



Haverford Township Hilltop Baseball, Softball and Challenger League



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Age Requirements

Softball: Players age as of December 31, 2018 per Babe Ruth Softball Rules.

Baseball: Players age as of April 30, 2019 per Cal Ripken Baseball Rules (Babe Ruth League).

Pee Wee (4 years of age) – all children

The coed Instructional league is aimed at the introduction of the sport to players in a fun non-competitive environment. Sessions will be held at Steel Field on Saturday morning beginning in April. The first 35 minutes of the session will be instruction with a game to follow with teams made up of that day's participation. No records are kept, and player awards are presented at seasons end. Registration fee is only \$50 for this age group. Please wear shorts/sweats and sneakers. Children will receive a Hilltop T-shirt at their first session.

Softball (Baseball is on back)

Quickball (ages 5-6)

Quickball will replace Tee-Ball for the 2019 season. The co-ed league teaches and strengthens baseball/softball skills by offering multiple hitting, fielding, and throwing chances for all players during each game. Innovative concepts such as timed team at bats, rapid batter rotation and two-way scoring help keep games moving at a faster pace and gets everyone involved, which are critical elements in grabbing kid's attention today. All players will receive a full uniform and end of season trophies. Check it out at Quickball.org!

Cadette Division (ages 6-7-8)

The Cadette softball league is aimed at the development of softball fundamentals in a semi competitive environment. Players begin to use an eleven-inch softball, larger than the baseball used in Tee-ball. In the Cadette League, players hit pitches tossed by a pitching machine. Batters/runners are called safe or out, and scores for games are kept with run limits. Though standings are kept, the primary focus throughout the Cadettes' regular season is on players understanding of the game and development toward their own potential. Cadette Softball is played on a small field with 46ft bases and with four outfielders.

Minors softball (ages 9-10)

The Minors softball league is comprised of girls' ages 9 -10 and offers further player development under structured, game conditions. The game is divided by both player-pitch and pitching machine using regulation softballs, batters/runners are called safe or out, and scores for games are kept. The primary focus throughout the Minors' regular season is on players' understanding of the game and the development of pitching. For advanced players we have a Del Val travel team offering six innings of child pitch.

Majors softball (ages 11-12)

The Majors softball league is comprised of players ages 11-12 per ASA rules. Players learn and develop the more advanced techniques and strategies of the game, allowing them to experience inter-town recreation level play and prepare for play at advanced levels if desired. Player pitch and base stealing is allowed.



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Baseball

Quickball (ages 5)

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Cadet baseball (ages 6-7)

The Cadet baseball league is aimed at the continued development of baseball fundamentals in a semi-competitive environment. Cadet baseball uses a soft baseball. In the Cadet League players hit pitches tossed by a pitching machine. Batters/runners are called safe or out, and scores for games are kept with run limits though standings are kept, the primary focus throughout the Cadet regular season is on players' understanding of the game and development toward their own potential. Cadet Baseball is played on a small field with 48ft bases with four outfielders.

Prep baseball (age 8)

The Prep baseball level is intended to give players the initial opportunity to both pitch and face player pitching without any inordinate mismatch in size and age between pitcher and batter. Hard baseballs are used, and protective gear is required. The game format is 3 innings of player pitch and 3 innings of pitching machine. No stealing or bunting is allowed. Four outfielders are used as players become accustomed to a standard little league sized field.

Minors baseball (ages 9-10)

The Minors baseball level offer further player development under structured, game conditions. Players pitch hard balls, batters/runners are called safe or out, and scores for six-inning games are kept. Though standings are kept, the primary focus throughout the Minor's regular season is on players' understanding of the game and development toward their own potential. Balls and strikes are called, and players can advance at own risk with modified stealing rules.

Majors baseball (ages 11-12)

The Majors baseball is now **50/70** in that leads, steals and pick offs are introduced. This second-year division will bridge the players from traditional 46ft/60ft to 60ft/90ft baseball when they become thirteen. This level offers a competitive league for all players. Players learn and develop the more advanced techniques and strategies of the game. Games are seven innings.

WALK IN REGISTRATION DATES and TIMES

Registration Dates:

Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 10am-11:30am at Sacred Heart School

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 from 6:15pm-7:15pm at the Manoa Elementary School Cafeteria.

Contact Rich Rezer at 610-931-4041 with any questions regarding family registration discounts, programs we offer, or age determination.

CHALLENGER LEAGUE is for all Children with disabilities. Please contact Betty Berry at 610-760-7629 or Berryzoo3@aol.com to receive your special registration form via e-mail.