



*Rice Lake
Youth Baseball
Association*

2021 ASAP Plan

“A Safety Awareness Program”

Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association

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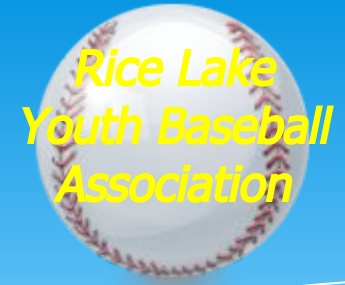
Safety Mission Statement:

Rice Lake Youth Baseball will take a safety first approach in all aspects of our league. Building a safe and educational environment for youth athletes is taken seriously by the Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association Board of Directors. Rice Lake Youth Baseball encourages players, coaches, managers, spectators, volunteers and officials to embrace the safety principles of our organization.

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1. **League Safety Officer: Russ LaPoint** on file with Little League Headquarters.
2. Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association will distribute a paper copy of current Safety Manual to all Managers/Coaches, League Volunteers and District 3 Little League Administrator

3. **Emergency Phone Number: 911**
Local Police Emergency: 911
Local Fire Emergency: 911

League President	Kari Hoffman	715-523-9342
Safety Officer:	Dan Haughian	715-790-2230
League Vice President:	Steve Roux	715-914-0629
League Treasurer:	Josh Gifford	715-651-1703
League Secretary	Josh Gifford	715-651-1703
T-Ball Commissioner:	Makila Willger	715-651-6172
Coach Pitch Commissioner	Mark Stanley	715-296-8791
Minor League Commissioner:		
Major League Commissioner:	Jeremy Scheu	715-234-0711
Babe Ruth Commissioner:	Shane Larson	715-296-8311

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4. **Volunteer Applications:** Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association will use the official Little League form to screen all volunteers against National Databases for Background and Sex Offender violations on an annual basis. RLYBA uses First Advantage to complete this service. All Volunteers must review and agree to comply with the Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association Code of Conduct. All Head Coaches and Board Members are required to pass our Background Check on an annual basis.
5. **Fundamentals Training:** Each Manager/Coach will be provided an opportunity to attend a fundamentals training session during our player evaluations on April 10th, 2021 at 2:00pm in the Rice Lake High School Cafeteria hosted by the Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association. Fundamental skills are also provided in each equipment bag for T-ball and Coach Pitch teams. It is expected that one Manager/Coach from each team will have completed fundamentals training at least once every three years and at least one coach from each team attends each year. Fundamentals training is provided at our player evaluations on April 10th, 2021 from 12:00-2:00.

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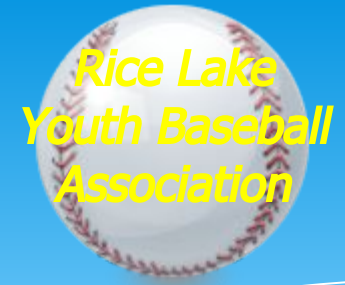


6. **First Aid Training:** Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association will require at least one Manager/Coach from each team and encourage umpires to complete a safety training. Every Manger/Coach must attend training at least once every three years. Concussion education and emergency procedures will be reviewed at this session. Medical Release forms must be completed by all players and retained by Managers/Coaches throughout the season.
7. **Facilities Safety:** Coaches will be required to walk/inspect the fields prior to practices/games. Umpires will be required to walk the fields for hazards before each game. A suggestion box is available at the concession stand for collection of suggestions to improve safety within our organization. A bulletin board with safety messages is posted on the outside of all concession facilities.



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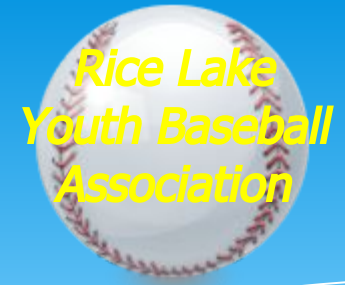


8. **Facilities Survey:** Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association has completed and updated our 2021 Facilities Survey online with Little League International. Protective fence toppers are used to protect fielders.
9. **Concession Stand Safety:** The menu provided at all concession facilities will be posted and approved by the League Safety Officer and League President. Concession Stand Safety Procedures will be posted several times in the concession stand. A copy of the **Concession Stand Safety Procedures** is enclosed in this manual.



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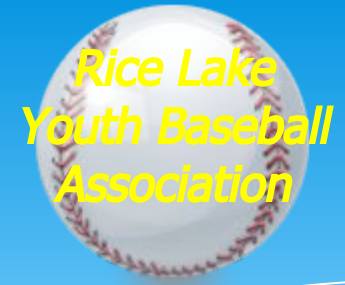
10. **Equipment Safety:** At the beginning of each season equipment will be inspected during the field work day. Managers/Coaches will be required to inspect all equipment prior to all practices and games. Umpires will be required to inspect all equipment prior to all games. Deficiencies must be promptly reported to the league's commissioner or the League Safety Officer.
11. **Accident Reporting Procedures:** Managers/Coaches are required to complete the Little League incident tracking form within 48 hours of the incident. A copy of the incident form is available at www.ricelakebaseball.com. A copy of the form is included in this packet for reference.

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12. **First Aid Kits:** Each team will be issued an updated first aid kit and is required to have it at every practice and game.
13. Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association will require **ALL teams to enforce ALL Little League Rules**. Including:
 - Proper Equipment for catchers (including dangling throat guards)
 - No On-Deck Batters
 - Coaches are not allowed to warm up pitchers. This can be done only by a registered league player wearing an approved catchers helmet.
 - Bases at the Minor and Major League fields (Moores/Meggers) will disengage upon contact.



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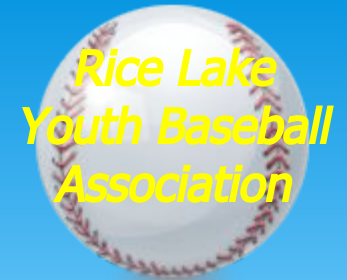
14. **Weather Safety:** Special care will be practiced to maintain player, coach and spectator safety in the event of severe weather. All play will be halted and everyone moved to designated weather shelter upon the first sign of lightning. Play will not resume until 30 minutes after that last presence of thunder or lightning.

15. **Player Safety:** **IF IN DOUBT, DIAL 911**
Caution will be exercised in the event of player injury. Immediately following an apparent injury the player must be assessed by the Head Coach, Parent and current Umpire. There must be a unanimous agreement that the player is safe prior to continuing play. If removed from play due to injury, the player may not return to play until medically cleared.
Extreme caution will be exercised in the presence of any **concussion symptoms**. Rice Lake Youth Baseball will abide by the concussion regulations mandated by the state of Wisconsin.



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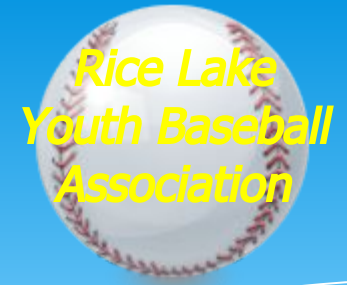
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15. **Practice Idea Share:** Teams working together through station work. Coaches on competing teams have started practices with 4-6 stations that are lead and rotate players from both teams through stations in order to help grow the entire league. Not just the athletes on one's own team.



2021 ASAP Plan Appendix



This section could include samples of:

- * **Concession Safety Plan**
- * **Volunteer Code of Conduct**
- * **Concussion Guidelines**
- * **Incident Reporting Form**
- * **Team Packet info (needed to be retained by coaches):**
 - * **Little League Medical Release Form**
 - * **Parent/Athlete Concussion Agreement**
 - * **Coaches Concussion Agreement**

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