

2019 PTAA Baseball/Softball General Information

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About PTAA

Founded in 1968. Situated in the heart of Harrison City, PA Westmoreland County, PTAA maintains and operates 10 baseball / softball fields at the Penn Township Municipal Park Complex. At our fields, we try to provide an exciting and safe atmosphere, in which the youth from our community and beyond our borders, can excel and triumph in the traditional American pastime. Patrons of all ages, places and backgrounds have commented on the uniqueness of our facility and conveyed their enjoyment of participating in our program.

Available Registration Types

- 1. Spring Season**
 - a. Baseball**
 - i. Baseball - Instructional (Ages 5-6)
 - ii. Baseball - Minors (Ages 7-8)
 - iii. Baseball - American (Ages 9-10)
 - iv. Baseball - National (Ages 11-12)
 - v. Baseball - Pony (Ages 13-14)
 - vi. Baseball - Colt (Ages 15-17)
 - b. Softball**
 - i. **Slow Pitch**
 1. Softball - Instructional 6U (Ages 4-6)

2. Softball - Coach Pitch 8U (Ages 7-8)
3. Softball - Slow Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10)
4. Softball - Slow Pitch 13U (Ages 11-13)
5. Softball - Slow Pitch 18U (Ages 14-18)

ii. Fast Pitch

1. Softball - Fast Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10)
2. Softball - Fast Pitch 12U (Ages 11-12)
3. Softball - Fast Pitch 15U (Ages 13-15)

2. Fall Season

a. Baseball

- i. Baseball - Instructional (Ages 4-5)
- ii. Baseball - Minors (Ages 6-7)
- iii. Baseball - American (Ages 8-9)
- iv. Baseball - National (Ages 10-11)
- v. Baseball - Pony (Ages 12-13)

b. Softball

i. Slow Pitch

1. Softball - Instructional 6U (Ages 4-6)
2. Softball - Coach Pitch 8U (Ages 7-8)
3. Softball - Slow Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10)
4. Softball - Slow Pitch 13U (Ages 11-13)

ii. Fast Pitch

1. Softball - Fast Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10)
2. Softball - Fast Pitch 12U (Ages 11-12)
3. Softball - Fast Pitch 15U (Ages 13-15)

Age Eligibility

PTAA Softball league selection in the spring is by age. Softball league selection in the fall is by grade or age of the player. Age based on the date of birth of the player registering. Grade is based on the grade player is entering during current or upcoming school year.

PTAA Baseball league selection in the spring and fall is by age. For many years PTAA has followed the little league age determination guidelines. Recent changes to these age guidelines have forced the PTAA baseball program to not enforce the revised little league mandates. In 2016 the board voted to **NOT** follow the new little league age changes and keep the original cut off dates for all ages. More info on this change [here](#).

1. For In-House Baseball – Spring Season Only

| Player eligible if date of birth between: | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----|
| League | Date Range | Age |
| Instructional | May 1, 2015 and April 30, 2014 | 5 |

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| Instructional | May 1, 2014 and April 30, 2013 | 6 |
| Minors | May 1, 2013 and April 30, 2012 | 7 |
| Minors | May 1, 2012 and April 30, 2011 | 8 |
| American | May 1, 2011 and April 30, 2010 | 9 |
| American | May 1, 2010 and April 30, 2009 | 10 |
| National | May 1, 2009 and April 30, 2008 | 11 |
| National | May 1, 2008 and April 30, 2007 | 12 |
| Pony | May 1, 2007 and April 30, 2006 | 13 |
| Pony | May 1, 2006 and April 30, 2005 | 14 |
| Colt | May 1, 2005 and April 30, 2004 | 15 |
| Colt | May 1, 2004 and April 30, 2003 | 16 |
| Colt | May 1, 2003 and April 30, 2002 | 17 |

2. For In-House Baseball – Fall Season Only

- a. League Age determined by child's age as of April 30, 2019.

3. For In-House Softball

- a. League age determined by child's age as of December 31, 2018
- b. League grade determined by current or upcoming school year

Schedule Information

1. In-House Registration

a. Spring

- i. Registration Opens 1/15/19
- ii. Registration Closes 3/17/19.
- iii. Regular Registration (ONLINE OR IN PERSON) 1/8/19 to 3/17/19.
- iv. Late Registration (BY REQUEST email ptaa@playptaa.com) 3/18/19 to 4/26/19.
- v. In person sign ups (Penn Middle Cafeteria) 2/16 10am to 2pm.
- vi. Work Parties 3/9 and 3/23
- vii. Late in person sign ups at Harrison Room 3/17.
- viii. All player drafts week of 3/18/19.

b. Fall

- i. Registration June 2rd to August 18th.

2. Seasons

a. Softball and Baseball In-House

i. Spring

1. Player Draft week of 3/18/19
2. Opening Day 4/27/19
3. Season March 18th to June 23rd (weather may impact dates)

ii. Fall

1. Player Draft week of 8/19/19
2. Season August 19th to October 31st

- b. Baseball Travel** – Teams are self-funded. To be on a PTAA Baseball Travel team you need try out in August for a travel team.
 - i. Teams selected from player evaluations in August each year.
 - ii. Season August to July.
 - iii. Baseball Travel is not associated with the Baseball In House program.
- c. Baseball All-Stars/Softball Tournament Teams**
 - i. Any players wishing to be on an all-star/tournament team try out in May.
 - ii. Only In House Softball and In House Baseball players are eligible to tryout.
 - iii. Formal Player Evaluations – May
 - iv. Practice – June
 - v. Tournaments – June to July

Registration Fees

Registration during the Spring Season is online via credit card or in person usually in February. Fall Season registration is by credit card only. Checks NOT accepted online during registration. If other financial arrangements need to be made please contact ptaa@playptaa.com.

Optional Concession Stand Fee of \$50 selected during registration will cover parents/players who would like to opt out of concession stand duty. We strongly encourage every parent to volunteer to work the stand and not opt out. Fee used to pay an alternate to work in your place. If you choose not to pay fee to work the stand, and not work, PTAA will add fee to your online balance.

1. Spring Season

| Registration Type | Regular Registration Fee |
|--|--------------------------|
| Baseball - Instructional (Ages 5-6) | \$65.00 |
| Baseball - Minors (Ages 7-8) | \$85.00 |
| Baseball - American (Ages 9-10) | \$90.00 |
| Baseball - National (Ages 11-12) | \$105.00 |
| Baseball - Pony (Ages 13-14) | \$120.00 |
| Baseball - Colt (Ages 15-17) | \$150.00 |
| Baseball – Travel (Ages 7-14) | \$60.00 |
| Baseball – All Stars (Ages 7-14) | \$30.00 |
| Softball - Instructional 6U (Ages 4-6) | \$70.00 |
| Softball - Coach Pitch 8U (Ages 7-8) | \$80.00 |
| Softball - Slow Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10) | \$90.00 |
| Softball - Slow Pitch 13U (Ages 11-13) | \$95.00 |
| Softball - Slow Pitch 18U (Ages 14-18) | \$100.00 |

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| Softball - Fast Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10) | \$110.00 |
| Softball - Fast Pitch 12U (Ages 11-12) | \$115.00 |
| Softball - Fast Pitch 15U (Ages 13-15) | \$120.00 |
| Softball – Tournament (Ages 7-14) | \$60.00 |

Eligible Spring Registration Discounts

1. Softball/Baseball members in “Good Standing” are eligible to receive a \$50 max for all registrations made during following spring season only. Discount applied during in person registration only.
2. Softball/Baseball families who register more than one player and the total registration costs are more than \$250.00, the family will only pay the max of \$250.00 for the spring season. Family max discount is not available in the Fall season and/or does not apply to Baseball All-Star, Junior Legion, Baseball Travel, or Softball Tournaments players.

2. Fall Season

| Registration Type | Regular Registration Fee |
|--|--------------------------|
| Baseball - Instructional (Ages 4-5) | \$45.00 |
| Baseball - Minors (Ages 6-7) | \$55.00 |
| Baseball - American (Ages 8-9) | \$70.00 |
| Baseball - National (Ages 10-11) | \$90.00 |
| Baseball - Pony (Ages 12-13) | \$100.00 |
| Baseball – Travel (Ages 7-14) | \$30.00 |
| Softball - Instructional 6U (Ages 4-6) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Coach Pitch 8U (Ages 7-8) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Slow Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Slow Pitch 13U (Ages 11-13) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Fast Pitch 10U (Ages 9-10) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Fast Pitch 12U (Ages 11-12) | \$50.00 |
| Softball - Fast Pitch 15U (Ages 11-12) | \$50.00 |
| Softball – Tournament (Ages 7-14) | \$30.00 |

Baseball/Softball Registration Fees Breakdown and Allocation

The PTAA organization is a non-profit and the goal for our program is to offer low cost sports opportunities to the Penn Township community while covering the costs the organization realizes each

year at the same time. We offset most of our costs through sponsorships, fundraisers, and concession sales. Per player, costs listed below would be the costs of our programs if we did not have sponsors, fundraisers, or run the concession stand. It is important that every player and parent volunteers and participates in these fundraisers and works the concession stand to offset the PTAA program costs.

| | Spring Baseball | Spring Softball | Fall Baseball | Fall Softball |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Expenses 2018 | \$35,484.64 | \$30,296.94 | \$15,862.20 | \$9,312.43 |
| Projected # Players 2019 | 290 | 180 | 200 | 60 |
| Per player cost | \$122.36 | \$168.32 | \$89.31 | \$155.21 |

Fundraisers/Events – All Dates Pending Penn Township Recreation Board Approval

1. PTAA

- a. Dicks Sporting Goods Shopping Days March 16th/17th 2019
- b. Triangle Hoagie Sale February 16th 2019
- c. Opening Day & MLB Pitch/Hit/Run April 27st 2019

2. Baseball In-House

- a. **2 fundraisers per year.**
- b. **2 Baseball Tournament**
 - i. All Star Baseball Tournament June 26th to July 4th 2019
 1. For more information send email to baseball.tournaments@playptaa.com
 - ii. TBD

3. Softball In-House

- a. **3 fundraisers per year**
 - i. Memorial Day Super NIT May 24th to 26th
<http://usssacentralpa.com/MemorialDaySuperNIT.html>
 - ii. Summer Show Down July 13th to 14th
<http://usssacentralpa.com/SummerShowdown.html>
 - iii. PTAA FastPitch Softball Tournament July 25th to 28th

4. Baseball Travel,

- a. **3 fundraisers per year**
 - i. Atlantic Coast Mother's Day Challenge – May 9th to 12th
 - ii. Warrior Travel Tournament – June 13th to 16th
 - iii. 2019 Pennsylvania Cal Ripken State Tournament – July 5th to 9th

PTAA Refund Policy

The Penn Township Athletic Association has a comprehensive refund policy that we've outlined below: All refund requests must be submitted in writing to either the Director of Baseball or the Director of Softball depending on the division player registered for. Contact info can be found on our Board Members page.

- 100% of registration fee up until player uniforms are ordered (minus a \$5 processing fee)
- 50% refund between uniform orders and season officially starts. Season starts at start of first practice. (minus a \$5 processing fee)
- 0% refund after season officially starts. Season starts at start of first practice.

Refunds will also be issued under the following circumstances subject to review by the board of directors.

- Injury
- Relocation
- Unable to be placed on a team

If the PTAA Organization incurs any fees related to disputes or refunds they will be added to the players account online or final refund amount.

By-Laws and Rules

1. PTAA

a. [By-Laws](#)

2. Baseball In-House

a. By-Laws

- [Master](#)
- [Appendix A](#)
- [Appendix B](#)
- [Appendix C](#)

b. Game Rules

- [Instructional League](#)
- [Minor League](#)
- [American League](#)
- [National League](#)
- [Colt League](#)

c. [Draft Rules](#)

3. Softball In-House

a. [By-Laws](#)

b. Game Rules

- [6 & Under](#)
- [8 & Under](#)
- Slow Pitch 10 & Under
- Slow Pitch 13 & Under
- Slow Pitch 18 & Under

- vi. [Fast Pitch 10 & Under](#)
 - vii. [Fast Pitch 12 & Under](#)
 - viii. [Fast Pitch 15 & Under](#)
 - c. [Field Dimensions](#)
- 4. Baseball Travel**
- a. [By-Laws](#)

Uniforms

Spring Baseball Players receive shirts, hats, and pants in all leagues except Instructional. These players only receive a shirt and hat. Spring Softball Players receive shirts, hats, pants, and socks. Fall Baseball/Softball Players receive shirts and hats only. Please make your size selections properly using the sizing guide provided. PTAA is not responsible for sizing errors. [Sizing guide](#)

Parent Commitments, Committees, Coaching, and Board Membership

The continued success of the Penn Township Athletic Association and its programs is from its volunteers. PTAA is always looking for help. During the registration process you will have the ability to select if you would like to help the association or not.

The minimum parent commitment when you register a player is providing concession stand support with your team during the regular fall or spring season. If you have multiple children in the program you will need to participate for each player.

If you are interested in coaching, please select this option during registration.

The association has many different key areas that require lots of support and volunteers. These key areas are Maintenance, Concessions, Team Mom, League Representatives, Tournaments, Sponsorship and/or Equipment. If you are interested in anyone of these programs, select your interest during registration or send an email to ptaa@playptaa.com.

Disclaimers

1. Registration Final Message

PTAA is under no obligation to grant special requests for your child to be on a specific team, have a specific coach, or be placed on a team with a specific player other than a sibling, or be re-drafted. Any such request must be made to the BASEBALL or SOFTBALL BOARD and requires board approval. Penn Township Athletic Association also reserves the right to use any photograph/videography taken at any event, sponsored by PTAA, without the expressed written permission of those included within the photograph. Photographs may be used in publications or other media material produced, used or contracted by PTAA including but not limited to: newspapers, magazines, television, websites, etc. Any person desiring not to have their photo taken or distributed must contact the PTAA President in writing

of their intentions and include a photograph. The photo will be used for identification purposes and will be held in confidence by the PTAA organization.

2. Association Release and Consent

I / We, the parent or legal guardian of the registered applicant(s), hereby give my/our approval for his/her participation in any or all association activities during the current year. I/We assume all risk and hazards to and from the activities, and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the "Penn Township Athletic Association" and its sponsors, managers, assistants and umpires for any claim arising out of any injury to the applicant. I/We agree to return uniforms and other equipment belonging to the "Penn Township Athletic Association" in a good as received, less reasonable normal usage.

3. Injury Disclaimer

As a parent, if you think your child or teen may have an injury, you should:

1. Remove your child or teen from play.
2. Keep your child or teen out of play the day of the injury. Your child or teen should be seen by a healthcare provider and only return to play with permission from a healthcare provider who is experienced in evaluating injuries.
3. Ask your child's or teen's healthcare provider for written instructions on helping your child or teen return to play. You can give the return-to-play instructions to your child's or teen's coach.

Do not try to judge the severity of the injury yourself. Only a healthcare provider should assess a child or teen for a possible severe injury. You may not know how serious the injury is at first, and some symptoms may not show up for hours or days. A child's or teen's return to sports should be a gradual process that is carefully managed and monitored by a healthcare provider.

Website Registration Questions

Spring 2019

| Required | Question | Instructions | Type | Values |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Yes | Baseball/Softball Shirt Size | Size YS = Youth Size 6-8, Size YM = Youth Size 10-12, Size YL = Youth Size 14-16, Size YXL = Youth Size X-Large 18-20, Size AS = Adult Size Small, Size AM = Adult Size Medium, Size AL = Adult Size Large, Size AXL = Adult Size X-Large, Size A2XL = Adult Size 2X-Large | Dropdown | YS,YM,YL,YXL,AS,AM,AL,AXL,A2XL |

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| No | Baseball Pants Size | Size YS = Youth Size Small 22-24, Size YM = Youth Size Medium 24-26, Size YL = Youth Size Large 26-28, Size YXL = Youth Size X-Large 28-30, Size AS = Adult Size Small 29-32, Size AM = Adult Size Medium 32-35, Size AL = Adult Size Large 36-38, Size AXL = Adult Size X-Large 39-41, Size A2XL = Adult Size 2X-Large 42-44 | Dropdown | YS,YM,YL,YXL,AS,AM,AL,AXL,A2XL |
| No | Softball Pants Size | Size YS = Youth Size Small 21-22, Size YM = Youth Size Medium 23-24, Size YL = Youth Size Large 25-26, Size YXL = Youth Size X-Large 27-28, Size AS = Adult Size Small 29-30, Size AM = Adult Size Medium 31-34, Size AL = Adult Size Large 35-38, Size AXL = Adult Size X-Large 39-42, Size A2XL = Adult Size 2X-Large 43-46 | Dropdown | YS,YM,YL,YXL,AS,AM,AL,AXL,A2XL |
| No | Softball Socks | Small, Medium, or Large (Sizes Run Large) | Dropdown | S,M,L |
| Yes | I have selected the correct items and sizes | Spring Baseball Players receive shirts, hats, and pants in all leagues except Instructional. These players only receive a shirt and hat. Spring Softball Players receive shirts, hats, Shorts, and Socks. Please make your size selections properly using the sizing guide provided. PTAA is not responsible for sizing errors. Sizing errors may incur additional fees. | Dropdown | Yes,Pick Correct Sizes |
| No | BASEBALL: My Son/Daughter is interested in the Junior Umpire Program for Baseball? | Umpires get \$10 per game. Applies to age 12 and up only. Umpires will umpire Minor league games. | Dropdown | Does Not Apply,Yes,No |
| No | SOFTBALL: My Daughter is interested in the Junior Umpire program for Softball? | Umpires get \$10 per game. Applies to age 12 and up only. | Dropdown | Does Not Apply,Yes,No |
| No | Special Requests/Comments | | Text | |

Fall 2019

| Required | Question | Instructions | Type | Values |
|----------|---|--|----------|--------------------------------|
| Yes | Baseball/Softball Shirt Size | Size YS = Youth Size 6-8, Size YM = Youth Size 10-12, Size YL = Youth Size 14-16, Size YXL = Youth Size X-Large 18-20, Size AS = Adult Size Small, Size AM = Adult Size Medium, Size AL = Adult Size Large, Size AXL = Adult Size X-Large, Size A2XL = Adult Size 2X-Large | Dropdown | YS,YM,YL,YXL,AS,AM,AL,AXL,A2XL |
| Yes | I have selected the correct items and sizes | Fall Baseball/Softball Players receive shirts and hats only. Please make your size selections properly using the sizing guide provided. PTAA is not responsible for sizing errors. | Dropdown | Yes,Pick Correct Sizes |

2019 Board Members

PTAA Board

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|-------------------|--|---|
| Mains, Chris | ptaa.president@playptaa.com | PTAA President |
| Yamrick, Brad | ptaa.vicepresident@playptaa.com | PTAA Vice-President |
| Keenan, Jason | ptaa.secretary@playptaa.com | PTAA Secretary |
| Porter, Vance | ptaa.treasurer@playptaa.com | PTAA Treasurer |
| Tyburski, Rebecca | ptaa.concessions@playptaa.com | PTAA Director of Concessions |
| Cox, Jaison | ptaa.maintenance@playptaa.com | PTAA Director of Field Maintenance |
| Freas, Steve | ptaa.sponsors@playptaa.com | PTAA Sponsorship & Fundraising Director |
| Stewart, Jason | webmaster@playptaa.com | PTAA Web & Communications Director |

In-House Baseball Board

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| Andrews, Rob | baseball.director@playptaa.com | Director of Baseball |
| Tyburski, Ron | baseball.assistantdirector@playptaa.com | Assistant Director of Baseball |
| O'Connor, Nathan | baseball.secretary@playptaa.com | Secretary of Baseball |
| Kerstettler, Ty | baseball.equipment@playptaa.com | Baseball Equipment Manager |
| Cox, Jaison | baseball.maintenance@playptaa.com | Baseball Field Maintenance Manager |
| Echard, Peter | baseball.allstars@playptaa.com | Baseball All Star & Tournament Manager |

In-House Softball Board

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| Moors, Craig | softball.director@playptaa.com | Director of Softball |
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| Vacancy | softball.assistantdirector@playptaa.com | Assistant Director of Softball |
| Popovich, Matt | softball.secretary@playptaa.com | Secretary of Softball |
| Yamrick, Brad | softball.fastpitch@playptaa.com | Fast Pitch Coordinator |
| Pellis, Chad | softball.equipment@playptaa.com | Softball Equipment Manager |
| Cox, Jaison | softball.maintenance@playptaa.com | Softball Field Maintenance Manager |

Travel Baseball Board

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| Lenart, Brian | travel.director@playptaa.com | Director of Travel Baseball |
| White, Tom | travel.assistantdirector@playptaa.com | Assistant Director of Travel Baseball |
| Schreyer, Phil | travel.secretary@playptaa.com | Secretary of Travel Baseball |

Sponsorship Opportunities

As an all-volunteer organization, PTAA provides Softball & Baseball opportunities to the youth of Penn Township. While every player is charged a registration fee, this unfortunately does not cover all expenses. For a small donation, your business can help us in our endeavor to provide first-rate opportunities to the children of our community. Last year, approximately 800 Penn Township children participated in our various programs. Your sponsorship of a local team or scoreboard goes a long way in assisting our organization with the day to day costs of operating a volunteer program.

If you are interested in sponsoring a team please see our online form on the main page of the site.

If you are interested in a 3 year scoreboard see our online form on the main page of the site.

If you have a question about sponsorships please contact the PTAA Sponsorship Coordinator via email ptaa.sponsors@playptaa.com.

Association Player Safety Information

[Link to General Player Safety Policy](#)

[Link to Concussion Policy](#)

More Information If you would like more information or have a question for PTAA please send an email to ptaa@playptaa.com.