girls, with playing rules according to Pony Softball for Girls, some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 7 innings. Games(2-3 per week) are played primarily at Hinkley and Maine South . Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 12-15 games and playoffs, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Boys Baseball Program:**

**Wildcat:** Baseball league for 7 & 8 year old boys. Instructional semi-competitive league, with playing rules according to Little League Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. This is the first boys' player pitch league. Emphasis on learning the fundamentals of baseball. Regulation game consists of 5 innings; no inning shall start after 1 hour and 45 minutes from the start of the game. Games (2 per week) are played primarily at Maine, Northwest and Southwest Parks and Lincoln School. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 12-15 games, concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**American Association AA-9:** Baseball league for 9 year old boys. Competitive league, with playing rules according to Little League Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 6 innings, with no time limit. Games(2 per week) are played primarily at Centennial and Northwest Parks and Kalina Field (South Park). Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 16 games, plus playoffs and tournament concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**American Association AA-10:** Baseball league for 10 year old boys. Competitive league, with playing rules according to Little League Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 6 innings, with no time limit. Games(2 per week) are played primarily at Centennial and Northwest Parks and Kalina Field (South Park). Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 16 games, plus playoffs and tournament concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Junior Boys:** Baseball league for 11 & 12 year old boys, with **American** and **National** divisions based on ability. Competitive league, with playing rules according to Little League Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Players are divided into 2 divisions based on ability. American Division plays Bronco rules (leadoffs, etc.). National Division play Little League rules. Regulation game consists of 6 innings, with no time limit. Games(2-3 per week) are primarily played and at Hinkley and JayCee Parks. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 18-20 games, plus playoffs and tournament concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Pony Boys:** Baseball league for 13 & 14 year old boys. Competitive league, with playing rules according to Pony Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 7 innings, with no time limit. Games(2-3 per week) are played primarily at Northwest Park & Lincoln School. Practice season begins in mid-April; Regular Season is 18-20 games, plus playoffs and tournament concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Colt Boys:** Baseball league for 15, 16 & 17 year old boys. Competitive league, with playing rules according to Major League Baseball Inc., some rules superseded by Park Ridge Baseball/Softball. Regulation game consists of 7 innings, with no time limit. Games(2 per week) are played on Saturday & Sunday at Southwest Park, Maine South and Maine East High Schools. Practice season begins in late-May; Regular Season is 8-10 games, plus playoffs and tournament concluding by July 31<sup>st</sup>. This league does not conflict with HS baseball or "summerball"