

Hertel-North Park Youth Baseball and Softball

2024 Season Information Sheet

- 1) The phone number for Shoshone Park is (716) 862-0243. Leave a message and someone will return your call within 24 hours. You can also e-mail info@hnpbybl.com, or visit our website, hnpbybl.com which contains a list of, and contact information for, all Board Members and Division Heads.
- 2) Most games are played at Shoshone Park. Some of our larger divisions have occasional games at McCarthy Park. All weeknight games begin at 6:00. Weekend games generally start any time between 9:30 and 3:30.
- 3) Practices for divisions above T-Ball will begin around April 16th (Seniors begin later). Please be patient if you hear a "friend" has been notified and you have not, as not all teams begin on the same day. You will be notified via a league e-mail of your players team assignment after they have been placed on a team.
- 4) We highly recommend you download the Gamechanger "Team Manager" app to stay up-to-date with practices, games, and schedule changes. Most coaches use this as their primary means of communication.
- 5) Boys and girls T-Ball players will be contacted around May 1st regarding practice times.
- 6) All players are REQUIRED to provide the following: gray baseball pants (not sweatpants), a baseball glove, a helmet (NOSCAE approved) and rubber spikes or sneakers. Please note, metal spikes are not allowed at ANY age level for house baseball, and your child will not be allowed to play without gray baseball pants.
- 7) All players must have a proof of birth date on file with the league and it must be presented upon request.
- 8) The Division in which each child plays is determined solely by where the player's date of birth lands on the age matrix. We do not deviate from age requirements.
- 9) Umpiring opportunities are available to any player, boy or girl, age 13 or above. This can serve either as a summer job or as an opportunity for service hours.
- 10) Finally, **you must be committed to the program. Remember that when your child misses games and practices it impacts everyone on their team.**