**Welcome -TEAM LEVEL - COLOR Team – Sponsor !**

**Contact Information**

Full Name

Cell number to contact you \_\_\_\_\_\_-

Email address

**Sponsor**

Special thanks to our sponsor, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Expectations of Parents**

COACH PITCH softball is about skill and character development, not winning/losing.

As we develop & practice skills the success on the field will develop as well.

This is not the National Title and we want the girls to enjoy and learn to play the game.

Positive attitudes expected from everyone, including spectators

Be involved in helping your child

**Parent Communication** - Please let me know if you prefer Text reminders, Email or a phone call. If we have bad weather I need a quick way to let everyone know. If on group text and you have something to add please text me separately.

**Practices**

Practices begin this week!

 We will meet \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This week we will have a second practice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Plan on plan on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ practices until the season begins - except Spring Break.

During Spring Break we may have an optional practice if enough of us are around.

One practice per week once game schedule begins – We will determine once we know the schedule.

Practices last approximately 1 1/2 Hours - with a 2 hours max.

Please do not drop your kids off and leave.

Having parent volunteers allows us to work multiple stations during practice to help keep the team active and learning. The more efficient we can keep the players working through the stations the better our overall practice will be.

**Games**

Games will be played at Youngblood Park – 200 East Moonlight Drive – starting week of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Softball games will be played on Saturdays and various week nights in the early evening

Teams play possibly twice per week

We will try to reschedule rained out games as quickly as possible.

Take your child to the restroom before the game and be early for warm ups about 10-15 min before game time.

Be sure to have some kind of water bottle or drink available in the dugout for your child. Some of the games get hot and they will get thirsty.

Everyone will play. We do have to only rotate \_\_\_\_\_ players on the field at a time so we will have a rotating players remain in the dugout during each game.

**Team Photo Day – Opening Day, Time TBD**

The Robinson Little League board contracts with an outside company for team photography – no obligation to buy. - Please go by and look at the pictures as it helps the league for you to go and view.

**Equipment (for games and practices)**

Each child needs a helmet (ideally with a face mask) and a glove. I also strongly encourage a fielding face mask, Cleats, a bat for your size player, as well as batting gloves. Please try to have these items by the next practice. If you do not own a glove or helmet, please let me know as soon as possible. It would also be helpful for each child to have a couple of practice balls. LABEL EVERYTHING! Bats are optional as they can borrow a bat. The Fielding face mask will help the players with catching the ball in the air without potential injury to the face, nose or mouth.

**Uniforms**

Shirts are provided and must be worn to all games. I will distribute these as soon as they come in. You will also need \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Color pants or shorts,\_\_\_\_\_\_ Color Belt and socks TBD.

**Shoes**

Shoes must be worn at all times during practices and games

Shoes must be closed-toed --- no sandals or flip-flops permitted

Tennis shoes or cleats are recommended

Participants may wear rubber-molded cleats

**Coaches/Dug-Out Parent Volunteers**

The league depends on volunteers

We need volunteer coaches

No previous coaching experience needed – we’ll train you on the basics

Chance to coach your child – and to make a positive difference in children’s lives

Little league policy requires criminal background check on all coaches

If you’d like to volunteer, see me after the meeting

Once games begin we are limited on the number of coaches on the field.

Depending if we are home or away we will need volunteers to help set up the field or take things back down.

(Rake, Chalk, etc)

**Snacks**

Traditionally, the kids have a snack after the game.

We will have sign-up opportunities once we have the schedule.

Please wait till after the game to hand out snacks somewhere outside of the dugout.

**Fundraiser**

Raffle tickets – Sell as soon as you can. Please put your stubs and money in a plastic bag so it is easy to tell who has turned in. I have to turn in on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . We are supposed to turn in cash or checks written to Robinson Little League for the fundraiser. You may also get more tickets to keep selling as the top two sellers get a prize for the most tickets sold. I will set a turn in date at a later practice.

**FIELD PREPARATION AND CLEAN UP** -

See attached page. We will need volunteers to help with field preparation, clean up, Score board, Official books, as well as work days to help get the fields ready at the ballpark.

**Parent Shirts/Hats**

Orders are due at Practice on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if at all Possible. I have to turn in on the \_\_\_\_\_ with all the money.

We only get one opportunity to order parents gear so check with everyone as quickly as possible because once the turn in happens we are not able to order any more.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to catch me before or after practice.