

Team Information



Cal Ripken Southwest

9 & 11 Year Old

Regional Tournament

July 11th-16th, 2018

Tournament Site:

Robert E. Russell Sports Complex

Hosted by:

City of Petal and Petal Sports Association

Petal, Mississippi

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CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of Petal Sports Association, Babe Ruth, and the City of Petal, we would like to congratulate all Cal Ripken Baseball participants. We are looking forward to your upcoming participation in the Southwest Regional Tournament. We, along with the City of Petal, are proud to be hosting this year's summer classic. It is important to each of us that your team, parents, and supporters have a great stay while visiting Petal and the Robert E. Russell Sports Complex. If there is anything we can do to make your stay more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to ask anyone on our committee. We look forward to meeting each of you and seeing some great baseball games!

Please review this packet in order that everyone will have an understanding of the activities and their responsibilities. We encourage you to visit our website, www.petalsportsassociation.com for information regarding the tournament and also to get your team registered, by clicking on the Tournament tab and looking for 9 & 11 year old Southwest Regional and follow the directions on getting your team registered. We are asking that coaches will do this, so we may have their contact information and be able to build the draft a few days before hand. If you have any other questions, please contact us.

The tournament schedule will be available a few days prior to the starting date. For this tournament we will be using tourney machine to schedule and update games. Schedules will be emailed to the Team Managers. The schedules will be updated daily.

We want to wish "good luck" to all the teams participating in the 2018 Southwest Regional Tournament! Those individuals that would like, have the opportunity to attend and invitational world series for their age group. Both the 9 and 11 year old world series will be held in Jensen Beach, Florida. For more information about the world series please speak with your league director or district director.

Sincerely,

Derek Hall, Host Site Tournament Director

City of Petal Athletics Director

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Team Check-in

Date: Wednesday, July 11th, 2018

Location: City of Petal Athletic Department

210 Hilltop Drive

Petal, MS 39465

Time: 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

***Call Office (601) 402-7299 1 hour before arrival. Only Head Coaches ***

Opening Ceremony and Banquet

Date: Wednesday, July 11th, 2018

Location: TBD

Time: 6:00 pm Opening Ceremony (Banquet follows opening ceremony)

Commissioners' Breakfast

Date: Thursday, July 12th, 2018

Location: TBD

Time: TBD

For: Umpires, Managers, Coaches, and Tournament Personnel

Umpires Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 12th, 2018

Location: Robert E. Russell Sports Complex

605 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

Time: TBD

For: Umpires, Managers, Coaches, and Tournament Personnel

****TBD information will be sent out in a follow up packet. Also, in the follow up packet there will be directions on how to schedule practices, team order forms for meals for banquet, t-shirts, and action shot photos.**

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Tournament Credentials

How to Assemble Your Tournament Credentials

Step 1

Access your account at BabeRuthLeague.org. Your league president or appointed officer will be able to help you with gaining access to your account.



Step 2

Start your Credentials book by using a 1/2" ring binder that you can find in an office supply store.

Step 3

Place clear sheet protectors for the documents inside the binder. When using Babe Ruth ID Cards, use "business card" sheet protectors to hold the cards inside the binder. Quick Note: Babe Ruth ID Cards are available for purchase through your roster tool. Simply select the players you need ID Cards for and supply the shipping information. You can have your cards sent back Next Day Air, 2nd Day Air or regular Ground.



Step 4

Insert your league's LOE (Letter of Eligibility). This is approved by your State Commissioner and available once approved for printing from your league's Data Center account. If you don't have the option to print the LOE, contact your State Commissioner. Commissioners will not be able to approve LOE's until after June 5th of each year. See LOE section for step-by-step instructions on obtaining your LOE.



Step 5

Insert a copy of your tournament team roster in the binder. If you have any Add/Drops that are made on your tournament roster after June 30th, please be sure to put the Add/Drop form as well as your approved letter from Headquarters approving your Add/Drop in the binder. Quick Note: Only Add/Drop forms that are with a letter from Headquarters giving specific approval are valid. Also, remember



that when you drop a player you can only add one player. Your roster must stay the same size throughout the tournament trail. You must have an official roster from BabeRuthOnline.com.

Step 6

Insert a copy of your league's Certificate of Insurance for Accident and Liability Insurance. If you have Babe Ruth insurance and your league took both Accident and Liability coverage with Babe Ruth, they will both appear together on the certificate form.

Step 7

Insert your Babe Ruth ID Cards. Quick Note: Remember to order your ID Cards when doing your rosters online. You may use original birth certificates in place of ID Cards; however, notarized copies of birth certificates will not be accepted. See ID Cards section for ordering instructions.



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Step 8

Insert Consent for Treatment forms. You can print out Treatment Forms from the Babe Ruth Website! Quick Note: Be sure to have 1 Consent form for each player on the roster. The Consent for Treatment form can be found under League Resources on BabeRuthLeague.org.



Step 9

Place a printed copy of your team photo, in uniform, in your binder. Please remember that this photo may also be used for program books and other publications as you advance in the tournament trail. Make sure to have a good photo taken. Quick Note: You will be uploading a photo when you do your rosters online as well. Remember only players and coaches that are on the official tournament roster are permitted in the photo.

www.BabeRuthLeague.org

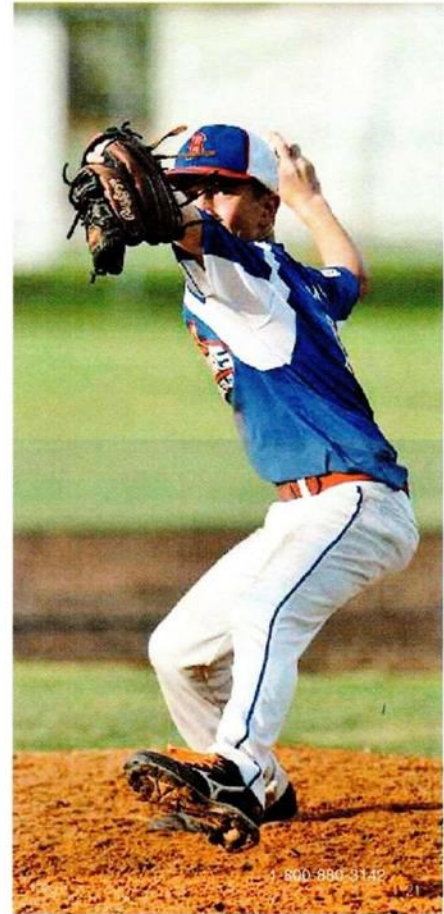
Step 10

Place Certificates of Certification for each manager and coach that has successfully completed the Coaches Certification Program. Quick Note: Visit www.baberuthcoaching.com for information on how you can enroll in this superb training program.

Step 11

Check List

- Did I order Official Emblems or the Cap Emblem option for my players and coaches?
- Do I want to order District, State or Regional Champion and Runner-Up Pins?
- Does my team have the schedule for games as well as the contact numbers for the host league and tournament director?
- Did I send all of my required paperwork to Headquarters?
- Do my coaches have copies of the rule book?
- Do my team managers and coaches have rule books?



- The above listed credentials must be completed and turned in to tournament officials at check in meeting. They will be returned to your team when you are through competing.
- We will also need a 3 x 5 state flag to be turned in with your tournament credentials to be turned in at check in.

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Host Field for Southwest Regional Tournament

Location: Robert E. Russell Sports Complex

605 Hillcrest Loop

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- We will be using Complex B (4 fields) for Tournament games.
- Complex A will be used for team scheduled practice fields.

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Host Site Tournament Director:

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Co-Host Tournament Director:

Janna Madison

601-402-7299 Office

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SWR Tournament Directors:

Pete McGoey

228-669-2601

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Harvey Adams

228-238-4026

harveyadams@bellsouth.net

In case of unauthorized absence:

Derek Hall (Tournament Host Director)

Pete McGoey (SWR Tournament Director)

E-mail: director@petalsportsassociation.com

In case of illness or injury:

Contact: Team Manager (1st)

Pete McGoey (2nd)

Derek Hall (3rd)

Immediate Care-Petal

50 Parkway Ln,

Petal, MS 39465

(601) 705-2897

Forrest General Hospital

6051 US Hwy 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39465

(601) 288-7000

Wesley Medical Center

5001 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

(601) 268-8000

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Important Information

State Flag:

Each team is required to turn in their state flag (3' x 5') with your team's credentials at the Regional Tournament check in.

Practice Schedule:

A practice schedule will be given to the teams at check in for use of practice fields at Complex A.

Admission: (We will not offer a tournament pass)

Adult (18 & up) \$8 per day

Child (6-17) \$5 per day

Under age 6 Free

Coolers

We will provide water, ice and cups in each dugout; however, teams are allowed 1 team cooler which will have to have a "team cooler" pass on it to be allowed into the gate. Team cooler passes will be given out at check-in. If cooler does have pass attached, it will not be allowed in.

Coach Passes

Coach passes will be issued at check-in for coaches that are listed on the team's official roster.

Park Rules:

Please help enforce the following rules in the facilities. Cameras are also in place at our facilities to help enforce these rules.

- a. No PETS!!
- b. No Skateboards (or anything else on wheels)
- c. No Children in the Press Boxes without an adult
- d. No Tobacco to include Vapor Cigarettes
- e. No throwing balls outside the fields
- f. No Soft toss against the Fences
- g. No Profanity
- h. No Alcohol

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Team Lodging Information

Motel/hotel rooms for managers/coaches/players or parents WILL NOT be provided by the Tournament Host Site, but each team will be given information as to most all lodging available in the surrounding community.

HOST HOTELS

Double Tree by Hilton Hattiesburg Phone # 601-296-0302

\$119 Per Night with Breakfast Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Residence Inn by Marriott Hattiesburg Phone # 601-264-9202

\$112 Per Night with Breakfast Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Courtyard by Marriott Hattiesburg Phone # 601-268-3050

\$102 Per Night Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Hampton Inn by Hilton Hattiesburg Phone # 601-268-0606

\$129 Per Night with Breakfast Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Candlewood Suites Hattiesburg Phone # 601-264-9666

\$99 Double or \$109 King Suite Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Home2Suites by Hilton Hattiesburg Phone # 601-261-3800

\$109 Per Night Block Name: Cal Ripken Regionals

Direct Links to these blocked reservations can be found on our website at www.petalsportsassociation.com under the documents tab.

Other area Hotels RV Camping

Townplace Suites by Marriot Hattiesburg

235 Thornhill Dr, Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Phone: (601) 582-2030

Best Western premier University Inn

132 Plaza Dr, Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Phone: (601) 909-6658

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Hattiesburg

173 Thornhill Dr, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Phone: (601) 296-7777

Forrest County RV Park

929 Sullivan Dr, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Phone: 601-583-7500

Paul B. Johnson State Park

319 Geiger Lake Road, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Phone: (601) 582-7721

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Manager and Player Game Information

Game Conduct/Rules:

1. All games will be played under the rules and regulations covered in the professional Baseball Rule Book, Rules and regulations of 2018 Babe Ruth Baseball. Brackets for Regional Tournaments are preset at the Regional meeting each year. Team at bottom rung of the bracket will be the Home team. The on deck circle closest to your dugout will be the one used by your team. Home team will use the 1st base dugout and visitor will use the 3rd base dugout.
2. Games will be kept moving at all times; with no unnecessary delays, such as mound conferences by players. Manager trips will be per rule. Always have a backup catcher ready to warm up the pitcher if your catcher is not ready between innings.
3. Anyone, player, coach, or manager, acting in an un-sportsmanlike manner shall be removed from the playing field or ball park immediately and could be disqualified from the tournament. If a player is ejected from the game, he must leave the ball park accompanied by an adult. If his parents are not present, he will be accompanied by his manager or coach.
4. Managers, coaches, and players shall wear full uniforms according to baseball rules. While in uniform, neatness is a must. When at the ball park, your shirt tail must be tucked in and your cap worn properly. When taking the field to warm up for your game, no warm up or hitting shirts are allowed.
5. Protective headgear must be worn at bat while running the bases. Equipment, bats, gloves, helmets, etc...should be stacked neatly in their proper places at all times (inside the dugout).
6. Only Official rostered managers, coaches, players, and bat-boys will be allowed in the dugouts. Players and coaches (two coaches boxes offensively) must stay inside the dugouts. No team will be allowed to kneel or stand along the baseline to watch their opponent team warm up. There will no cell phones allowed in the dugouts.
7. Masks with throat protector will be required at all times when warming up the pitchers whether on the field or in the bullpen.

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8. No tobacco products will be permitted on the playing field, dugout, rest rooms, or within the confines of the ball park spectator fenced area (must be outside the main gate).

9. The Southwest Regional Commissioner or his Assistant shall have the authority to remove any player, coach, or manager for actions detrimental to Babe Ruth Baseball. Any misbehavior or misconduct on or off the field could cause disqualification of a manager, player, coach or the entire team from the Tournament. The Tournament is under the jurisdiction of the Assistant Southwest Regional Commissioner.

10. The protest committee shall have final authority in all protests. A Rule violation is the only thing that can be protested (judgment calls are not to be protested).

11. The protest committee shall be appointed by the Tournament Director in accordance with the Assistant Southwest Regional Commissioner.

12. Players must be in uniform at the field, one hour before their scheduled game time. Lineup cards are due one (1) hour before the start of your game. Bring the lineup cards to the Press Box filled out completely.

13. The ten (10) minutes immediately prior to game time will be for the introduction of players, umpires, and any special guests.

14. Pitch count will be monitored by scorekeepers. We will make every effort possible to ensure no team violates pitch count.

15. We will go over All rules in more detail during the Coaches Breakfast on Thursday morning.