

# Newburgh Junior Baseball – Bambino Buddy Program

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Location of Games: Vann Road Fields in Newburgh

Game schedules are still being determined. The games will be on Saturday mornings.

A manager or coach will contact you two weeks prior to the first game to let you know what team your child is on and their schedule. Our intent is to play 8 games a season.

**NO PROGRAM FEE IS ASKED FROM OUR PLAYERS.** The league has had generous sponsors cover the cost of the program. Please support the businesses that have sponsored our league.

**NO SCORE IS KEPT DURING THE GAMES.** This prevents the players from being placed in a win or lose situation. The emphasis is on having fun and interaction.

**NO PLAYER WILL STRIKE OUT AT BAT.** After a designated number of missed pitches, the ball will be placed on a tee for the batter.

**COMMUNICATION IS PRIMARILY BY EMAIL.** If you have an email please make sure to provide it on the entry form.

**BUDDIES** are on the field with the players during all practice sessions and games. As the need arises, parents/adult guardians will be asked to assist on the field.

**Inclement weather:** If a game is called due to weather, every attempt will be made to contact player families. When in doubt, please call the **Rainout Hotline at 812-319-3480**

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Please return completed forms to the address given by March 10th to the following:

Jim Hopkins  
6644 River Ridge Drive  
Newburgh, IN 47630

Or email the completed form to [jim.hopkins@yahoo.com](mailto:jim.hopkins@yahoo.com)

**Newburgh Junior Baseball – Bambino Buddy Program**  
**AGES 5 to Adult**  
**REGISTRATION FORM**

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Child's area of disability (please check all those that apply)

Visual Impairment \_\_\_\_\_ Hearing Impairment \_\_\_\_\_ Emotionally Disturbed \_\_\_\_\_

Speech Delayed \_\_\_\_\_ Learning Disabled \_\_\_\_\_ Attention Deficit \_\_\_\_\_

Developmentally Delayed \_\_\_\_\_ Hyperactive \_\_\_\_\_ Autistic \_\_\_\_\_

Cognitive Disability (Mentally Retarded): mild \_\_\_\_\_ moderate \_\_\_\_\_  
severe \_\_\_\_\_ profound \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Motor Difficulty \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Disability \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, does your child use any of the following:

wheelchair \_\_\_\_\_ crutches \_\_\_\_\_ braces \_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

Please add any other information that may be helpful such as allergies or if child is on medication \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle child's shirt size.

**Youth:** Small Medium Large

**Adult:** Small Medium Large X-Large 2XLrg 3XLrg

Would you be interested in helping:

Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Field Preparation \_\_\_\_\_ Buddy \_\_\_\_\_ Concessions \_\_\_\_\_

Safety Official (See General Information for definition) \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and received a copy of the rules for the league and agree to abide by them.  
I understand that I will volunteer if asked. I understand that the leagues medical insurance is secondary to my own.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## **Newburgh Junior Baseball Bambino Buddy Rules**

1. Newburgh Junior Baseball Bambino Buddy is a program for mentally and physically disabled youth. The program is open to any child and adult.
2. The Bambino Buddy league is governed by the Board of Directors of Newburgh Junior Baseball. The Board of Directors determines in advance the playing season, the structure of the league, the rules, the guidelines, and philosophy of the program. The Board of Directors can, at its discretion, establish a committee whose responsibility will be the regulation and supervision of the Bambino Buddy program. If a committee is established, at least two members of that committee must be elected members of the Board of Directors.
3. FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18, A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST BE PRESENT DURING THE ENTIRE GAME, NO EXCEPTIONS
4. **A significant amount of work is involved in organizing the Buddy Ball league. Players and volunteers look forward to playing and we must show them proper respect. We ask that if a player is scheduled to play, please arrive at the ball park on time. This allows us to stay on schedule and eliminate delays.** If you cannot be at a game, please notify the league president or the team coach.
5. A team cap and jersey must be worn for each game.
6. Batters and base runners will be required to wear protective helmets during games. (Helmets will be provided by the league.) The ball used for games will be baseballs with a soft rubber core, typically used in tee ball play.
7. Players are required to provide their own baseball glove.
8. The program will follow the basic rules of baseball with the following exceptions: a) games will be two innings in length. b) All players will play the field defensively. c) The team's coach will pitch the ball to the batter. The batter will not strike out, but if after 8 pitches the batter has not hit a ball into play, or at the batter's choice, the batter will hit from a tee. d) Outs will not be recorded. The objective of the defense is to get all players involved in throwing and catching the ball. e) all players will bat each inning. After hitting the ball in play, the batter will advance one base at a time. The exception to this rule is that any ball hit in play by the final batter will be declared a home run.
9. Players may not wear watches, rings, pins, earrings, jewelry, or other metallic items during games. The only exception to this is medical identification bracelets or necklaces.
10. Players may not wear shoes with spikes on them.
11. Gum, candy or other food is not permitted on the field or in the dugout during games.
12. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco in any form is prohibited on or around the fields at all times
13. **At no time is "horseplay", inappropriate language, physical contact or other disorderly conduct permitted during games either on or around the field.**

14. The definition of "horseplay", inappropriate language, physical conduct, or otherwise disorderly conduct is solely a decision of the league representative, which decision is final.
15. Any person who violates these rules is subject to possible ejection from the ball field or suspension from the game, at the discretion of the manager or league representative, whose decision is final.
16. The Board of Directors or a special committee designated by the Board of Directors shall review any ejection or suspension of any person by the manager at its next scheduled meeting. If the Board or its committee, after a review, is of the opinion that such conduct could warrant termination of a player from continued participation or not allowing a person to be present at future game, the Board will allow that player or the player's parents/guardians to present a statement to the Board prior to any final decisions. The Board or its designated committee will then decide, in closed session, what sanctions, if any, shall be imposed for such conduct. The decision of the Board or its designated committee is final and not subject to review by any agency, organization, or legal tribunal.