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Athens Dixie Youth Baseball

2012 Player Registration Packet

New this year:

The Concussion Information Sheet must be read, signed and turned in with your Registration Form.

Important Dates & Information:

5/6 Uniform Sizing Only:

Date	Time	Location
Saturday, 25 Feb 2012	1:00-5:00 p.m.	Sportsplex
Sunday, 26 Feb 2012	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Sportsplex

Try-outs & Uniform Sizing for 7/8, 9/10, 11/12:

- **ALL** players, including coaches' children, must try-out

Date	Time	Location
Saturday, 25 Feb 2012	1:00-5:00 p.m.	Sportsplex
Sunday, 26 Feb 2012	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Sportsplex

You will be contacted by your coach after teams have been selected. Practices will begin the week of 5 March 2012.

Pictures and Opening Day:

- Saturday, 7 Apr 2012
- Times: TBA
- Note: Only the 5/6 age division will play this day. All other ages will have pictures-only on Saturday, 7 April 2012. Age divisions 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 games will begin on Monday, 2 April 2012.



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Athens Dixie Youth Baseball

Code of Conduct



CODE OF CONDUCT

It is the policy of Athens Dixie Youth Baseball, Inc (ADYB) that no person (on or off the field), at any ADYB event, bears the right to conduct him or herself (physically or verbally) in a manner that negatively reflects on the children of our program. In the event one ADYB board member is notified, by one adult person, of any person who is in violation of this policy at any ADYB event, and the board member is in agreement that the policy has been violated, the violator will be escorted out of, and banned from the event or playing facilities, for the remainder of the day. In extreme cases, the ADYB Board of Directors may choose to ban a violator for longer durations, such as one week, one year, or for life.

PLAYER MISBEHAVIOR POLICY

Athens Dixie Youth Baseball seeks to encourage good sportsmanship, fair play, and team spirit among all of its players. Because ADYB is about working with 5-12 year old children, occasional lapses in the behavior of the players are to be expected. However, repeated misbehavior, which violates the basic spirit that ADYB and its players are striving for, will not be tolerated. Examples of such misbehavior include, but are not limited to, repeated verbal abuse of teammates, coaches, spectators, or opponents, repeated use of profanity, aggression toward any other players, particularly physical aggression, and repeated refusal to cooperate with coaches or league officials, including umpires.

Any such behavior when observed by an ADYB Board member or reported in writing by an ADYB coach, parent, or spectator, will result in a review of the incident by a committee consisting of the League President, Vice-President and the League Director in which the player participates. The committee for player misbehavior review can recommend to the Board the action to be taken. For a valid first infraction, a warning will be issued to the player (and sent to his/her parents). Further actions may be recommended to the Board as deemed appropriate. All actions will be Board-approved. If the player is involved in further incidents, automatic suspension for a set number of games is a likely recommendation by the committee. After any suspension, a player-parent-Board conference is required before the player can resume play. If the player is allowed to continue to participate after suspension, and misbehavior continues beyond this, the Board will be free to suspend the player for the remainder of the year with no refund of registration fee. Any suspension will result in disqualifying the player for All-Star nomination.

It is the intent of ADYB to create an atmosphere where all player participants can have fun, learn baseball, and most of all develop the attitudes and good behavior associated with sportsmanship, fair play, and teammanship.



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PARENTS MISBEHAVIOR POLICY

Generally we have few or no problems with parents misbehaving. However, occasionally a situation does arise where the behavior of a parent becomes unacceptable. This policy is intended to describe the procedure that Athens Dixie Youth Baseball, Inc will follow to address such instances.

It is not the intent of this policy to try and define every instance that might be described as constituting parental misbehavior. We will however make mention of certain types of known behavior that we have experienced in the past and will use these examples to illustrate unacceptable parental behavior. Such examples are, but not limited to, the following.

- Boisterous taunting of an umpire, coach, league official, or player in a negative manner
- Use of profanity or vulgar language
- Embarrassing negative remarks aimed at your own child while he/she is playing a game
- Use of Alcoholic beverages while at the Sportsplex
- Threatening or aggressive remarks towards umpires, coaches, league officials, or fans
- Physical confrontations with umpires, coaches, league officials, or fans
- Failure to remove yourself from the field after you have been ejected from the stands
- Failure to remove yourself from the Sportsplex after you have been ejected from the Sportsplex

Parents please understand that ADYB will deal with any such behavior in the following manner:

You will first be addressed by your coach and asked politely to calm down. If you should persist then you will be warned by the umpire officiating the game to control your behavior. If you continue to present a problem you will be ejected from the game and the game will not resume until you have left the stands. If you fail to leave the stands a league official will be summoned to escort you away from the field of play. *Once ejected from a game, an individual must remove him/her self from the viewing area of the game and not return to the game.* You will be allowed a chance to vent your frustrations and asked to cool down. If you cannot do so then you will be ejected from the Sportsplex. If you fail to do so and refuse to calm down the Athens Police Department will be called to arrest you and take you from the Sportsplex.

It is our hope that we do not have to initiate any of the above steps necessary to control parental behavior. It is the intent of the Athens Dixie Youth, Inc to create a family atmosphere for the enjoyment and recreation of hundreds of parents, coaches, and players who are out to enjoy team and family time together. We hope to provide the basis for all players to have fun, learn the game of baseball, and most of all develop the attitudes and good behavior associated with sportsmanship, fair play, and teamwork. We are asking you as parents to help us reach our goal. Please lead by example and remember that hundreds of small eyes and ears are looking and listening to everything you say and do.

Athens Dixie Youth Baseball HB108

Alabama **Signed into law by the governor on June 9, 2011*

- **HB 108** requires that youth athletes and their parents must be educated about the nature of concussion and brain injury. On a yearly basis, a concussion and head injury information sheet must be signed and returned by the youth athlete and his/her parent prior to starting the sports season.
- Coaches must receive annual training to learn how to recognize the symptoms of a concussion and how to seek proper medical treatment for a person suspected of having a concussion.
- A youth athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion or brain injury in practice or a game must immediately be removed from play and cannot return to play until a written clearance is received from a licensed physician.

Concussion Information Sheet

A concussion is a brain injury and all brain injuries are serious. They are caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head, or by a blow to another part of the body with the force transmitted to the head. They can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Even though most concussions are mild, all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly. You can't see a concussion and most sports concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Signs and symptoms of concussion may show up right after the injury or can take hours or days to fully appear. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, seek medical attention right away.

Symptoms may include one or more of the following;	
• Headaches	• Amnesia
• "Pressure in head"	• "Don't feel right"
• Nausea or vomiting	• Fatigue or low energy
• Neck pain	• Sadness
• Balance problems or dizziness	• Nervousness or anxiety
• Blurred, double, or fuzzy vision	• Irritability
• Sensitivity to light or noise	• More emotional
• Feeling sluggish or slowed down	• Confusion
• Drowsiness	• Change in sleep patterns
• Repeating the same question/comment	• Feeling foggy or groggy
• Concentration or memory problems (forgetting game plays)	

Signs observed by teammates, parents and coaches include:	
• Appears dazed	• Vacant facial expression
• Confused about assignment	• Forgets plays
• Is unsure of game, score, or opponent	• Answers questions slowly
• Moves clumsily or displays incoordination	• Slurred speech
• Shows behavior or personality changes	• Seizures or convulsions
• Can't recall events prior to hit	• Can't recall events after hit
• Any change in typical behavior or personality	• Loses consciousness

What can happen if my child keeps on playing with a concussion or returns to soon?

Athletes with the signs and symptoms of concussion should be removed from play immediately. Continuing to play with the signs and symptoms of a concussion leaves the young athlete especially vulnerable to greater injury. There is an increased risk of significant damage from a concussion for a period of time after that concussion occurs, particularly if the athlete suffers another concussion before completely recovering from the first one. This can lead to prolonged recovery, or even to severe brain swelling (second impact syndrome) with devastating and even fatal consequences. It is well known that adolescent or teenage athlete will often under report symptoms of injuries, and concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is the key for student-athlete's safety.

If you think your child has suffered a concussion

Any athlete even suspected of suffering a concussion should be removed from the game or practice immediately. No athlete may return to activity after an apparent head injury or concussion, regardless of how mild it seems or how quickly symptoms clear, without medical clearance. Close observation of the athlete should continue for several hours.

You should also inform your child's coach if you think that your child may have a concussion. Remember its better to miss one game than miss the whole season. And when in doubt, the athlete sits out. For current and up-to-date information on concussions you can go to:

<http://www.cdc.gov/ConcussionInYouthSports/>

Parent/Guardian Waiver

I certify that:

1. I have been provided with information on **concussions in youth sports** in compliance with HB 108
2. I understand that on a yearly basis, the **concussions in youth sports** information sheet shall be signed and returned to the Athens Dixie Youth Baseball association by myself (or my parent or legal guardian if I am under the age of eighteen (18) years old) prior to my initiating practice or competition. If any player/participant is suspected of suffering a concussion or brain injury, the player will be removed from practice or competition and not returned to practice or competition until cleared in writing by a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions (Medical Doctors, *Certified Athletic Trainers*, etc).

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

(if Player under the age of eighteen (18) years old)

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Player: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____



2012 Athens Dixie Youth Baseball Registration



Must be received by February 18, 2012

Child's Full Legal Name: _____

Called Name: _____

Birth Date: _____

Age of Player on May 1, 2012: _____

Age Division to play: (Circle One) 5/6 7/8 9/10 11/12

(Child must be 5 yrs old by 12-31-2012 to begin 5/6)

- Initial if child is playing up in an older age division: _____

Name of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Address: Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Alternate Phone:** _____

Daytime Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Emergency Contact & Phone: _____

Special Requirements: (Circle One) Yes No

Explain: _____

Has your child ever played organized baseball/travel team? (Circle One) Yes No

League and Age Division child last played: _____

Prior Coach's Name and Contact Information: _____

Fees: The registration fee is \$60.00 per child. This fee covers the cost of the uniform (pants, shirt, hat, and socks.)

Fundraiser: Please choose one of the following for the league fundraiser (One choice is mandatory.)

- I will participate in the annual fundraiser.
- I will pay an additional \$45.00 along with the \$60.00 registration fee and choose not to participate in the fundraiser.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:

- I certify that the above information is true and correct. Furthermore, I have read and understand the Athens DYB Registration Information and the Code of Conduct Policies. I have also read and signed the attached Concussion Information Sheet.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Scholarship Information:

- I would like to sponsor an additional child (include additional \$60.00 with registration fee.)
- I am requesting a scholarship in order to play.

Name and Signature of School Counselor: _____

Volunteer Information:

- I am willing to volunteer my time to help ADYB with post-season tournaments.

Coach Strike: (Only one strike allowed)

- I would like to strike the following coach: _____

Reason(s) for striking: _____

Mail registration along with Check or Money Order to: Athens DYB, P.O. Box 1414, Athens, AL 35612. Also, registration forms may be deposited in the Athens DYB box located in the Athens Rec facility.