

## **BALB Super Senior Policy**

**BACKGROUND:** This Policy is intended to set forth the position of Billings American Legion Baseball (BALB) with regard to the eligibility of players who have graduated from high school and are enrolled as fulltime college students, yet are still eligible to play Legion Baseball. This Policy has been enacted after considering several factors including the express recognition that a primary goal of the BALB is to assist current high school players who are interested in playing college baseball with gaining exposure to college programs; the recognition that placing a college student on a BALB roster will preclude an under-classman from playing Legion Baseball; and the recognition that a returning college student may not be available at the start of the Legion Baseball season thus imposing a potential hardship on the team. Despite these factors, the BALB nonetheless recognizes the value in providing a potential opportunity to play Legion Baseball to eligible college students who still desire to play college baseball and/or who are currently playing college baseball.

**POLICY:** Billings American Legion Baseball (BALB) players who have graduated high school, who are enrolled as a fulltime college student *and* who are still eligible to play Legion Baseball, whether they are currently playing baseball in college or not, will be given the opportunity to request a roster spot on a BALB team during the upcoming season provided they fully satisfy all of the following prerequisites:

1. College students must notify the head coach of either the Royals or Scarlets by October 1 of the year prior to year the Super Senior will play, which is generally during the official BALB tryout, of their desire to play Legion Baseball;
2. College students must commit to accomplishing all of the fund raising requirements of every player participating within the BALB program by the same date set for all other participants; and
3. College students must commit to play the entire BALB season including all post-season play.

A college student who satisfies all of the above-stated prerequisites is not automatically guaranteed or entitled to a spot on a BALB team. Each head coach, in their sole discretion, may or may not opt to hold a roster spot for a returning college student upon the completion of team tryouts. The head coach is not required to provide any explanation or justification whatsoever to a college student who is not ultimately placed on a BALB team roster.