



Park Ridge Baseball/Softball

It has been the policy of Park Ridge Baseball/Softball (PRBS) to serve in the best interests of the entire baseball/softball community and will always continue to be.

Keeping the integrity of the house leagues and creating an opportunity for everyone to learn and play is vital to our program. PRBS knows that its most valuable assets are the players and coaches of the league. PRBS strives to offer all of its players the opportunity to compete at all levels.

As PRBS celebrates over 50 years of serving the entire community, we are once again proud to respond to the parents/players/coaches wishes for an expanded opportunity for all boys and girls, ages 10-17 to compete at a higher caliber of play in tournament-level and All Star competition. With the various levels of post-season play available to each and every player, the strength and integrity of the entire program will continue to grow and strive for decades to come. PRBS has 4 different levels of all-star (travel) teams.

- Full time travel (High School Girls/Pony Boys/Girls)
- Warriors (10-12 year olds) Full Year Tournament teams
- Pistols (u12, u 14) Full Year Tournament teams
- Post Season Tournament Teams (8-14 yr olds)
- All-Star Gala Teams (in-house 8-12 yr olds)

The **full time high school girls** teams are selected in the fall of the upcoming season, work out through the winter months, and begin play in June after the high school season concludes. This type of team is not offered for boys since the high schools have summer teams for boys, but not girls.

The **Warriors/Pistols** teams will consist of 12 players selected for their overall skill. These teams seek to prepare players for participation in the next level of baseball including High School and potentially college. These players are selected in the fall prior to the season, work out through the winter months, and play throughout the spring & summer, while also participating in the regular house league as well.

Post season Tournament Teams and the All-Star Gala Teams will be selected as a reward to the players having a great season. All of their competition takes place at the end of the regular house season

PRBS is not averse to having more than one team at any given age level if warranted. While commitment is expected in all of levels of play, an elevated sense of commitment to both the house league and travel team is expected for these all-star teams.

The underlying rule is that no player may miss more than 3 regular season games (non injury) and participate in any tournament team games.

Warriors/Pistols: (Players, Tryouts)

- Tryouts will be held at the conclusion of the spring season

- The Warrior/Pistols teams will consist of 12 players and be selected for it's overall competitiveness and depth.
- All players trying out must play in the house league the following year (if applicable)
- All players trying out must have either played in the house year the previous year or be a resident of Park Ridge
- Tryouts will be at least 1-2 days in length and will be conducted by the chosen manager and selected PRBS Board members/representatives
- Tryouts will test the individual skills in the following areas: infield and outfield play, arm strength and accuracy in the field, pitching, catching, hitting, foot skills as well as other skills
- Sound mechanics are much more important than hitting or fielding every ball
- Potential players must have sound mechanics in **all** areas of baseball/softball and must possess a **positive, team-orientated attitude with sportsmanship and respect for all players on all the teams**
- Players must tryout each year
- Once selected for a Warrior Team, a \$125 non-refundable check will be made out to PRBS, which will also cover the following regular season entry fee, and a portion of the extra expenses for the tourneys. etc.. Each player will be assessed the remaining costs for all other expenses incurred, including uniforms, training facilities, and game fees.

Warriors: (Games, Tournaments, Practice)

- **All teams will have the full support of PRBS**
- **PRBS will enter the Warriors/Pistols into 3 or more tournaments and work with each team in hosting a Park Ridge Tournament**
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- No player may miss more than 3 regular season games (non injury) and participate in any Warrior games.
- **The 13 and 14-year-old teams** will play in the Mid Suburban Baseball League
- **The 11 and 12-year-old teams** will play in the Junior League, NSBL and is allowed to schedule their own tournament and single game schedule with the assistance and approval from the PRBS Board.

Post Season Tournament Teams:

- The Post Season Tournament Teams are eligible for all players participating in the current house league and not on any Warrior/Pistol team
- League Managers of the 8-14 year old players along with the league commissioner and selected board members will select the team based off the current season performance in late June.
- A manager will be selected after the team is picked
- **This team is a reward for outstanding single season achievement by the player that is not on a Warrior/Pistol Team**
- The Post Season Tournament Teams will play at least 1 tournament near the end of July.
- Each Post season tournament player will be assessed a fee that will cover the cost of their uniforms and games.

All-Star Gala Teams:

- Managers of the 8-14 year old players along with the league commissioner and selected board members will select the team at the conclusion of the regular season based off the current season performance.
- A manager will be selected after the team is picked
- **This team is a reward for outstanding single season achievement by the player not chosen for the Post Season Tournament Team or the Warriors/Pistols**
- The All-Star Gala Teams for players aged 8-12 will play 1-3 games over the All-Star Gala Weekend in late July.
- There is no additional cost to participate on these teams