

# PALMER YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL 2020 REGISTRATION

Mail check and registration to: PYBSA, PO BOX 144, PALMER, MA 01069  
— or —  
PayPal fee and email registration to info@palmerbaseball.org

Deadline for  
Baseball and  
Softball  
registration is  
**MARCH 8**

Deadline for  
Instructional  
and Coach-Pitch  
registration is  
**APRIL 1**

## SELECT A DIVISION

- \_\_\_ Instructional (Preschool 3+) ..... \$35 check or \$37 PayPal
- \_\_\_ Coach-Pitch (Grades K,1,2)\* ..... \$70 check or \$72 PayPal
- \_\_\_ Softball (Grades 2,3,4)\* ..... \$120 check or \$123 PayPal
- \_\_\_ Softball (Grades 5,6) ..... \$120 check or \$123 PayPal
- \_\_\_ Baseball (Grades 2,3,4)\* ..... \$120 check or \$123 PayPal
- \_\_\_ Baseball JSL (Grades 5,6)† ..... \$210 check or \$215 PayPal

## NOTES

No refunds will be issued after registration deadlines. Cost includes uniform and team fees.

Participation in the PYBSA spring fundraiser can offset your registration fees.

\* Children in Grade 2 may play either Coach-Pitch or Baseball/Softball as determined by parents and coaches. Please attend at least 1 Spring Training session to aid in this decision.

† Tryouts for the 5/6 Baseball JSL team will be held during Spring Training.

“Spring Training”  
for Grades 2 & up  
will be held on

**FEB 23**  
**MARCH 1**  
**MARCH 8**

Check FB and  
palmerbaseball.org  
for details.

## PLAYER INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical/Non-medical Conditions or Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

How many years has he/she played? \_\_\_\_\_ In what Division did he/she play last year? \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN 1

Available to Head Coach?  Available to Assit. Coach?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN 2

Available to Head Coach?  Available to Assit. Coach?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the parent/guardian of the above candidate for a position on the Palmer Youth Baseball and Softball Association (PYBSA) hereby give my approval to his/her participation in any activities of the PYBSA during the current season. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to the conduct of the activities and transportation to and from. In case of injury to my son/daughter, I hereby wave all claims against the organizers, the sponsors, or any of the supervisors appointed to them. I likewise release from responsibility, any person transporting my son/daughter to or from the activities.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please initial the following:

- \_\_\_ I authorize PYBSA to contact me via text or email regarding league announcements.
- \_\_\_ I authorize PYBSA to use game/practice pictures of my child on social media and palmerbaseball.org
- \_\_\_ I have reviewed the Liability Release on page 2 of this form and hereby release PYBSA of all liability.
- \_\_\_ I have reviewed and will abide by the PYBSA Code of Conduct on page 2 of this form.

PYBSA:

## **PYBSA LIABILITY RELEASE**

The Officers, Board of Directors, and Coaches of the Palmer Youth Baseball and Softball Association (the League) give their time so players in the League can experience the game of baseball. The safety and protection of each player is a primary concern of each League member. The League, however, requires that each parent provide the personal protective equipment and insurance for his or her child. It is the responsibility of the parent(s) or guardian(s) to insure that the player is properly protected.

While every attempt is made to properly coach, supervise, and protect your child, there remains the possibility that accidents could occur and your child could become injured during the course of a practice, game, or other League or team sponsored event.

Parents and Guardians of Children participating in any game or event hosted by Palmer Youth Baseball and Softball Association, its officers, board of directors, coaches, members, agents, member towns or organizations, or their agents and employees responsible or liable should the above player becomes injured during the course of his/her participation in the programs or events sponsored by the League and/or its teams. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless all member towns and organizations for any such injuries.

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO OBTAIN AND POSSESS INSURANCE TO COVER THEIR CHILD IN CASE OF ACCIDENT WHILE HE OR SHE IS INVOLVED WITH THE LEAGUE AND/OR ITS TEAMS.

## **PYBSA CODE OF CONDUCT**

Palmer Youth Baseball/Softball Association (hereinafter PYBSA) recognizes that participation in youth sports can be an exciting and rewarding experience for you and your child/ren. As an organization we work to promote the sport and sportsmanship in our town. In doing so, we strive to encourage players, coaches, parents, guardians and spectators to maintain an atmosphere whereby the participants are able to enjoy the sport, free of vulgar or abusive language, drugs, or alcohol and criticism of coaches, players or officials.

Our young athletes have:

The right to participate in sports. The right to participate at a level commensurate with each child's maturity and ability. The right to have qualified adult leadership the right to play as a child and not as an adult. The right to participate in safe and healthy environments. The right to proper preparation for participation in sports. The right to an equal opportunity to strive for success. The right to be treated with dignity. The right to have fun in sports.

Please remember our coaches are volunteers giving personal time and providing a service to your child/ren and our community. If you have a conflict or question regarding a coach, please bring it to the attention of PYBSA by emailing [info@palmerbaseball.org](mailto:info@palmerbaseball.org).

Inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of your child or the safety of others. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player, coach or official, regardless of their gender, race, cultural, religion, age, or ability.

Respect the decisions of game officials and encourage your child to do the same. Regardless of whether you agree with an official's decision, NEVER openly criticize or question the official's judgment call. Never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field. Speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place. Advise any guest attending the game with you or for your child to do the same. If you have a question or concern regarding an official, speak to the coach after the game or at a practice. You (and your guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.

Never ridicule, scold or shout at any player, coach or official for an error or loss of a game. Applaud a good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome. Positive comments are motivational, negative ones are not. Encourage you child and advise your guest to do the same.

Parents and guardians will be held responsible for the actions of their guests: By registering your child to participate in the PYBSA program, you are agreeing that if you or your guest fails to abide by the aforementioned code of conduct, the parent/guardian will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

Verbal warning by official, head coach, and or board of PYBSA with written documentation of incident kept on file by PYBSA. Written warning by the PYBSA board which may include suspension from attendance at games or practices with written documentation of incident kept on file by PYBSA. A game forfeit through the official or coach. A suspension from one or more PYBSA sponsored events. The removal of your player from the team and or expulsion from PYBSA.

You have already, or will be asked to sign a team form, indicating that you have been provided and have read a copy of these codes and guidelines. By signing the form, you agree to abide by the code of conduct and guidelines or be subject to any or all of the aforementioned disciplinary measures.

Guidelines to promote sportsmanship and help your player: Accept the results of each game. Encourage your child to be dignified in victory and gracious in defeat. There are lessons to be learned in each game, regardless of the outcome. Teach your child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that he/she will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.

Support PYBSA's efforts to promote good sportsmanship. This includes our zero tolerance of verbal and physical abuse. Advise your guests of the same. Praise your child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make your child feel like a winner every time. Emphasize skill development and practice and how they benefit your child more than winning. De-emphasize competition in the lower age groups. Remember, children learn by example. Children participate to have fun. The game is for the youth, not the adults.