

Groton Youth Baseball & Softball Program

Questions call 898-4569

Eligibility requires that the child be eligible to attend school and be 13 or younger on August 1, 2009. Participants in the program will be divided into six leagues typically by grade level and age.

All players will receive a tee shirt and hat. Pictures are taken and available for order by parents at an additional cost. Picture date TBA.

Games will be played in the evenings during the week, starting at 6:00 pm. Some teams will also have Saturday games. All games and practices will be held at the Elementary School fields or at Groton Memorial Park, ("Sykes Park".)

This program is intended to be an "in-house" program. However if enrollment for both Majors Baseball and Softball Leagues are low, the program will include some games with other towns. Please stay tuned about this option.

Players clinics are scheduled for *March 13 & 20 in the high school gym. Players get a head start working out with the Groton Varsity team and coaching staff. The clinics are free of charge and *all* players are encouraged to attend.

REGISTRATION FOR SPRING BALL TAKES PLACE DURING THE CLINICS

***Grades K-2nd ~ 9:00am- 10:30am**

***Grades 3rd-7th ~ 10:30am- 12pm**

**Additional Registration Dates: March 18 & 25,
6-8pm Groton Elementary School**

Parents,we hope that you will include yourselves in this program. Coaches and team helpers are a huge part of our program and are key factors in our player's development. Please consider checking the appropriate line on the registration form if you are able to help. Your commitment is important! Thank you!

Baseball/Softball League Descriptions

TeeBall League: For students in kindergarten (4 year olds in Pre-K or eligible for enrollment in a pre-k program are eligible). An introduction to the game of baseball. Batters hit off a tee for the first half of the season. For the last half a coach will pitch. The batter is allowed 3 swings. If the batter has not hit the ball after 3 swings, he may hit off the tee. A safety baseball is used. Practice and games are no longer than one hour in length and end promptly at 7:00 pm. PARENTS PLEASE STAY WITH YOUR CHILD DURING THIS HOUR. Games are on Mon. and Wed. & some Sat.

Coach Pitch League: This league is for students in grades 1 & 2. The safety baseball is used and the coaches pitch the entire game. Strike outs are counted. Games end promptly at 7:30 pm. Games are on Tues. and Thurs. & some Sat.

Minor League Baseball & Softball: The Minor League consists of players in grades 3&4. In this league pitching is alternated– coach pitches one inning, player pitches the next inning. Players are rotated at least every two innings. Games will be no longer than 2 hours in length.

Softball games are on Mon. & Wed. Baseball is on Tues. & Thurs.

Both will have some Sat. games

Major League Baseball & Softball: For players in grades 5 & 6 who have not turned 13 by August 1, 2009. Exceptions are made for 7th grade students who are not playing modified baseball/softball. These students may play, provided they do not turn 14 by August 1st. Regulation balls are used and pitchers must wear a batting helmet. This level is totally player pitch. Stealing and bunting are allowed. Games are no longer than 2 hours in length. If we are able to form enough teams there will be a championship game in June.

Softball games are on Mon. & Weds. Baseball is on Tues. & Thurs.

Both will have some Sat. games

Please be advised that all non-participating youth must be under adult supervision at all times during youth baseball / softball.

2010 Groton Youth Baseball & Softball
Registration Form

One player per form please

(Please Print)

Name: _____ Male / Female

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Current grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Contact, Name: _____

Phone # : _____

Med. Alert / Allergies /Info. we should be aware of?

Played <u>Last Season</u> : Yes/ No If yes, what league:	Shirt size: YS YM YL AS AM AL
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Email Address: _____

(please list the email you use the most, as it will be the primary way to communicate important information and announcements)

List siblings enrolled in program: _____

Interested in Summer Travel League? Yes / No

(Major and Minor League players only)

By signing this form, the parent/guardian agrees not to hold the Village of Groton or anyone connected with this program responsible for any accidents or injuries sustained in connection with the program. The parent/guardian also gives permission for the player to be treated by emergency personnel in case of an emergency.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

I am interested in being a: ____ *Head Coach ____ *Assist Coach ____ General Team Helper. Please be aware all teams will need to volunteer in the concession stand *You will be notified if we are in need of coaches for your child's league

**Registration Fee is \$20.00, \$15 for each additional child
& not to exceed \$50**

Check made payable to **Groton Youth Baseball/Softball**

Please mail or drop off completed form along with registration fee to Groton Recreation, 400 Peru Road. You may also drop the completed form and payment off at the Elementary School in the Youth Baseball Drop Box during regular school hours.