

# 2024 Spring Season Parent Guide

## **Rose Capital West Little League**

**RCWLL Families**,

Welcome back for the Spring 2024 Season. This guide will help to complete registration and provide you with information on the Spring Season.

There are a couple of changes this year, so please look over this guide and our website before you begin.

Should you have any questions at any time please email <a href="mailto:rosecapitalwest@gmail.com">rosecapitalwest@gmail.com</a>.

We look forward to seeing you at Faulkner Park in the Spring.

**RCWLL Board of Directors** 

## **Rose Capital West Little League**

# **Important Dates**

**Monday December 18th – Registration Opens** 

Monday January 1st at 11:59PM – Early Bird Discount Ends \$20.00 Discount

**Wednesday January 31st at 11:59 PM Registration Ends** 

**Tuesday February 6th Evaluation Minors 6:00-8:00PM** 

**Wednesday February 7th Evaluation Majors 6:00-8:00PM** 

Thursday February 8th Evaluation 5-Pitch 6:00-8:00PM

Saturday February 10th Evaluation Make Ups By Request 2:00-4:00 PM

**Tuesday February 13th and Thursday February 15th Player Draft** 

**Saturday February 17th Practices Begin** 

**Saturday March 23rd - Opening Day Games and Ceremony** 

Friday May 26th - Season Ends

## **Division Information**

This year we are offering the following divisions based on League Age (determined by the Little League Age Chart):

**Instructional T-Ball:** League Ages 4 and 5. League Age 5 players may play Instructional T-Ball if and only if they have never played Instructional T-Ball.

Regular T-Ball: League Ages 5 and 6.

**Coach Pitch (5-Pitch):** League Ages 6, 7 and 8. League Age 6 players may play 5-Pitch if and only if they have played one season of T-Ball.

**NEW for 2024**. Coach Pitch will be two Divisions

AA- League Age 7 and League Age 6

**AAA- League Age 8 and League Age 7** Evaluated League Age 7 players can be drafted to AAA teams if there are openings.

Minor League: League ages 9 and 10

Major League: League ages 11 and 12

## 2024 Little League® Age Chart



Match month (top line) and box with year of birth. League age indicated at right.

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	AGE
2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2019	2019	2019	2019	4
2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018	2018	2018	2018	5
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# **Spring Season Frequently Asked Questions**

#### WHAT DOES REGISTRATION COST AND WHAT IS INCLUDED?

Registration cost for Spring 2024 is \$130.00 (includes a hat and personalized jersey) Early Bird Discount of \$20.00 when registering before January 1, 2024. The City of Tyler has implemented a field light usage fee for Faulkner Park. Light Fee for 2024 is \$10.00 a Player.

#### HOW MUCH OF A TIME COMMITMENT IS THERE FOR MY CHILD?

The normal expectation is two to three scheduled events (practices and/or games) per week during the season. Games are primarily played on weeknights. Prior to games starting, teams usually have a weeknight practice and a weekend practice. Season consists of approximately 10-12 games.

#### **CAN I COACH MY CHILD'S TEAM?**

We are always in need of enthusiastic and dedicated coaches. Please apply while registering or reach out to us at <a href="mailto:rosecapitalwest@gmail.com">rosecapitalwest@gmail.com</a> if you are interested in coaching.

#### WHERE ARE GAMES AND PRACTICES HELD?

All games and practices are held at the RCWLL Baseball Complex at Faulkner Park in Tyler, Texas.

#### WHAT EQUIPMENT WILL MY CHILD NEED?

Players are responsible for providing a glove, batting helmet, cleats, protective gear (i.e. cup), and USA Stamped Bat (optional).

# **Spring Season Frequently Asked Questions (Continued)**

#### CAN I CHOOSE WHAT TEAM MY PLAYER PLAYS ON?

No, RCWLL uses a draft system to choose teams for all of its its divisions. For Instructional T-Ball and T-Ball parents may make a car-pool request that will be taken into consideration but no guarantees are made.

#### MY PLAYER NEEDS TO PLAY DOWN OR NEEDS TO PLAY UP WHAT DO I DO?

Players must be of correct League Age to participate in a particular League division and will not be allowed to "move up" or "move down" to participate in a division unless they have received approval from the President or Vice President of Baseball. Please contact <a href="mailto:rosecapitalwest@gmail.com">rosecapitalwest@gmail.com</a> to discuss your specific circumstances.

#### CAN MY PLAYER PLAY BOTH LEAGUE AND SELECT?

Yes, many of our players play both RCWLL baseball and on select / travel ball teams.

#### WHAT IS THE POOL PLAYER OPTION IN REGISTRATION?

The pool player option adds your player to a list of rostered players from existing regular season teams that are willing to participate in extra games during the regular season when teams face a shortage of players needed to avoid forfeit for a game within their respective division.

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# **Online Registration**

**ALL PLAYERS** must register online.

- Go to <u>www.RCWLL.org</u> and click on the Register button at the top.
- Returning Players will login to the account created last Spring. If you are new you will have to create an account.
- If needed, Create a Sports Connect Account (only one required per family).
- Fill out the Account Holder Information section. If you wish to add an Additional Parent/Guardian, enter their information and click Invite Account User & Continue. If not, leave the area blank and click Continue. Now that your account has been created, continue to Registering Players
- Fill out the information for each player.
- After selecting a Program/Division, fill out the rest of the questions required by RCWLL and continue to the next step. (Repeat for multiple players) (Uploading School or Residency Documents is optional and not required)
- You will then be given the opportunity to volunteer for positions such as head coach or assistant coach. Please completely fill out the required volunteer application information if you volunteer.
- Complete Payment process as instructed.

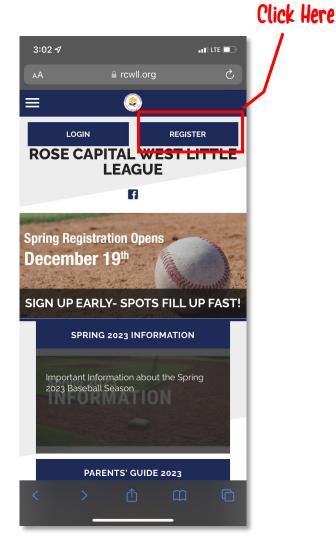
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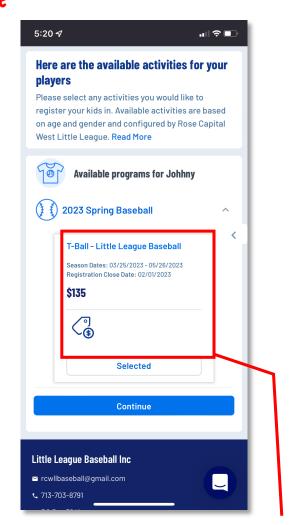
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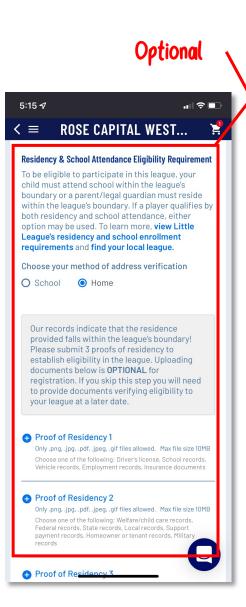
Sports Connect Family Account Help

Still Need Help: Please Contact: <a href="mailto:rosecapitalwest@gmail.com">rosecapitalwest@gmail.com</a>

# **Online Registration (Continued)**







## **Evaluation Information**

**ALL PLAYERS** in the **Coach Pitch**, **Minors**, and **Majors** Divisions must participate in at least one (1) available evaluation to be eligible for regular drafting and All Star Selection.

Players who are unable to attend an evaluation, must contact the <a href="mailto:rosecapitalwest@gmail.com">rosecapitalwest@gmail.com</a> at least 72 hours prior to the RCWLL Draft and discuss their reason for failing to attend an evaluation. The Vice President of Baseball will present the reason for evaluation waiver which must be accepted by a majority of the Board of Directors.

Players who have not attended an evaluation or received an evaluation waiver will be randomly assigned to a team and not eligible for All-Stars (Little League Regulation IV(f)).

# **Evaluation Information (continued)**

## **What to Bring to Evaluations:**

Players should be dressed and equipped for baseball. Players should have a fielding glove, bat, and batting helmet. They should wear baseball clothes, hat, and cleats.

## **What to Expect at Evaluations:**

Players will check in and then run through a series of baseball drills involving ground balls, fly balls, throwing, and hitting. For Minors and Majors there will be an optional opportunity to pitch.

#### When and Where are Evaluations:

Evaluations are currently scheduled for

Tuesday February 6th Evaluation Minors 6:00-8:00PM
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