

# Mildred Youth Baseball & Softball Association (MYBSA) Registration Information & Frequently Asked Questions 2023 Season

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Online Registration is available 15 February – 10 March 2023

[www.mildredsummerball.com](http://www.mildredsummerball.com)

### Payment Methods

Preferred: Online during registration with credit/debit card

Alternate: Cash and/or check made out to MYBSA (*please select "Check" option when registering, even if paying cash*)

## 2023 Fees

\*\* Please note: Fees remain reduced for this season \*\*

- Baseball/Softball - \$60 per player
- T-Ball (Ages 5-6) - \$45 per player
- Tiny T-Ball (Ages 3-4) - \$45 per player
- Registration fees are due by first scheduled practice
- No refunds after Draft is complete

Registration fee covers league equipment, insurance, league & tournament registration fees, referee costs, field maintenance, etc.

**Please Note: Uniforms are not included in registration fees & are purchased separately**

## AGE DETERMINATION

**Boys (14U Only)** – for the 2023 season, **April 30, 2023** is used as the date to determine age

**Boys (6U, 8U, 10U & 12U)** – for the 2023 season, **August 31, 2023** is used as the date to determine age (this is a change made by TTAB/S that started with the 2017 season)

**Girls** – for the 2021 season, **December 31, 2021** is used as the date to determine age

**Tiny T-Ball** - for the 2021 season, **January 1, 2023** is used as the date to determine age

## DIVISIONS

### **TTAB Divisions (Boys)**

- 6U T-Ball – Players age 5 & 6 (5 inning games – 60' bases)
- 8U Coach Pitch – Players age 7 & 8 (6 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 42')
- 10U Tight Base – Players age 9 & 10 (6 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 42')
- 12U Open Base – Players age 11 & 12 (6 inning games – 70' bases – Pitcher 47' 6")
- 14U – Players age 13 & 14 (7 inning games – 80' bases – Pitcher 53' 9 1/3")

### **TTAS Divisions (Girls)**

- 6U T-Ball – Players age 5 & 6 (5 inning games – 60' bases)
- 8U Coach Pitch – Players age 7 & 8 (6 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 35')
- 10U – Players age 9 & 10 (6 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 35')
- 12U – Players age 11 & 12 (6 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 40')
- 15U – Players age 13, 14 & 15 (7 inning games – 60' bases – Pitcher 43')

### **Local Divisions (Co-ed)**

- 4U Tiny T-Ball – Players age 3 & 4 (5 inning games – 60' bases) – Local league play only

## **2023 SEASON SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS**

### ***Registration Dates/Events***

- Online Registration: 15 February – 10 March 2023
- Board Meeting – Date is currently TBD (see web site and/or Facebook page for updates)
  - TTAB/S Eligibility rules reviewed
  - Season schedule discussed
  - Question/Answer sessions with MYBSA
  - Payments will be collected during this meeting
- Draft is typically held in mid-March (approx. 16-20 March)

### ***Regular Season***

- Regular season practices start mid-March after the Draft
- Practice times are determined by each coach and by field availability. Most teams typically practice 2-3 times a week.
- 1<sup>st</sup> regular season games typically start first week in May
- Regular season is typically 7-8 weeks long beginning first week of May to mid-June
- Games are typically during the week

### ***End of Regular Season***

TTAS (Girls) Season ends on June 9, 2023

TTAB (Boys) Season ends on June 16, 2023

TTAS (Girls) Tournament Roster Deadline: June 11, 2023

TTAB (Boys) Tournament Roster Deadline: June 18, 2023

### ***District Tournaments***

TTAS (Girls) District Tournaments begin June 19, 2023

TTAB (Boys) District Tournaments begin June 26, 2023

### ***State Tournaments***

TTAS (Girls) State Tournaments begin July 3, 2023

TTAB (Boys) State Tournaments begin July 10, 2023

- 6U T-Ball – Not announced yet
- 8U Coach Pitch – Not announced yet
- 10U – Not announced yet
- 12U – Not announced yet
- 15U – Not announced yet

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- 8U Coach Pitch – Not announced yet
- 10U Tight Base – Not announced yet
- 12U Open Base – Not announced yet
- 14U – Not announced yet

## **MYBSA INFORMATION**

- Mildred competes in the Richland Chambers Baseball & Softball Association, which typically consists of teams from:

Blooming Grove	Corsicana (CGSA)
Rice	Dawson (CGSA)
Kerens	Frost (CGSA)
Palmer	Ennis (EBA)

- A team is limited to 15 players with no more than 8 players at the maximum age for the league.
- Players are selected via a draft system which is detailed in the league bylaws and governed by TTA rules. These rules allow certain classes of “protected” players such as coach’s children, of which each team is allowed a max of 3.
- TTA requires championship teams to remain intact when advancing to District and State Tournaments. No All-Star teams, but allows 3 pickup players from within the league to join the tournament team.
- League seasons may begin at the discretion of local organizations but must end at the TTA set dates.
- Top two teams in each league qualify for the District Tournament (\*depending on number of teams in league)
- Top two teams in District Tournaments qualify for the State Tournament

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

## AGE

### ***Q. How is age eligibility determined?***

- A. It depends on gender and division (TTAB/S is implementing a change to the date used for age determination over the next few years)
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### ***Q. If a player was held back in school, can he/she play with his/her grade level instead of the age level?***

A. No, players must play in the correct age group.

### ***Q. Can a player play up to an older division? For example, can a player who is 10 play up in the 12U division?***

A. Yes. Players can play up to an older division but cannot play down to a younger division.

### ***Q. Situation: A player turns 13 on April 30, 2023. What division does he play in, 12U or 14U?***

A. The player is 13 as of April 30, 2023 so he qualifies for the 14U Division.

## RESIDENCE

### ***Q. Can my child play for MYBSA teams if we live in Mildred ISD, but my child attends another school?***

A. Yes, but only in accordance with TTAB/S rules & guidelines. Further consultation with League President or MYBSA Board will be necessary for specific determination. TTAB/S eligibility rules have priority.

### ***Q. Can my child play for MYBSA teams if they attend Mildred ISD schools, but live outside of Mildred ISD boundaries?***

A. Yes, but only in accordance with TTAB/S rules & guidelines. Further consultation with League President or MYBSA Board will be necessary for specific determination. TTAB/S eligibility rules have priority.

### ***Q. Can my child play for MYBSA teams even if we don't live in Mildred ISD?***

A. Possibly, but only in accordance with TTAB/S rules & guidelines. Further consultation with League President or MYBSA Board will be necessary for specific determination. TTAB/S eligibility rules have priority.

### ***Q. Situation: You have a player whose parents are divorced. The child lives with mom in Dallas and the dad lives in Mildred. The dad has joint custody. Dad wants the child to play baseball in MYBSA. Is the child eligible to play since dad lives in Mildred?***

A. Normally, the permanent residence of the child is used to determine eligibility. However, in the situation of divorced families, situations vary widely. Questions regarding the eligibility for a child to play in the town of the non-custodial parent must be submitted to us in writing. We will consider each case based on its own merits. TTAB/S eligibility rules have priority.

## UNIFORMS

### ***Q. Does the registration fee pay for uniforms?***

A. No, the registration fee covers insurance, association fees, season set-up costs, umpires, field maintenance, etc.

### ***Q. How are the uniforms purchased?***

A. Uniforms are paid for separately by parent/guardian or sponsor (see Coach for details)

### ***Q. I have a business who has volunteered to pay for our uniforms. Can we put a sponsor's name on the jerseys?***

A. Yes. Sponsors names are allowed on the uniforms.

## **TEAM ROSTERS**

***Q. How are teams chosen?***

A. Players are selected via a draft system which is detailed in the league bylaws and governed by TTAB/S rules. These rules allow certain classes of “protected” players such as coach’s children, of which each team is allowed a max of 3.

***Q. Can I request a team for my child?***

A. Yes, but in complying with TTAB/S rules it is not always possible to accommodate those requests. In no cases will requests be guaranteed.

***Q. What is the minimum and maximum number of players we can have on a roster?***

A. A team is limited to 15 players with no more than 8 players at the maximum age for the division.

## **BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR COACHES**

***Q. Do coaches have to do a background check every year?***

A. Yes.

***Q. What type of criminal history disqualifies a coach?***

A. Any type of felony automatically disqualifies a coach or volunteer. Misdemeanors are considered based on the type of crime. Most misdemeanors do not disqualify the coach.