



Baseball COACHES MEETING

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This presentation will be available on the website as well. Thank you for attending!



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WEBSITE

There are a lot of resources available to you as a coach and we hope that you'll take the time to look through them. Sending this link out to your participants could also be tremendously helpful to them and you!

Location:

<https://columbusparksandrec.com/programs-and-events/sports/youth-sports/baseball/>



CODE OF CONDUCT

- Please take time to review and send to your parents, the [Youth Sports Code of Conduct](#)
- Anyone who fails to conform their conduct to the preceding code of conduct while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a youth sports event will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:
 - Verbal warning issued by the league or organization.
 - Written warning issued by the league or organization.
 - Suspension or immediate ejection from a youth sports event issued by the league or organization or by someone who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection by the league or organization.
 - Suspension from multiple youth sports events by the league or organization or by the appropriate official authorized to issue such suspension by the league or organization.
 - Season suspension or multiple season suspension issued by the league or organization.



KEY DATES

- NYSCA coaches training – Online and FREE
- Equipment Pickup – **Tuesday March 28, 12 noon – 6:00pm Donner Center**
- Contact players by – **ASAP but no later than March 31**
- Practices can begin – **Week of April 3 (weather permitting)**
- First game – **Week of May 1 for MP & Minor/Major Combo. May 6 for Tball and JRCP.**
- Picture day process – **May 6 at Columbus East High School Aux Gym (pictures will be taken regardless if games are cancelled)**



WEATHER INFORMATION

- Remind app will be used to relay league wide information such as weather cancellations and league reminders.
- Games will be played as scheduled unless there is thunder/lightning or extreme cold. You can check the status of the games by signing up for REMIND notifications, the website www.columbusparksandrec.com, or on our [Facebook Page](#).
- Coaches are to cancel practice if there is thunder or lightning. Thunder means that lightning is close enough to strike.
- We follow the IHSAA policy for thunder/lightning - exit the fields and seek shelter if thunder is heard or lightning is seen for 30 minutes.
- The Parks Department may also close the fields, if there has been a significant amount of rain, in efforts to protect the turf from unrepairable damage.



REMIND APP VIA PHONE

Pick a way to receive messages for Youth Baseball 2023:



If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/ac7bd3f

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.

rmd.at/ac7bd3f

Join Youth Baseball 2023

Full Name

First and Last Name

Phone Number or Email Address

(555) 555-5555



REMIND APP VIA TEXT

B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message [@ac7bd3f](#) to the number [81010](#).

If you're having trouble with [81010](#), try texting [@ac7bd3f](#) to [\(469\) 437-4632](#).

** Standard text message rates apply.*

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Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/edg2d7 on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.



TEAM COMMUNICATION TOOL

- SportsYou is a team communication app. It's free to download.
- Each coach will be responsible for setting up their own teams. You will need to invite the parents for your players and use the tool for communication throughout the season!
- Should drastically cut back on need for group texts/emails.
- Upload the schedule, field layout, etc. right on the app in your team.
- Group message through the app.
- Take and post pictures for others on the team throughout the season.
- Not required but HIGHLY encouraged. 80% + used this app in Fall Soccer last season with great praise!



SPORTSYOU APP

Join via Website

New Users

1. From your computer or phone, go to **sportsyou.com**
2. Click **Get Your Free Account** and enter your email
3. Go to your email and click **Confirm Your Email**
4. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then finish set up

Existing Users

1. From your computer or phone, go to **sportsyou.com** and login
2. In left column, click **Join Team/Group**
3. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code

Join via App

New Users

1. On mobile device download **sportsYou app** from the **App Store** (iOS) or **Google Play Store** (Android)
2. Tap **Create Account** or **Continue with Google**
3. Tap **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then finish set up

Existing Users

1. On mobile device login
2. In bottom tray, tap **Teams/Groups**
3. Tap **blue + button**, then tap **Join Team/Group**



visit us at **www.sportsyou.com**
or in the app stores





PHOTO DAY PROCESS

General:

- Pictures will be taken inside Columbus East High School (auxiliary gym) on **Saturday 5/6.**
- Each team has an assigned time. Please be sure to communicate it to players & parents. Assigned times can be found on the website.
- Ask that all players be by Columbus East (door #51) 15 minutes prior to your assigned time.
- Please check-in and have your team ready 10 minutes early.
- Don't wait for late players. If all of your players aren't present by your assigned time, go ahead with pictures.
- If you miss your assigned time, we will try to work you in, but teams there at their assigned time will go first.
- Coaches can't elect to forgo pictures



COACHES TO DO LIST

- Contact your players immediately to introduce yourself and inform them of your first practice.
- Meet the parents at the first practice.
- Provide a link to the game schedule online and/or email a copy.
- Provide a link to the field layout online and/or email a copy.
- Enlist the help of parents for your practices.
- HAVE FUN!!!



**Thank you for your assistance and the
commitment to our youth baseball program!**