2019 All-Star Information Letter

Carlsbad Softball Association 8U, 10U, 12U & 14U Divisions



CSA Players and Parents,

As we approach the end of the 2019 recreational softball season, we will be transitioning to All-Star team selection in preparation for the All-Star season. All-Star play builds on the recreational program and shifts focus from player development and participation to a competitive program that gives players the opportunity to compete against other premier Southern California fast pitch leagues. All-Stars are selected based on their performance during the regular season and player evaluations/try-outs conducted by the coaching staff. Any player who wishes to be considered for an All-Star team must complete and submit an All-Star Letter of Intent and a Code of Conduct to the CSA Player Agent prior to April 19th, 2019. Please submit via in person or e-mail to playersagent@carlsbadsoftball.org.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY RULES

- 1. Players must play a minimum of 75% of the current seasons' league games.
- 2. Players may play on the All-Star team for the division in which they are age appropriate; players who played up in an older age division during the regular season must return to their correct age division unless approved by the CSA Board of Directors.
- 3. Players who have played on a school team **after March 31st** of the current season are eligible to play if all other eligibility guidelines are followed.
- 4. Players who have participated on any travel softball team **after March 31**st of the current season are **NOT** eligible.

WHAT IS REQUIRED WITH THE ALL STAR COMMITMENT?

- There is a fee of \$300.00 required to play All-Stars. This fee helps defray uniform costs and tournament fees.
- There is a time commitment with a minimum of 5 tournaments pre-selected by the Board of Directors (see
 preliminary schedule below); tournaments run between mid-May and the end of June and if teams qualify
 for the state or national tournaments, may continue through the first week of August.
- All-Star teams practice 3-5 times per week, including weekends. Tournaments generally begin on Fridays and end on Sundays, however, occasional Thursday tournament play may be scheduled.
- You will be required to annotate on the LOI any conflicts with practices and/or tournaments that your player may have during the All-Star Season.
- To support CSA and the All-Star Season, parents will be required to volunteer and work **three (3) two (2) hour shifts per player** at our CSA sponsored tournament, Seabreeze, held May 31st June 2nd, 2019. Volunteer shifts may include field maintenance and set-up, merchandise sales, and snack bar and grill duty. A \$300.00 volunteer deposit will be required and collected when the fee is collected. This check will not be deposited unless you do not fulfill the required three shifts.

HOW DOES ALL-STAR PLAY DIFFER FROM RECREATIONAL PLAY?

- Focus is on competitive play.
- Players are taught advanced skills and strategies.
- Players are normally assigned to no more than two positions (to ensure that players understand all of the responsibilities of the positions).
- The Manager's focus is on the TEAM playing at the highest level possible while nurturing a goal oriented, team centric, positive environment and achieving results from dedication and hard work.
- **PLAYING TIME:** Parents and players are advised that playing time and defensive positions are NOT guaranteed. Our All-Stars are all great players. Playing time and positioning are at the team manager's discretion and are **NOT** appropriate subjects to discuss with coaches before, during, or after a game.

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TENTATIVE 2019 ALL-STAR TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

<u>DATES</u>	<u>TOURNAMENT</u>
May 10 th – 12 th	UC Del Sol (Silver Teams Only)
May 17 th – 19 th	San Marcos (All Teams)
May 24 th – 27 th	Murrieta Valley (All Teams)
May 31 st – Jun 2 nd	Carlsbad Seabreeze (All Teams)
June 7 th – 9 th	Irvine (All Teams) *Hotel Stay Option
June 14 th – 16 th	Poway (Gold Teams Only)
June 15 th – 16 th	"C" District Tournament (Silver Teams Only)
June 21 st – 23 rd	"B" District Tournament (Gold Teams Only)
June 28 th – 30 th	"C" State Tournament (Silver Teams Only)
July 5 th – 7 th	"B" State Tournament (Gold Teams Only)

Finally, we would like to remind our parents and players that participation in All-Stars is a privilege. Your daughters are being exposed to a higher level of competitive play and are receiving far more instruction than during our recreational season. We expect our players and parents to act in a way that brings respect and dignity to Carlsbad Softball Association. Thank you for your support of CSA.

Sincerely,

Charlie Larson
President
Carlsbad Softball Association