



Merrimack Youth Baseball

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Welcome to the Spring 2021 baseball season; we are looking forward to another great year!

We hope to address a number of important pieces of information here, and if you still have questions, please feel free to reach out to your team's manager/coaching staff, the league representative, or our general email address, info@myabaseball.com.

League rules, policies, and procedures

League rules can be found at https://www.myabaseball.com/news_article/show/1156178.

League Bylaws can be found at <https://www.myabaseball.com/bylaws>

Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken policies and documents: [Babe Ruth website](#)

All bats must conform to Cal Ripken standards: [Cal Ripken Bat Rules](#)

Player age chart: [Cal Ripken league age chart](#)

Cal Ripken player sportsmanship code: [Sportsmanship Code](#)

General information

Players must provide their own equipment, including helmet, glove, and bat. A helmet cage is required at the T-Ball and Rookie levels, and recommended at the Minors level and up, but the final decision is up to parents/players discretion. If equipment is needed, please send an email to info@myabaseball.com, as a limited number of gear is available for use.

Each registered player will receive a team jersey and hat. All players must have a pair of baseball pants and cleats (optional for T-Ball, recommended at the Rookie level, required at the Minors level and up). Cleats, if worn, must be molded plastic at all levels, except for Babe Ruth where metal cleats are permitted.

COVID-19 protocols: All volunteers, players, and families must adhere to the town guidance for COVID-19, found at <https://www.myabaseball.com/covid-player-rules>.

Expectations for the season

The following documents provide parents and families with a variety of information as to the progression of skill level throughout the league

[Age-appropriate expectations for players, families, and coaches](#)

Practice and game schedules

Schedules can be found via your team's SportsEngine page (www.myabaseball.com)

T-Ball and Rookie: Schedules are not yet finalized, and are pending field release by the town. Families can expect to have one weekday practice, one weekend game, and one weekend practice.

Minors, Majors, and Babe Ruth: Schedules have been finalized and are in the process of being posted on SportsEngine.

Families can expect to have a mixture of in-town and out-of-town games, typically one to two mid-week and one weekend game. There is a potential to have two weekend games which may include double-headers. Practices will be held twice a week during preseason and once a week during the regular season. Overall, the typical schedule consists of one or two practices per week, and one or two games per week, for a total of three to four team related activities per week.

Field locations

All town field locations and images can be found at <https://www.myabaseball.com/field-information>

Pitch, Hit, and Run

Currently scheduled for May 2nd at Veterans Memorial Park. Start time and schedule are TBD.

There is no cost to participate, but pre-registration is required:

Home Run Derby: <https://www.mlb.com/junior-home-run-derby>

Pitch, Hit, and Run: <https://www.mlb.com/pitch-hit-and-run/find-a-competition>

Picture day

Currently scheduled for May 8th at 40 Continental Blvd. The exact schedule of events and teams are not yet finalized, but will be communicated once known.

MG Sports Fundraising: \$10 coupon cards

We have worked to update the roster of businesses for this season and have several new participants including Bite Me Kupcakez, El Tapatio, Friendly Toast, and the 110 Grill. We retained Haywards, Giorgio's, Texas Roadhouse, DW Diner, Altitude, and The Thirsty Moose.

Players will receive five (5) physical cards for sale, as well as a link to an online store for electronic purchases. There will again be prizes for the top "sellers." Details regarding prizes will be announced once finalized.

Parents can expect to receive this information in the next few weeks.

Communication

The board will be hosting coaches and parent virtual meetings over the next several weeks. This information will be communicated by the board and posted on our website. Interested members should participate.

Furthermore, if anyone, at any time, has any concerns they'd wish to bring to the board, they may do so by emailing info@myabaseball.com; emailing their league player representatives or any other board member. Information for the board can be found at <https://www.myabaseball.com/board-members>