

COOPERSVILLE BANTAM BASEBALL LEAGUE
2008 SEASON INFORMATION

Please read this information thoroughly and keep until the season ends.

If you download and mail the registration form you are bypassing the fund raiser. Please be sure to include your family donation which is a minimum of \$15.00. You must be certain the form is complete and the appropriate amount of money is included. All incomplete forms will be returned and may hinder your registration process.

The league age is the age of your child on **April 30 of this year!** Older children are NOT allowed to participate with younger age groups.

- Parents must provide all players with a glove, **white baseball pants** and athletic shoes.
- **Requests** may or may not be granted. You **MUST** write **requests and conflicts** on your registration sheet. **NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE AFTER THE COACHES MEETING.**
- Please for the safety and welfare of your children; **NO DOGS and NO SMOKING** at the sports complex. Posted parking lot **SPEED LIMIT** is 15 MPH.
- With the exception of the 6 and 7 year olds your child **WILL** be scheduled to play at least one game during the week starting at 7:10 and ending about 8:45.
- **TEAMS WILL BE DRAFTED AFTER THE MARCH 15 FUNDRAISER DEADLINE.**
- You should receive a call from your child's coach late March or early April.
- Coaches may start practicing April 1st. Generally, teams will practice twice a week until the season begins. Uniforms will be distributed during practices.
- The season starts April 28. **EACH COACH WILL HAVE A COPY OF THE RULES. PLEASE ASK YOUR CHILD'S COACH IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE RULES. OUR RULES ARE MODIFIED TO MAXIMIZE LEARNING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE GAME, AND MINIMIZE THE FRUSTRATION OF LEARNING DIFFICULT HAND-EYE COORDINATION SKILLS. THERE IS NO EMPHASIS ON WINNING OR LOSING. THE ONLY REASON WE KEEP SCORE IN THE YOUNGER AGE GROUPS IS SO WE MAY KNOW WHEN TO END AN INNING.** The season ends June 6.
- **WEATHER RELATED GAME CANCELLATION POLICY WILL BE ON YOUR SCHEDULE.** The schedule will be posted at www.cityofcooperville.com on the home page under news and events.
- Six and seven year olds play **Tee ball** and use a soft Incrediball. Due to overwhelming growth, **Tee Ball teams will practice and play some games at a location other than the Sports Complex.** The **8 and 9** year olds will use the pitching machine and the reduced injury factor (RIF) ball. The **10, 11 and 12**-year-old teams play games vs Walker's Pioneer Baseball League.
- Your child may keep his/her cap.
- We pay umpires to work our games but they are not professionals. **PLEASE TREAT OUR UMPIRES WITH RESPECT. SHOW GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AT ALL TIMES.**