

HOWARD SUAMICO BOYS BASEBALL 2012 LEAGUE INFORMATION

(Ages 4 thru 15)

**ABSOLUTELY NO
REGISTRATIONS
WILL BE ACCEPTED
AFTER
MARCH 30th!!!**

Jan. 20 – Mar 4.....	Mail-in Registrations – No Late Fee
Mar 5 – Mar 30	Late Registrations Accepted w/\$10.00 Late Fee ONLY
April 17.....	Mandatory Draft Workouts for Minor Leagues - 6:00pm - Bay Port High School
April 19.....	Mandatory Draft Workouts for Major Leagues - 6:00pm - Bay Port High School
April 22	Bay Port Youth Baseball Clinic: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Grades K-6)
April 21-27	Coaches Contact Players w/Team and Practice Information
April 23 – May 10.....	Pony and Babe Ruth – Two practices a week (Monday thru Thursday)
April 30 – May 31.....	Pee Wee/Rookie/Minor/Major Leagues - Practices/Scrimmages (Tuesday and Thursday only)
May 21 – July 13.....	Pony/Babe Ruth Leagues Games and Play-offs (Two games a week Mondays thru Thursdays)
June 5 – July 26.....	Pee Wee/Rookie/Minor/Major Leagues Games and Play-offs (Tuesdays & Thursdays only)

ELIGIBILITY: (Based on age as of **April 30, 2012**). Boys ages 4 through 15 living in the Villages of Howard or Suamico, and/or attending school in the Howard-Suamico School District (with exemption approval outside of Howard/Suamico). Most ages have more than one league to choose from so please read the following league descriptions very carefully before making your selection. The **ONLY EXCEPTIONS** made for league age cut-offs will be in those cases where a boy is young for his grade (i.e. May/June/July/August birthday) and prefers to play with boys from his same grade; these boys should register up with their same grade, except for the Minor and Major NATIONAL Leagues – these leagues will use strict cut-offs based on player age, readiness, & ability. Therefore when registering for the Minor or Major NATIONAL Leagues, you **MUST** abide by the age cut off date of 4/30/12 (not child's grade) – **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

LEAGUES

❖ PEE WEE:

American: (Ages 4 & 5). This is an INSTRUCTIONAL TEE BALL LEAGUE. Coaches will begin to teach the boys the basic fundamentals of the game. No scores will be kept. Balls/strikes/outs are not recorded and players will hit off of a tee.

National: (Ages 5 & 6). This is an INSTRUCTIONAL COACH-PITCH LEAGUE. Coaches will begin to teach the boys the basic fundamentals of the game. No scores will be kept. Balls/strikes/outs are not recorded and if a player is unsuccessful hitting off of the coach, he will be allowed to hit off of a tee.

❖ ROOKIE:

American: (Ages 6 & 7). This is an INSTRUCTIONAL COACH-PITCH LEAGUE. Coaches will continue to teach the boys the fundamentals of the game; but at the same time they will begin to develop some of the more advanced requirements of the game. No scores will be kept; however, strikes will be recorded, with boys being called out under the normal rules of the game.

National: (Ages 7 & 8): This is an INSTRUCTIONAL COACH-PITCH LEAGUE. Coaches will continue to teach the boys the fundamentals of the game; but at the same time they will begin to develop some of the more advanced requirements of the game. Score will be kept and strikes will be recorded, with boys being called out under the normal rules of the game.

❖ MINOR: (Mandatory Draft Workout April 17 @ Bay Port High School for all Minor Leagues)

AAA: (Ages 8 & 9): This is a BEGINNER KIDS-PITCH LEAGUE. Boys will continue to be taught the fundamentals of baseball. Coaches will be required to rotate players evenly between infield and outfield positions. All boys will be given the opportunity to pitch if interested.

American: (Ages 9 & 10): This is an INTERMEDIATE KIDS-PITCH LEAGUE. Boys will continue to be taught the fundamentals of baseball. Coaches will be required to rotate players between infield and outfield positions. Boys wishing to play some of the more desired positions regularly should register for this league.

National: (Age 10 ONLY): This is an ADVANCED KIDS-PITCH LEAGUE. **Only 10 year olds** may register for this league; however, in order to balance rosters some 9 year olds may be selected to play up based on baseball knowledge and abilities (determined by league officials). Boys will apply the fundamentals of baseball that they have learned in previous years to advance their skills and abilities. Play time and position rotation rules will be minimal (i.e., coaches will not be required to rotate players between infield and outfield positions as often). 10 year olds wishing to play at a higher level of development should register for this league.

❖ MAJOR: (Mandatory Draft Workout April 19 @ Bay Port High School for all Major Leagues)

American: (Ages 11 & 12): This is an INTERMEDIATE KIDS-PITCH LEAGUE. Boys will continue to be taught the fundamentals of baseball. Coaches will be required to rotate players between infield and outfield positions. Boys wishing to play some of the more desired positions regularly should register for this league.

National: (Age 12 ONLY): This is an ADVANCED KIDS-PITCH LEAGUE. **Only 12 year olds** may register for this league; however, in order to balance rosters some 11 year olds may be selected to play up based on baseball knowledge and abilities (determined by league officials). Boys will apply the fundamentals of baseball that they have learned in previous years to advance their skills and abilities. Play time and position rotation rules will be minimal (i.e., coaches will not be required to rotate players between infield and outfield positions as often). 12 year olds wishing to play at a higher level of development should register for this league.

❖ **PONY:** (Age 13 / Grade 7 ONLY): This is a COMPETITIVE TRAVELING LEAGUE. Only 13 year olds (7th Graders) may register for this league. Boys will start to develop more advanced skills in a competitive environment. Games will be played on an intermediate size diamond against teams from other communities in the Bay Area Pony League. Minimum play time rules will apply (all boys are required to play at least 3 innings). There are no position rotation rules.

❖ **BABE RUTH:** (Ages 14 & 15 / Grades 8 & 9): This is a COMPETITIVE TRAVELING LEAGUE. Only 14 and 15 year olds (8th & 9th Graders) may register for this league. Boys will continue to develop more advanced skills in a competitive environment. Games will be played on a regulation size diamond against teams from other communities in the Bay Area Babe Ruth League. Minimum play time rules will apply (all boys are required to play at least 2 innings). There are no position rotation rules.

LEAGUE PERSONNEL	<u>Baseball Coordinator:</u> Linn Heinzen..... 434-8669	lheinzen@new.rr.com
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	<u>Rookie League Directors:</u> Tim Groff 530-7647 Craig Stelzer 606-6992	grofftd@gmail.com stelzerc@gmail.com
	<u>Minor League Directors:</u> Paul Landwehr 662-9338 Craig Cichanofsky..... 498-1551	plandwehr@gmail.com craigc@alwayscarebenefits.com
	<u>Major League Directors:</u> Jim Stanzel 662-0287 Jon Lapinskas..... 606-2454	jim.stanzel@us.schneider-electric.com jlapinskas@new.rr.com
	<u>Pony League Director:</u> Jon Weber 662-0027	jncweber@new.rr.com
	<u>Babe Ruth League Director:</u> Dan Dzekute 434-6512 Cory Albrecht 634-9785	daniel.dzekute@meadhunt.com calbrecht@iepartners.us
DRAFT WORK-OUTS	<u>Pee Wee & Rookie Leagues:</u> There is no pre-draft work-out for these leagues. All players will be assigned to a team and contacted by their coach by April 24 th . <u>Minor Leagues:</u> All players in these leagues are required to attend a mandatory draft workout on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. at Bay Port High School . All players will be contacted by their coach by April 27 th with team and practice information. <u>Major Leagues:</u> All players in these leagues are required to attend a mandatory draft workout on Thursday, April 19, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. at Bay Port High School . All players will be contacted by their coach by April 27 th with team and practice information. <u>Pony & Babe Ruth Leagues:</u> There is no pre-draft work-out for these leagues. All players will be contacted by their coach by April 21 st .	
REGISTRATION FORM/FEE	Fee varies for each league – see registration form. Mail In: Registration forms and checks (<i>made payable to Howard-Suamico Baseball</i>) are to be mailed to Howard-Suamico Boys Baseball, 2230 Autumn Ridge Trail, Green Bay, WI 54313. On-Line: Go to website - hysayouth.com.	
UNIFORMS	Jerseys/shirts are provided but must be returned at the end of the season (parents will be responsible for any unreturned uniforms or damages outside of normal wear & tear). Caps for the Pee Wee through Major Leagues are provided and may be kept by the boys at the end of the season. Caps for the Pony and Babe Ruth Leagues cost an extra \$18. Players are responsible for purchasing their own white baseball pants and colored leggings for all leagues.	
CONCESSION STANDS	Parents will not be required to work concessions; instead we are charging an additional \$10/player to cover the cost of hired workers; which is already included in the fees listed on the registration form.	
5-12's LEAGUE PICTURES	Mark your Calendars! Tuesday, June 19, 2012 , Bay Port High School Commons – Rain or Shine! Professional team & individual pictures will be taken by Harmann Studios. Times will vary (schedule & information packets will be made available to all coaches as the date gets closer).	
PARENT/COACHES MEETING	All coaches will be required to hold a meeting with the parents/guardians and players at the beginning of their first practice. Coaches will discuss league rules, practice/game schedules, concession stand schedule, and their own coaching philosophies and expectations. All parents and players should attend this meeting.	
YOUTH BASEBALL CLINIC	Sunday, April 22, 2012, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Grades K-6. Sponsored by Bay Port Varsity Baseball Coach Mike Simoens, his coaching staff, and the high school baseball teams. Separate registration and check are needed (see attached form).	
PIRATE TOURNAMENT TEAMS	Depending on your son's level of interest and development, the Pirate Youth Baseball Club will be providing opportunities to participate in tournament competition. More information can be found on the included informational sheet.	
PLANNING AHEAD	Pirate Youth Baseball - Fall League. Fall 2012 for Grades 1-12. More information will become available later this summer.	