

May 20th, 2019

Dear Two River Little League Families,

Given our crazy season with a weeklong break in the middle and weather imported from Seattle, we are pleased that the 2019 Two River Little League (TRLL) season has progressed so nicely and we have all enjoyed seeing our coaches, players, and umpires in action across the five towns.

One of the exciting aspects of playing baseball in the TRLL program is that our players are eligible to compete in the District 19 All Star Tournament in the 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, and 13/14U divisions. Please review some important information regarding All Stars.

TRLL will select an East team in the 9U, 10U, 11U, and 12U divisions made up of players from Fair Haven and Rumson, and a West Team in the 9U, 10U, 11U, and 12U divisions made up of players from Little Silver, Red Bank, and Shrewsbury. The Junior Division, which hosts our 13 and 14 year old players from the East and the West, will combine to form one team this year from the five participating towns should we elect to move forward with a team this summer.

Tryout Dates (all times at 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m)

<u>9U</u>: Monday, June 3rd and Tuesday, June 4th; East@ Youth Center South, West@ Shrews. Sickles

10U: Thursday, May 30th and Monday, June 3rd; East@ Riverside South, West@ TBD

11U: Monday, June 3rd and Tuesday, June 4th; East@ Youth Center North, West@ Manson

12U: Monday, June 3rd and Tuesday, June 4th; East@ Riverside North, West@ TBD

14U: Monday, June 10th; TBD

Active TRLL coaches and board members will evaluate the players during tryouts; coaches from various divisions in the East will evaluate the West tryouts while coaches in the West will evaluate the players from the East. TRLL board members will be responsible for overseeing the tryout process in each age group.

Nominations: Players who have participated in 70% of the games are eligible to be nominated for All Star tryouts.

- 4 players from each division who meet the 70% parameter are eligible to be nominated/invited to try out for the All Star team, save for the EAST Majors teams (see below); 2 players will be voted in by their teammates and 2 players will be selected by their coaches.
- The Majors division, which consists of 11 and 12 year old players, can send three East and four West 11 year old players and 12 year old players to their respective tryouts. Please note that there are two divisions for the Majors an 11U tournament team will be selected and a 12U tournament team will be selected. The TRLL East Majors division has 9 teams and with limited time and a desire to have a fair tryout for the nominees, we decided to limit the total number of participants.
- Coaches will turn in nominations by May 23rd (Juniors will be a bit later).
- If your child is nominated to tryout for All Stars: 1) the nomination may be just enough for them...they need not try out if they aren't willing to make the commitment or aren't sure they are



particularly competitive, and 2) they will have to complete a school enrollment form, a commitment form to ensure that they are available for the practices and games, and a tryout card which provides information regarding positions/experience prior to the tryout dates.

All Star Selections: The top 9 players from the evaluators' feedback/scorecards will be invited to be a part of their respective All Star teams. The head coach for each team can add 3 - 5 additional players at their discretion.

Teams will be announced as usual on the afternoon of Friday, June 7th.

We realize that the summer is a special time for family and friends, vacations, camps, and many other memorable events and activities. To assist you with your planning and to help determine whether your child would be able to participate in the All Star experience, below is a tentative schedule of tournament dates. Please know that if your child is selected to play on their respective All Star team, they will be expected to attend the scheduled practices and games.

Anticipated Tournament Dates:

9-12U: June 21rd – July 14th (11U is moving earlier so not sure of exact starting dates) 14U: July 14th - 21st

[N.B.: champions from 10U and up are eligible to move forward and play in additional sectional and regional games that continue throughout the summer]

Thank you for your participation and continued support of TRLL. The many volunteers and countless hours of service that you dedicate make the TRLL program thrive and are very much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

All the best for a great rest of the season!

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P.S. – In case you're are wondering, playoffs begin:

Tuesday, June 4th for Minors

Wednesday, June 5th for Rookie & Majors

Thursday, June 13th for Juniors (final to be played at Blueclaws Stadium on Monday, June 24th)