



Durango Youth Baseball Parent Meeting Information

Thank you for taking the time to join us. The league has and will continue to undergo some big changes that we hope you find for the better. Last year a survey went out and have tried to address the most common issues. We want you to know this is your league.

Tonight's Topics

- DYB season starts April 3rd and goes through June 23rd
 - The city tournament is June 18th through June 23rd
 - The city tournament is double elimination style and is not based on the teams previous wins and loses

- New Schedules-Practices are set and are priority, Rainouts will be rescheduled for the following Sunday, to be eligible for All Stars you must attend 70% of games and practices.
 - This year we want you to know we are committed to you and your athlete; we will do our best to not change the schedule. Practice is important to all growing athletes no matter how skilled they are-please make it a priority to come and learn.
 - All Stars starts after the City Tournament and runs through July (could run through Mid-August)
 - We will be checking All Star eligibly as we draft teams. If your athlete is not in the right division we will email you.

- Registration- We have a three tiered system-Online Reg. until March 1st, Skills Day Reg. and waitlist. This is because of ordering jerseys and creating schedules. Please watch for this in future years.

- Volunteering-All parents will be asked to sign-up for field prep before each game. This will allow our coaches the needed time to prepare our athletes.
 - There will be a set day for each team to help spring clean the fields- we expect parents and athletes to pitch in and help get our fields ready for a great season.
 - Other opportunities include: running the concessions stand at ALP, umpiring, keeping score, fundraising, assisting coaches in the dugouts, and many others. This is a volunteer run league we could not do it without your help!
- Uniforms-This year we are going to **all gray pants** (feel free to wear your old white ones to practice!)
 - Jersey's will have our new logo this year-you will know your team color once the teams have been drafted.
- New Bat rules-Please visit <https://www.littleleague.org/playing-rules/bat-information/> ALL OLD BATS ARE NOT ALLOWED
- The Board has adopted a Zero-Tolerance Policy- When you registered; you would have had to sign this.
 - Often times our umpires are young and learning along with our athletes. We want to encourage a safe and fun learning environment.
 - Please no negative comments, they are doing us a favor by providing official support thus allowing us to have a game. Their position is a tuff one under constant scrutiny. A positive experience will only help our umpires grow in their skills. You never know, maybe next time the call will be in your favor.
- Sponsors- If any of you work at a company or know of one willing to donate to DYB please let us know. Every sponsorship we get helps improve our league.