# **Youth Fall Baseball**

### BASEBALL & SOFTBALL WHAT'S NEXT after

#### registration.

Once skills evaluations are over players will be selected to a team. Once the teams are selected, practices will begin. *Players should hear from a coach by* **FEb 13th**. If you have not gotten a call by this date, please contact the athletic dept. The season should begin the Mar 23rd.

- Age group 8u will be Coach Pitch Ages 6, 7, 8. A child must be 6 by March 1, 2024 and can't turn 9 by September 1, 2024
- Age group 10u will be Live Kid Pitch- Ages 9, 10. A child must be this age on or before September 1, 2024
- Age group 12u will be Live Kid Pitch Ages 11,21. A child must be this age on or before September 1, 2024
- Age group 15u will be Live Kid Pitch Ages 13, 14, 54. A child must be this age on or before September 1, 2024

<u>**T-BALL</u>** ages 3-4. The child must be 3 by MARCH 1, 2024. This age group will not have a skill's evaluation. The children are divided onto teams by the athletic staff. *T-Ball players should* hear from a coach by FEB 13<sup>TH</sup>. If you have not gotten a call by this date, please contact the athletic dept.</u>

<u>Modified Coach Pitch</u> <u>ages 5-6</u>. (Can still use a tee) The child must be 5 by March 1, 2024. This age group will not have a skill's evaluation. The children are divided on to teams by the athletic staff. *Players should hear from a coach by FEB 13th*. If you have not gotten a call by this date, please contact the athletic dept.

**Coach Pitch** – Ages 6-8: (NO TEES ALLOWED) To play in this league child must be age 6 by March 1, 2024 and not turn 9 on or before Sept 1, 2024

**Live Pitch** - Ages 9-15: child must be age 9 by Sept. 1, 2024 and not turn 16 on or before Sept. 1, 2024. 8-year olds can waive up to play in this league.

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EVERY Player must attend the skill's evaluation to be graded. <u>This is not a tryout</u>. All children who register will play on a team. The skills evaluation is to attempt to grade each child's skill level so that the talent can be divided evenly onto the teams. Please be early to your site on skill's day. You will check in with the staff person and your child will be given a number to wear on their arm during the skill's evaluation. The skill's evaluation should last no more than 1 hour. *The baseball players should hear from a coach by* **FEB 13th.** *I*f you have not received a call by this date, please contact the athletic department. We may need a coach for your child's team.

## **Equipment Needed:**

All participants **NEED** to have a batting helmet, a glove, cleats, and bat. Helmets with face masks are recommended but not mandatory.

# Approved Bat List: <u>https://usabat.com</u>

Tee Ball Info: https://usabat.com/approved-tee-balls

- Look for the USA Baseball logo on the taper of a bat to know it is approved.
- Approved youth bats are 27" 32" with barrel diameters up to 2 5/8".
- Approved tee ball bats are 26" and shorter. a.
- Bats for 14U Baseball Divisions shall conform to National Federation and GHSA guidelines. The diameter at the thickest part shall be 2- 5/8" or less. The length shall be 36" or less. All bats must meet the standards set by The Georgia High School Association and The National Federation of High School Sports. The bat shall not weigh numerically more than 3 ounces less than the length. Bats on NFHS site also must include marking of BB-COR as required and may not be altered. 2 ¼" bats are not allowed in 14U and 17U Divisions. Example: A 32" long bat cannot be less than 29 ounces in weight.

### SKILL'S EVALUATION DATE AND TIMES

# <u>Items needed for skills evaluation</u>: Glove, Bat, and Batting Helmet. Wear TENNIS SHOES or RUBBER CLEATS

AREA	AGE	SITE/ FIELD	EVALUATION DATE	TIME
St. Mary's	8u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park / F1	Monday Feb 5th	5:30-6:30pm
Kingsland /Woodbine	8u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park / F3	Monday Feb 5th	5:30-6:30pm

All cities	12u Girls	Kingsland Lions Park / F1	Monday Feb 5th	6:45-7:45pm
All cities	15u Girls	Kingsland Lions Park / F3	Monday Feb 5th	6:45-7:45pm
St. Marys	12u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park F4	Monday Feb 5th	5:30-6:30pm
Kingsland/Woodbine	12u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park F4	Monday Feb 5th	6:45-7:45pm
All cities	8u Girls	Kingsland Lions Park / F1	Wednesday Feb 7th	5:15: 6:15pm
All cities	10u Girls	Kingsland Lions Park / F3	Wednesday Feb 7th	5:30-6:30pm
St. Marys	10u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park / F2	Wednesday Feb 7th	5:15-6:15pm
Kingsland/Woodbine	10u Boys	Kingsland Lions Park / F2	Wednesday Feb 7th	6:30-7:30pm
All cities	15u Boys	CCRC PHASE 2 F4	Wednesday Feb 7th	6:00 - 7:30pm

If there are <u>ONLY</u> enough for one team in WOODBINE <u>YOU DO NOT</u> HAVE TO ATTEND EVALUATIONS!

# **Uniforms:**

**Only Team Jerseys will be furnished by the PSA**. All teams are required to wear the jerseys furnished by the PSA for games. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** 

**Coaches Information**: 1<sup>ST</sup> mtg will be at the Athletic Bldg 1000 Pro 3 Parkway St. Marys. JAN 31, 2024 (TIMES ARE BELOW ON PAGE) **2<sup>nd</sup> mtg will be at the Rec Center TBA**.

- Everyone wanting to coach or help with a team in any capacity must fill out a coaching application, a background check form and provide a copy of your valid driver's license.
- You must be 18 years old to be considered a coach and attend the coaching certification clinic.
- You must submit to and pass a background check. All coaches must fill out a coaching application for every sport every year.

## Athletic Management has to right to reject you coaching application.

The Coaches meetings will be as followed:

- Pre-Skills evaluation meeting will be Wednesday Jan. 31st at 5:30-6:30 for Tee ball, Modified Coach Pitch, and all Softball. Wednesday Jan.31<sup>st</sup> 6:45-7:45pm will be for all 8u, 10u, 12u and 15u Baseball Coaches.
- Coaches will receive league rules, basic first aid, and important information from the Athletic Staff, and Officials.
- There will be another meeting once all coaches and teams are formed for coaching certification at the end of Feb.

Games: The teams usually have two games per week. Monday, Tuesday, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays are the days during the week they could be playing. Baseball games are held at Kingsland Lions Park, CCRC Phase 2, WB 110, and SM. REC PARK.

**Practices:** Practices will be held at the local parks and PSA rec center fields during the season. They usually start at 4:30pm or later.

**Season**: The season should begin around the end of March and end the middle of May.

What does the registration fee cover? The fee helps to offset costs of the season, such as the officials for the sport, any equipment needed, and other expenses associated with the sport.

Please note: In response to Georgia House Bill 248, the Camden County Leisure Services has adopted the following return to play policy: "Any youth exhibiting symptoms of concussion will be removed from the game, competition, tryout, or practice and must be evaluated and cleared for return to play by a medical doctor. Any youth athlete that has been deemed to have sustained a concussion by a health care professional will not be permitted to return to play until parents have presented proof of clearance to return to play from a medical doctor."