



President's Newsletter



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The secret to getting ahead is getting started.

-Mark Twain

Next up to bat....Fall ball

Well its August and everyone is preparing for going back to school. With that, our registration for all returning players is now open. Please go to MPLL.ORG to register your son/daughter for the fall season. Online registration will be open until Monday Sept 3rd. The season begins on Monday Sept 17th!

All players new to the league will need to register during one of our in-person registration dates. Please remember all new players must provide eligibility documents to play at MPLL. The required documentation needed can be found at this link: [League eligibility documentation](#)

New player registration

All players new to the league will be required to attend one of our in-person registration dates listed below:

- Thurs Aug 16th at DBat San Antonio North from 6pm-8pm
- Sat Aug 18th at Academy at Northwoods shopping from 9am-11am
- Thurs Aug 23rd at DBat San Antonio North from 6pm-8pm
- Sat Aug 25th at Academy at Northwoods shopping from 9am-11am

A last minute late in-person registration will take place an hour before the tryouts on Tues Sept 4th at MPLL main field complex from 5pm-6pm.

Calling all coaches



WE WANT YOU

Its that time where we start rounding up our coaches for all divisions. If you have experience in coaching baseball, I ask you to consider volunteering your time in helping coach a team. The success of the league depends immensely on the quality of coaching in this league. PLEASE sign up today to help out in this needed talent.

If you are interested, please follow this link to our web form. [MPLL Coach's interest form](#)

The VP of each league will reach out to you once received.

This month's featured sponsor





Tryout dates

All players registered for fall ball (with the exception of Tball) will be required to attend one of the tryout sessions the first week in September. All players will be drafted to a team at the conclusion of the tryouts. Players should hear from coaches no later than Tues Sept 11th.

Tryout dates and times (players must attend one of the times)

Tues Sept 4th at 6pm

Thurs Sept 6th at 6pm

Sat Sept 8th at 10am

Tryout field locations

Machine pitch on main complex field 3

9-10 yr old kids pitch on main complex field 1

11-12 yr old kids pitch on main complex field 2

All softball divisions on main complex field 6

Our “Big” Little League

For those of you who are new to our league or unfamiliar with our community, I wanted to take some time explaining the work that goes on in the background to keep this league moving forward.

I get a lot of emails and questions from people complaining....

“why do we have to pay for field rentals?”

“why do we have to get sponsors?”

“why does it cost so much to play here?”

“why wont you let us bring our own food in?”

“why do we have to do fundraising?”

We as a league have a large fiduciary responsibility as a community to maintain our great facility here at McAllister Park.

Our league is comprised of 16 fields which roughly equate to 36 acres of real estate. This land is leased from the City of San Antonio free of charge as long as we are able to maintain all of the the fields to city standards. **We receive ZERO, yes ZERO in regard to any financial support from Bexar county or the City of San Antonio.** 100% of the financial burden falls on our league. This year’s annual expense budget for the league is \$528,000. Our facility maintenance and utilities are the biggest expense in that budget. Approximately \$331,500 is directly related to the facility maintenance and utilities. Remaining expenses deal with the operational costs of our little league itself in security, umpires, uniforms, concessions, baseball equipment, etc.



With approximately 700 players in the spring and 300 players in the fall, you can quickly do the math and realize that covering \$528,000 in expenses is no easy feat thru registration fees alone. Our registration fees typically amount to \$200,000 if we are lucky. My point is, our registration fees do not cover our leagues expenses. I hope everyone understands that as a league we cannot function without the additional revenue sources. We are heavily dependent on donations and revenues generated through our concessions, field rentals, baseball tournament fees, fundraising, parking spots and sponsorships. Without these, we cease to function as a league.

So next time you are at the fields, I ask you to think about what all goes into making our Little League what it is. Its no easy task and it takes dedication and hard work from our board of directors as well as all of the parents involved in this league. Do your part to help support this great community!

I say this often, "this is YOUR Little League." We are all a big family trying to build and maintain a great facility and community for our kids to grow up in. It takes a momentous amount of time and volunteers to successfully do this. I ask everyone to consider to get involved. We do need YOUR help. Everyone has time and talents that can be utilized. Get involved today!

