



Parents of players in Intermediate, Major's division and AAA division:

Four All-Star teams, consisting of players of league ages 9 to 13 will be selected from among the regular season Intermediate, Major and Minor players to represent the Greater Richland Little League (GRL) in the Little League All-Star tournaments. Four teams will be formed; a 9-10 year-old team; an 11 year-old team, a Little League All Star team (12 year olds), and Intermediate All Star team (13 year olds).

The purpose of this letter is to familiarize you with the details of the All-Star season and the commitment it entails from players and their families. The GRL Board of Directors feels that early dissemination of this information will be helpful to both the parents and the league in optimizing the All-Star experience. Please note that you must complete and sign the attached form for your child to be placed on the All-Star ballot. Selection as an All-Star player is an honor, providing the opportunity to represent GRL and play at a higher level against top competition from around the State and potentially beyond. Alongside the honor and recognition of All-Star selection comes significant commitment and responsibility, which extend to both player and family. Regular attendance at practices and games is mandatory.

Process Timeline

Monday, May 6, 2019	All Star commitment forms distributed to Players
Friday, May 10, 2019	Signed All-Star commitment form deadline (turn into Manager)
Saturday, May 11, 2019	Signed All-Star commitment forms turned into President
Saturday, May 11, 2019	Managers and Coaches notify President of All Star interest via email: Which team, and position; Manager (on the ballot) or assistant coach
Saturday, May 18, 2019	All-Star Ballots issued to Managers
Saturday, May 18, 2019	Signed All-Star Ballots due to league president
Saturday, May 18, 2019	Tryout for 10U All Star Team 5 pm Bombing Range
Friday, May 31, 2019	Players, Managers and coaches are selected
June 1, 2019	All-Star teams announced
Prior to Districts	Deadline for Payment of Parent All-Star Fee
June 22 – July 14	District 12 All Star Tournament, hosted by GRL & RNLL

Official Paper Work

Those players selected to an All Star Team will be required to provide an Original Birth Certificate, and 3 proofs of residency showing their residence in the GRL boundaries between February 1 2018 and February 1, 2019. If a player has previously played on an All Star team their paper work is valid and does not need to be reproduced.

Financial Commitment

There is a financial expense for participation on the summer District All-Star teams. The player participation fee to GRL will be approximately \$75 (depending on Team Roster size) and will cover costs of the District 12 Tournament fee, insurance, 1 Pre All Star tournament entry fee, T-shirt Jersey and hat. Final costs will be determined prior to the team selection. Also please note that GRL will NOT be covering costs of out-of-town lodging, travel or expenses if your player's team plays out of town. Scholarships are available to help cover participation fees.

Player Selection Guidelines:

9-10 & 11, 12 and 13 year old teams:

Intermediate and Major Division Player ballots will decide the first 7 spots for the Intermediate All Star Team (13's), All Star Team (12's) and 11U All Star Team. The Intermediate and Majors Division managers will meet and choose players 8, 9 and 10 for the 13, 12 and 11 year old teams. The respective All-Star manager (after manager selection) will choose the remainder of the Roster. A tryout will be held for 9-10 team, Major Division managers and interested 10U All Star Managers will attend to evaluate players. Major division managers will then select 10 players, the team manager will select the remainder of the roster.

Major Division Player Voting:

The club house will be available Saturday morning for voting and board members will be available to answer questions. Players should NOT discuss selections with other players or coaches (this could lead to entire team's ballots not being included if manipulation is found to have occurred). Encourage your child to recognize other players whose good sportsmanship, physical skills, and attitude make them worthy of All-Star consideration. GRLL wants all parents to understand these points so that everyone (player, manager and parent) has a fun and successful All-Star experience. If you have any questions, please visit www.grll.org to find a list of board members and post comments or suggestions.

Note: Little League rules prohibit the announcement of All-Star teams before June 1. The district 12 tournament is set to begin sometime around June 22nd.

Time Commitment

Practice begins immediately upon announcement of the teams on June 1 and continues as long as a team is playing. Teams will practice up to 6 days per week (days and times set by the manager) before game play starts and on most off-days after games start. Practice duration is typically 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Tournament play begins around June 22nd and can run as far as the end of July (9-10 yr. old, 10-11 yr. old teams) or mid-to-late August (Little League Major's, and Intermediate teams) depending on the team's success. Practices and games may be held in the late afternoon or evening on weekdays and at any time on weekends. Games are not always played locally and may be played increasingly further away should the team advance to subsequent rounds. The format for each round is double elimination. If you have planned family vacations, etc., during the time frame described and do not have flexibility in your schedule, then you may choose to decline this invitation to participate in All-Star post-season play.

This year, 2019, GRLL will be hosting 10U and 11U District 12 Tournament at the Bombing Range Sports Complex. It's nice to have home field advantage, however hosting requires extensive volunteer participation. All Star families will be expected to volunteer to help run the tournament.

Clothing

Jersey will be provided by GRLL and MUST be returned to GRLL after All-Stars. A Little League Patch will also be provided for each All-Star. This must be worn during All-Stars. All other clothing must be provided by the parents/guardians.

Playing Time

In All-Stars, minimum play rules are modified. With 12 players, each player is required to have 1 at-bat and play 6 consecutive defensive outs. If a team carries 13 players, each player is only required to have one at bat in each game.

As previously stated, being selected to an All-Star team is an honor. Teams will be filled with very talented players, several who may play the same position. Players/parents need to understand that players may have a very different role than the role the player is accustomed to during the regular season. The coaching staff will determine the role/position that the player will fulfill to best suit the needs of the team.

Please turn this form into your Manager no later than May 10th, 2019

I acknowledge receipt and understanding of the informational letter concerning the All- Star season, including the following specific requirements should my child be selected to an All-Star team:

- The time commitment required for participation.
- The need to provide an original birth certificate or passport for age validation, per [L] [SEP] Little League regulations.
- The need to provide 3 proofs of residency dated between February 1, 2018 and February 1, 2019
- Subsequent inability to fulfill the commitment is grounds for dismissal from the team.
- **Payment** is required PRIOR to the start of Districts

Player Name: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Team Name: _____ [L] [SEP] Regular Season Uniform Number: _____

Parent Name: _____ Email: _____

Previous All Star Experience: _____

Please check one: [L] [SEP]

____ My child (named above) does not wish to be considered as an All-Star candidate.

____ My child (named above) wishes to be considered as an All-Star candidate.

He or she should be able to participate in all practices and games during the period from June 1 through July 31 (and potentially into August if on the Little League and Intermediate team) except for the following dates and/or times, for the reasons indicated:

By signing below I certify that I have reviewed the attached letter containing the dates for all of the possible tournaments that if chosen, my child will be expected to participate in. I understand the time and financial commitment involved with this activity, and we are willing to make this commitment. I also understand that by completing and returning this form, it will in no way guarantee that my child is placed on the All-Star District team.

The following address is where my Child currently lives and resides:

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____