

2017 Junior League Baseball

Important Dates

Saturday, April 1	registration deadline w/o late fee
Tuesday, May 2	Practice 6:00-7:30pm FLES (6th grade only)
Thursday, May 4	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES (6th grade only)
Tuesday, May 9	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES (6th grade only)
Thursday, May 11	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES (6th grade only)
Friday, May 12	draft day coaches only TBD
Tuesday, May 16	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES
Thursday, May 18	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES
Tuesday, May 23	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES
Thursday, May 25	Practice 6:00-7:30 FLES
Thursday, June 1	Games begin – Winnebago Athletic Complex
Monday, June 5	Morning Practice 10:00-12:00 FLES
Friday, July 14	League Tournament – Winnebago Athletic Complex
Saturday, July 15	League Tournament – Winnebago Athletic Complex
Picture night – TBD	

The Junior League program is geared for all kids in Fairmont to continue to learn and develop the fundamental skills of baseball. Teams will be set up so that they are equal in talent to each other. All kids will be coached on the skills for each position, however, not all kids will get to play every position during the games. The rules for Junior League baseball state that; all kids bat in the batting order and must play at least two innings of defense for each game.

Practices will be held from 10:00-12:00am every Monday and Wednesday during the regular season. Practices will be run by coaches to be determined. This works best for the kids, maintaining consistency in the skills that are being taught. Parents that volunteer to help coach one of the teams will be in charge of managing the team for the games. Parents should feel free to attend the morning practices at any time.

The schedule, including location and opponents, will be determined later in mid-May. The dates have been set for the season already. Draft day will be held on Friday, May 12 with notification posted at FLES and also on the website. The end of the season tournament will be hosted by Fairmont again this summer at the WASC and will be held on July 14th & 15th. When we host games during the regular season we play at the new Winnebago Area Sports Complex as well. All game times are scheduled at 6:30pm. There may be slight changes to start times due to field availability for some towns. With the lights we may play some games at 8:00pm. When we play out of town, parents will need to volunteer to drive players to the game site. All parents do not have to drive to every game. We can take turns if you can't make it to a certain game. Communication is the key to your kids enjoying this experience.

There will be a \$100 registration fee for participating on the league teams. Registration forms can be found online at fairmontsports.com with a deadline of April 1. There will be a \$25 late fee applied for any registration after this period. This fee will cover the cost of the equipment that we use and the cost of our team shirts and hats, which the kids will get to keep. If this fee presents a hardship for a family there are scholarships available from the "Angels in the Outfield" program. Contact any board member if you would like to be a part of this program. If you have comments or suggestions on how to improve what we are doing we encourage you to get involved in your Fairmont Baseball Association.

Thank you,
Jerry Brooks

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