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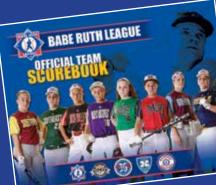
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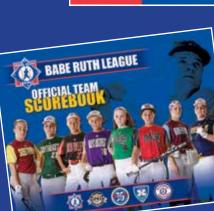
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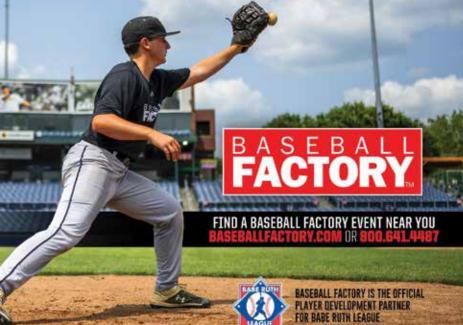
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The date was February 9, 1951. A postage stamp cost three cents and 19 cents bought a gallon of gas. Color television was introduced, and direct dial coast-to-coast telephone service began.

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The event was a gathering of ten local men who believed that a problem existed at the time for boys aged 13 to 15. While there was baseball for boys under thirteen and organized ball for those over fifteen, boys in the 13-15 age group were left out. They had nowhere to play. So, these ten men decided to do something about it. They formed the Little Bigger League, a baseball program for boys aged 13 to 15.

In 1954, Claire Ruth—the widow of Babe Ruth—hears of the merits of the new organization and its tremendous growth, and meets with the League's administrators. She subsequently authorizes the organization to change its name to Babe Ruth League.











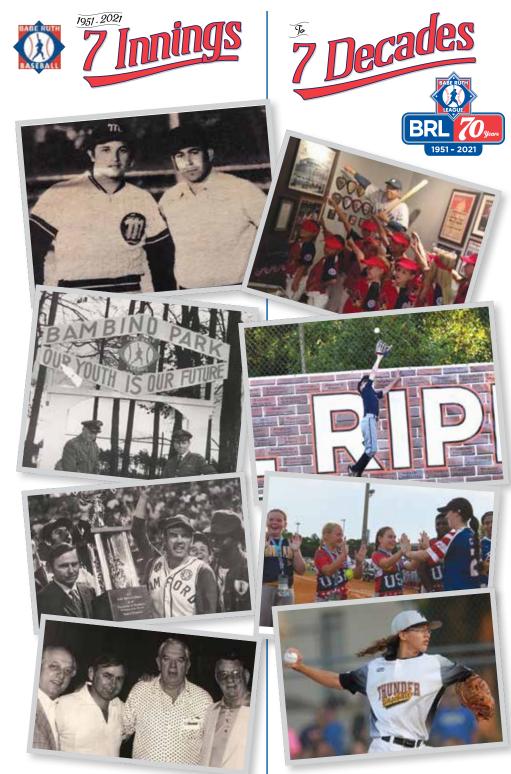
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"Babe was a man who loved children and baseball," Claire Ruth said. "He could receive no greater tribute than to have a youth baseball program named after him." With that, Babe Ruth League, Inc. quickly gains national, and then international, recognition.

Today, Babe Ruth League, Inc. ranks as the premier amateur baseball and softball program in the world. From that first 10team league in Hamilton Township, New Jersey, it has grown to a combined size of over one million players on over 59,000 teams in more than 10,000 leagues. The continuing success of the baseball and softball programs is due to the tireless efforts of the many volunteers and the countless hours they contribute.

Each and every volunteer—from the local league manager to the chairperson of the 17-member international board is dedicated to the good character development of our young athletes and the continued development of their baseball/softball skills.





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## Great futures start here. Did yours?

Cal Ripken, Jr., Jimmy Rollins, Michael Jordan, Tom Selleck, Bruce Springsteen, Spencer Levin, Torii Hunter, Mike Piazza, Rob Gronkowski ... What do all of these people, and millions more, have in common?

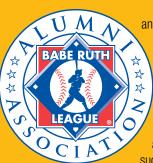
## They are all graduates and friends of a Babe Ruth League program.

While many have achieved particular distinction in fields such as entertainment, sports or business, the average alumnus/ friend may not be famous. Most have achieved success by getting an education, raising a family, serving their country, pursuing a career or supporting their community.



## Alumni & Friends ... Stay in the Game With the Babe Ruth League Alumni Association

The Babe Ruth League program began with a vision. Through group commitment, motivation and dedication, it has now become one of the leading youth baseball



and softball programs in the world. The main goal will always remain the same ... TO PUT KIDS FIRST!

The Babe Ruth Alumni Association and Friends is a network of people who care and have a strong desire to succeed. Why? Because the youth of our country depend on us. That has

been and will always be our driving force.

Millions of kids have benefitted from participation in Babe Ruth League, Inc. since the first league was established in 1951. Babe Ruth League, Inc. has truly become a place of hope and opportunity for all young people ... male and female.

This is about welcoming you with an understanding of our mission, while tapping into the great resources that you and the other alumni and friends can provide.

#### **Our Mission**

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to advance the general welfare of Babe Ruth League, Inc. and to support the needs and mission of Babe Ruth League, Inc. through engaging alumni, friends and partners of Babe Ruth League, Inc.

We aim to help youth prepare to meet the challenges of adolescence and adulthood, as well as encourage their drive for personal excellence and achievement. Through special programs, activities, campaigns, scholarships and much more, the Alumni and Friends can help Babe Ruth League achieve these most important goals.

#### Why Join the Alumni Association?

- Because of the countless life lessons learned in between those white lines.
- Because of the friendships brought together and carried on for the rest of your life.
- You remember the moments of selfless acts of sacrificing glory for the good of the team.

- You remember getting so caught up in the game you nearly forgot to breathe.
- You look back fondly on your time involved with the Babe Ruth League program, whether as a player, manager, coach, commissioner or volunteer.
- And you would be especially proud to carry on the tradition of Babe Ruth League to make sure the program is available for generations to come.

### Contact the BRL Alumni Association at 609-695-1434 for further information!

We are asking all Babe Ruth League Alumni and Friends to Stay in the Game with the Babe Ruth League Alumni Association.

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## The Baseball & Softball Divisions of Babe Ruth League

#### Babe Ruth Baseball League -Ages 13-15

Founded in 1951, Babe Ruth Baseball League was created for ballplayers ages 13-15 who wished to continue their baseball playing experience beyond the age of 12. In this division, teams are eligible to enter tournament competition and move along the tournament trail, culminating in a World Series.

#### 13-Year-Old Prep League:

Babe Ruth League introduced this prep league—comprised of teams with only 13-year-old players—to foster more participation in the game for this age group. This league offers the 13-year-old player the assurance to play without age intimidation and the chance to participate in the 13-Year-Old World Series.

#### Babe Ruth Baseball League -Ages 16-18

The primary objective of the 16-18 Division is to provide a community level program which eventually gives players the chance to compete to reach the 16-18 Year-Old World Series.

#### 16-Year-Old Prep League:

The primary objective of the 16-Year-Old Prep League is to provide players the opportunity to stay involved in organized baseball while sharpening their skills against competition in their own age group. Through its own tournament trail, players also have the chance to advance to the 16-Year-Old Regional Tournament.

Babe Ruth League serves over 1 million players through Babe Ruth Baseball, Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Softball, Xtreme Fastpitch and Bambino Buddy-Ball.



#### Babe Ruth Softball League - Ages 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U & 18U

Since its inception in 1984, Babe Ruth Softball has grown tremendously to become a premier softball program throughout the United States and Canada—and is also the fastest growing division in Babe Ruth League, Inc.

Designed for girls ages 4-18, age divisions offered include: 6 & Under, 8 & Under, 10 & Under, 12 & Under, 14 & Under, 16 & Under and 18 & Under. The primary emphasis of Babe Ruth Softball is on education, skill development, participation for all levels of ability and of course, having fun. A special highlight of Babe Ruth Softball is its annual tournament trail. Tournament teams from each local league are eligible to participate in District competition with winners advancing to the State and Regional levels.

12 & Under and 16 & Under Divisions advance to a World Series.

In the 8 & Under, 10 & Under, 14 & Under, and 18 & Under Divisions, we have a National Invitational Tournament that any Babe Ruth regular season or tournament team is welcome to sign up and participate in.

#### Cal Ripken Baseball Division -Ages 4-12

Keeping baseball fun—especially in the early stages of youth baseball—is a primary concern of Babe Ruth League's Cal Ripken Division, which is comprised of the following levels:

#### Tee-Ball:

Ballplayers ages 4-6 learn hitting and fielding fundamentals in a supportive team environment. Young athletes hit the ball from a batting tee which is height-adjusted for a level swing, batting in order through the line-up for the entire game.

#### **Rookie:**

Designed primarily for ballplayers ages 7-8, this division makes use of a pitching machine to allow for more hittable balls at the plate and more action in the field.

#### Minor:

Recommended for ballplayers ages 9-10. Players build and refine their fundamental skills while beginning to understand game strategy and teamwork. In most regions, participants first experience post-season tournament competition in this level.

#### Major/60:

Currently the most popular level offered, this division is recommended for ballplayers ages 11-12. Features a 46' pitching distance and 60' base paths.

#### Major/70:

Featuring a 50' pitching distance and 70' base paths, this new division is offered as an option to current league format, and still includes a tournament trail from District competition through World Series.

Please Note: The age groupings listed above are recommendations. Local leagues can set their own age groupings for divisions based on their enrollment.





#### **Xtreme Fastpitch - Ages 8-18**

Babe Ruth League is proud to announce the creation of a new, high-performance softball division—Xtreme Fastpitch.

Babe Ruth League, Inc. has always been deeply committed to providing all our participants with the very best educational sports experience possible. This commitment applies to our players who wish to play baseball or softball on a recreational level to those who seek a higher degree of competition to hone their skills, with the goal of continuing play into high school and beyond. In all divisions, Babe Ruth League core values are to be recognized and adhered to, using regulation competitive baseball and softball rules to teach skills, promote mental and physical development, nurture a respect for the rules of the game and reinforce basic ideals of sportsmanship and fair play.

There are no geographical boundaries limiting where the players who sign up for an Xtreme team come from. Participating leagues can sign up a group of players from any geographical make-up and form a team to play other Xtreme teams in special games or tournaments throughout the year.

Xtreme teams are eligible to play at their own facility ... or in local tournaments that might only be a quick drive away ... or farther away anywhere across the country where tournaments are being held! Playing rules will match High School and College playing rules to better prepare players for the next level of competition.

Want to learn more about adding an Xtreme Division to your local league? Call Babe Ruth League Headquarters at 1-800-880-3142.

#### Bambino Buddy-Ball - Ages 5-20

Babe Ruth League, Inc. believes that every child has the right to participate in the games of baseball and softball. We have always encouraged our member leagues to accept all players regardless of their physical or mental ability. The Bambino Buddy-Ball Division was established for organizations who wish to charter a league that encompasses players ages 5-20 who are either physically and/or mentally challenged. This division makes allowance for a "buddy" to help the player swing a bat, round the bases, catch a ball, etc. There are no restrictions to the age of the "buddy." A Bambino Buddy-Ball team may be comprised of players ages 5-19 and sometimes older. The Bambino Buddy-Ball division is designed so that everyone has the opportunity to have fun.

The Bambino Buddy-Ball Division allows our challenged or special needs athletes to develop confidence and positive self-esteem. It allows them to be part of organized sports and assists with physical fitness as well as their social skills. The joy and emotion you experience when a challenged child puts on that first baseball uniform or wears that first cap is like no other. As you can see, the Bambino Buddy-Ball Division is an emotionally rewarding experience for everyone as it also allows the "buddies" to feel good about helping their friends, while at the same time making it a fun and memorable time for all.

Before the Bambino Buddy-Ball Division, our special needs kids were often unable to enjoy the game of baseball. Now, through the assistance of a special buddy, they are able to enjoy the same thrills of batting, hitting and throwing just like the other kids. The Bambino Buddy-Ball Division opens up a whole new world to our challenged kids—not only do they experience the thrill of participating, they also get to experience team play and camaraderie.

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## How to Apply for **NUA Umpire Certification**

### Interested in becoming an umpire?

Babe Ruth League, Inc. established the Baseball and Softball National Umpire Associations to assist the local leagues affiliated with the program to educate men and women on the rules and mechanics of the game and improve the quality of umpiring in their games. It has always been the intent of Babe Ruth League, Inc. to improve the quality of umpiring in youth leagues through innovative teaching, educational programs, and superior educational resources.

Babe Ruth Headquarters continually educates all National Umpire Association members through instructional clinics, videos, and the periodic newsletter. UMPIREGRAM, which includes informative articles and offers valuable tips and advice for the amateur umpire.

Every league president should appoint an Umpire-in-Chief to coordinate and supervise the league's umpires. By having your umpires join the National Umpire Association, you are assured they will have a thorough knowledge of the rules of Babe Ruth League, Inc. and how to apply them on the field.



### **Renew Your Umpire Certification Today!**

Get started by logging onto BabeRuthLeague.org

Renew your certification online! Click on the "UMPIRES" Tab at the top of the new website and then log into your account. Once in your account, simply click "renew" and pay securely online. You'll be done in minutes!

After your Certification is paid, you can print your ID Card and your Certificate. Your name will automatically appear on your State and Regional Commissioners' accounts for tournaments. And your rule book will arrive via US Mail.

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2021 promises to be an exciting season. As we progress through the year, there will be additional tools available to you, such as electronic UmpireGrams and bulletins, online refresher tests and much more.

This is YOUR Association, so please feel free to contact us any time. We welcome your comments and suggestions.





## The Babe Ruth League Brand

The Babe Ruth League, Inc. brand was designed to present a consistent, recognizable image to both honor and emulate the high level of play by the immortal George (Babe) Herman Ruth. The logo consists of four principle elements: the name of the organization in a clean, bold typeface; a baseball with seams to symbolize the sport; a baseball diamond to represent the playing field; and a silhouette of Babe Ruth in the iconic full swing. **These elements are in fixed positions and must never be removed or altered.** 



#### Approved Babe Ruth League Division Logos

You can access the Babe Ruth League Logo Center from your League Portal Account.



**Please Note:** Local Leagues cannot use the above logos for trophies or plaques without special permission from Babe Ruth League Headquarters. Please call us at 1-800-880-3142 if you have any questions or need further clarification.

#### The Babe Ruth League Color Palette

Our color palette emphasizes the energy of Babe Ruth League and its divisions as an organization. By using this color palette consistently over time, the unique combination of colors creates instant association with Babe Ruth League. CMYK values are provided for each color as a baseline for printing on coated paper. Adjust the CMYK values accordingly for printing conditions and paper selections to match the Pantone color as closely as possible. RGB and HEX values are provided for each color as a baseline for web publishing.

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Cal Ripken Gray 1 Process Black 64 C C0/M0/Y0/K64 R121/G122/B125 #797a7d

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**Cal Ripken Gray 4** Process Black 20 C C0/M0/Y0/K20 R209/G211/B212 #d1d3d4

## Which Logo Should I Use?



All Babe Ruth and Cal Ripken logo artwork was prepared for accurate reproduction in any and all applications and circumstances. When going about having a logo reproduced, your vendor (printer, banner-maker, etc.) may request a specific logo format (EPS, PDF, etc.). In addition, below is a general guide to help you know which logo format is the most appropriate for your specific need:

#### **EPS (Encapsulated PostScript)**

EPS is a versatile file format that can be used for many purposes. Babe Ruth League EPS files go a step further and have been created entirely in vector format. What that means is that you may enlarge the logo to whatever size you need, and the edges of the artwork and text will always remain sharp and clean. The words and lines in the logo have also been converted to vector, so your vendor will not need to match the font. Everything is ready to go. This format is your best choice for use on banners, especially.

#### **PDF (Portable Document Format)**

PDF files are viewable and printable on virtually any platform, including Windows®, Mac OS, and mobile platforms such as Android<sup>™</sup>. While PDF files are used mainly to share information, Babe Ruth League PDF's have been created with color separation ability in case your vendor prefers to use these over any other logo format.

#### JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group)

JPEG files are also viewable and printable on many platforms, but the Babe Ruth League JPEGs are made up of pixels, so enlarging them too much will produce rough edges. This format works well with any internal league documents you may need, and can be down-sized for reproduction on your website.

#### **TIFF (Tagged Image File Format)**

TIFF is a file format that is strictly used for bitmap data. TIFF files don't contain text or vector data, and also produce rough edges when enlarged too much. For this reason, Babe Ruth League chooses not to supply TIFF files are part of its logo library. However, if your vendor requests a TIFF format logo, he or she may easily convert an EPS, PDF or JPEG in Photoshop to TIFF format for their needs.



## Babe Ruth League Tournament Trail

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Babe Ruth League, Inc.'s tournament trail is a win-win experience! We offer an exciting and challenging post-season tournament trail for all of our age divisions.

Babe Ruth League, Inc. offers 17 real World Series: Softball 8U, Softball 10U, Softball 12U, Softball 14U, Softball 16U, Softball 18U, Cal Ripken Baseball 8-Year-Old Machine-Pitch, Cal Ripken Baseball 8-Year-Old Player-Pitch, Cal Ripken Baseball 9-Year-Old, Cal Ripken Baseball 10-Year-Old, Cal Ripken Baseball 11-Year-Old Major/70, Cal Ripken Baseball Major/60, Cal Ripken Baseball Major/70, 13-Year-Old Baseball, 14-Year-Old Baseball, 13-15 Baseball and 16-18 Baseball.

What is a Babe Ruth League World Series? It is a World Series where you have to earn your way in to play.

Players first participate in a full local league schedule. At the end of the season, the league selects its best fifteen (or eighteen) players to its tournament team. The tournament trail starts with District competition, with the winner going to the State tournament. The State champion then goes to the Regional tournament, and the Regional champion earns the honor of advancing to the World Series.

#### **Xtreme Fastpitch Tournament Trails**

Rostered players are eligible to play in tournament trails for both Babe Ruth Softball and Xtreme Fastpitch tournaments. Teams enter tournaments from September 1st through the National Championship dates to qualify for the National Championship. There will be one National Championship for each of the 4 age groups: X8, X10, X12 and X14.

There is a participation fee to play in official Babe Ruth tournament-trail tournaments: \$40 per team in most age levels. We count on our local leagues to play host to all levels of tournament play, including the World Series. By hosting a tournament, the local league benefits in numerous ways: by bringing in revenue, by uniting their community and by competing in the tournament as the "host team."

Babe Ruth League, Inc. is about the kids and in making dreams come true. For some kids, the hours spent on the baseball or softball diamond participating in local league or tournament play will be one of the most memorable experiences they ever have. That is why we work very hard to provide them with a playing experience second to none!







## Babe Ruth League Chain of Command

#### The Local League Level

The foundation of the Babe Ruth program is the local league level. Each Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Baseball, and Babe Ruth Softball league is organized within a community by a group of select people, who usually serve as a temporary Board until regular elections of officers can be held. State Commissioners help local leagues establish geographical boundaries—which are protected by Babe Ruth League, Inc.—from which to draw their players.

Babe Ruth local leagues operate with the spirit of democracy and with much autonomy. In addition, Babe Ruth League, Inc. provides materials to help leagues establish their own Constitution and By-Laws and plan meetings.

All league officers, managers, coaches, umpires and miscellaneous personnel should be volunteers from within the community and should be individuals who care about teaching the youth of their community the ideals of sportsmanship, fair play, respect for self and others and high morality.

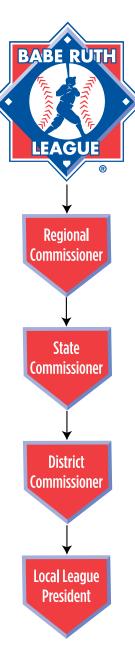
#### **The District Level**

A District is an established area within a state that can consist of between five to ten leagues. A District Commissioner is a volunteer who operates the Babe Ruth program within each district according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations, State's Constitution and By-Laws and its policies.

The District Commissioner assists the local leagues whenever needed. He/she holds several meetings per year to keep his/her leagues updated on the special programs as well as possible policy and rule changes. The District Commissioner serves as the local league's liaison with the State Commissioner.

#### The State Level

The District Commissioner reports to the State Commissioner. Depending on its size and the population of its leagues, a state organization may consist of an entire state or a portion of a state. State Commissioners are volunteers who operate the Babe Ruth program within each state organization according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations as well as any applicable State-level by-laws and policies.



The State Commissioner is responsible for:

- Assisting local league officials when needed or requested by District Commissioners.
- Holding elections for District Commissioners elected by the local leagues within the respective district.
- Holding several meetings per year, including an election meeting where each District Commissioner votes for the State Commissioner; a meeting devoted to league eligibility for tournament play, as well as a complete review of all Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations for local league and tournament play; and meetings to review the special programs offered by Babe Ruth International Headquarters to address any District concerns and review possible policy and rule changes.
- Operating State Tournaments and working through his/her District Commissioners to make certain all leagues are eligible for tournament play.
- Presenting to the Regional Commissioner (the next level) for review all District concerns within his/her state in order that the state's recommendations are presented properly to Babe Ruth International Headquarters.

#### **The Regional Level**

The State Commissioner reports to the Regional Commissioner, of which there are eight. A regional organization consists of several states. A Regional Commissioner operates the Babe Ruth program within each region according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations and the program's policies and procedures. The Regional Commissioner is responsible for:

- Assisting local league officials when needed or requested by District or State Commissioners.
- Holding one or two workshops per year where the operations of the region and the Babe Ruth program are reviewed thoroughly.
- Operating and administering the Regional Tournaments in conjunction with his/her Assistant Regional Commissioners.
- Presenting to Babe Ruth International Headquarters (the next level) for review any regional concerns and subsequent action.

#### **International Headquarters**

Elected by the Board of Directors is the President/CEO of Babe Ruth League, Inc. who leads the program's operation and administration. Full-time staff members (including the President/CEO) work with the program's volunteer network of over one million individuals to provide the very best educational, sports experience possible for participants.

The International Headquarters for the administration of Babe Ruth League, Inc. is located in Mercer County, New Jersey.

#### **The Board of Directors**

At the top of the Chain of Command is the Babe Ruth League International Board of Directors, including the President/CEO who directs the affairs and policies of Babe Ruth League, Inc. The eight Regional Commissioners serve as Board Members, along with eight "at-large" members.



For more information on Babe Ruth League, contact our International Headquarters at 1-800-880-3142.



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Cal Ripken Minor	\$	15	\$ 33	\$ 45	\$ 66
Cal Ripken Rookie	\$	15	\$ 33	\$ 45	\$ 66
Cal Ripken T-Ball	\$	15	\$ 33	\$ 45	\$ 66
13-15	\$	20	\$ 121	\$ 111	\$ 143
13-Prep	\$	20	\$ 70	\$ 111	\$ 143
16-18	\$	25	\$ 209	\$ 111	\$ 143
16-Prep	\$	25	\$ 209	\$ 111	\$ 143
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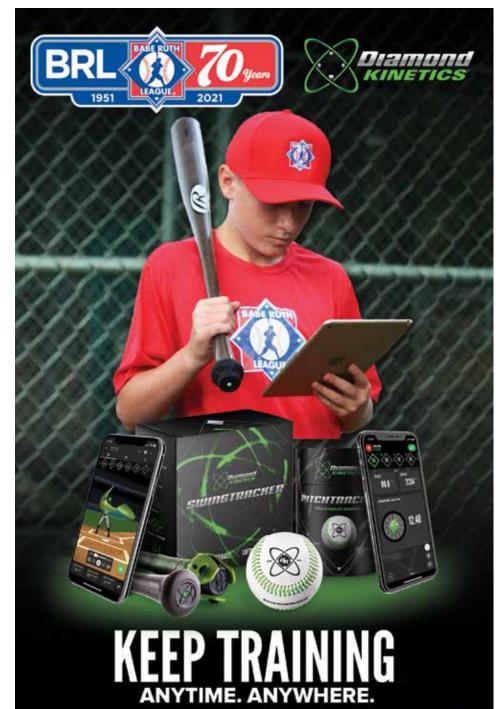
## Now You Have a Team Off the Field as Well.

#### We know you could you use a helping hand running your league.

That's why we've set up our Babe Ruth League Designated Helpers program. It's a new, exclusive "concierge" service to help new and existing league Presidents through our chartering process, conducting various administrative tasks, ushering in our gold-standard NCSI Background Check and Abuse Prevention Training, and more. All to help create a more pleasant and efficient overall Babe Ruth League experience.

Your DH is looking forward to working with you so keep an eye out for their emails, or call **800-880-3142** or visit **www.baberuthleague.org/DH** for more information.





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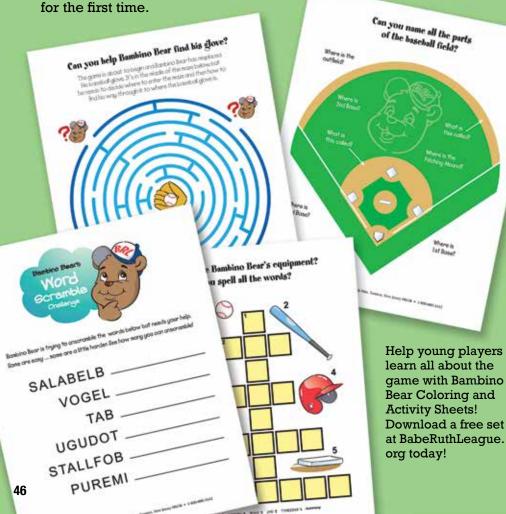


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# Meet Bambino Bear!

Meet "Bambino Bear" ... the Official Mascot of Babe Ruth League. Bambino Bear has arrived to help promote the spirit and tradition of Babe Ruth League and its players, coaches and volunteers. Bambino is a very versatile bear and will be introducing new games and activities to our players throughout the season. He will also be on hand at times to throw out the first pitch, teach some drills and just hang out at the field and watch a few games. Bambino Bear wants to help represent Babe Ruth League in a fun and positive manner, and is asking everyone to help him teach that to all players ... especially our very young players who are experiencing Babe Ruth League Baseball and Softball

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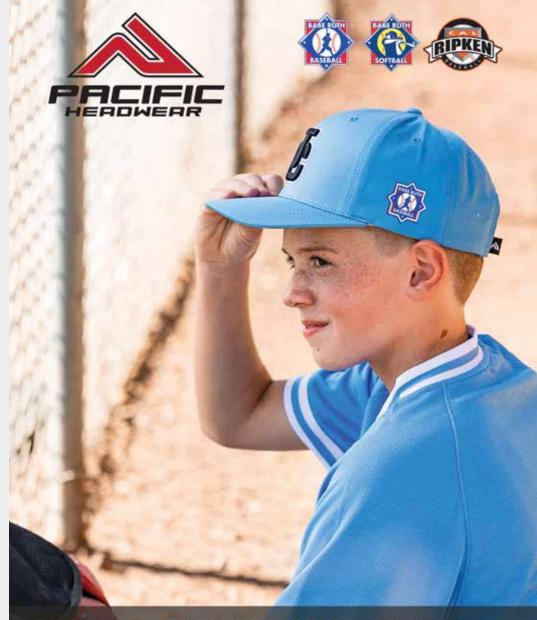






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# Coaching Education Program

There is no one single action that can have more of a positive impact on our players than improving the quality and knowledge of our managers and coaches. It is a fact that managers and coaches are the ones who spend the most time interacting with our participants and the ones who can make a child's experience in youth sports fun and memorable. Therefore, it is very important for youth coaches to be properly trained to focus more on the child's baseball and softball experience and less on winning games.

Babe Ruth League's Coaching Certification Program consists of the coaching certification online courses "Coaching Youth Baseball" and "Coaching Youth Softball." Babe Ruth League, Inc. exclusively endorses these online courses, which are being provided by the American Sport Education Program.

Coaches who complete the course with a score of 80% or better will receive the Babe Ruth League Coaching Certification Program certification for baseball or softball and will be able to print a certificate of completion and wallet card from the website.



### Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the Babe Ruth League Coaching Education Program

What is the Babe Ruth League Coaching Education Program requirement? Since 2008, the requirement has been that all baseball and softball coaches affiliated with either organization must become certified.

What are the online courses being offered through ASEP? *Coaching Youth Baseball:* for Babe Ruth League Baseball Coaches *Coaching Youth Softball:* for Babe Ruth League Softball Coaches

#### How much does the course cost?

The courses are \$19.95 each for Level I, and \$24.95 for Level II. The certification will be good for life.

#### How do I purchase the course?

Visit www.BabeRuthCoaching.org, click on "For coaches" link under "Quick Clicks" section of the home page, and follow the prompts. You will need a Visa or Mastercard credit or debit card to make the purchase through the website.

#### What is the format of the course?

The courses are PDF-based courses, meaning course takers do not receive any ancillary course materials (no book, CD, or video) in the mail. All course content is delivered electronically through the course.

## How long does the course take to complete?

Coaches should expect to spend two to three hours going through the online course. Careful reading of the PDF book and other materials found within the course will require additional time (well spent!). How long is the certification valid? By taking the ASEP course, coaches are certified for life.

Can someone not affiliated with Babe Ruth League take the course? Yes, but we would recommend the coach consult his or her organization to ensure that the Babe Ruth League version will satisfy the coaching education requirements of the non-affiliated organization. If a person is taking the course for his or her own professional development and not to satisfy a requirement, the coach would simply select "Other" from the drop-down menu during the registration process.

## Will coaches receive a certificate of course completion?

Coaches will have the ability to print a certificate of completion and wallet card directly from the site. However, we will not be mailing certificates.

## Will there be a National Coaches Registry for the site?

Yes, there will be a National Coaches Registry, but it will not be open to the public. Only administrators will have access to the registry to run reports for their individual leagues.

## What are the technical requirements for viewing the course?

Go to www.BabeRuthCoaching.org/ techSupport.cfm for a detailed listing of technical requirements.

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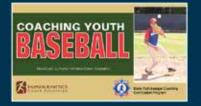
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"At Babe Ruth League Inc., we feel there is no one single action that can have more of a positive impact on our players than improving the quality and knowledge of our managers and coaches. Every manager and coach has an obligation to provide players with the best instruction and leadership possible. This is the driving force behind Babe Ruth League's partnership with Human Kinetics and our commitment to providing the best possible training for Babe Ruth League coaches."

Steven Tellefsen, President/CEO Babe Ruth League Inc.





Coaching Youth Baseball and Coaching Youth Softball online courses will help you manage your team with confidence and provide the best possible sport experience for your players. Through these courses, you will learn how to do the following:

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- Communicate with players, officials, other coaches, and parents
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- Minimize the risk of injury, establish a safe playing environment, and administer basic first aid
- · Plan and conduct efficient practices
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## How to Assemble Your Tournament Credentials

#### Step 1

Access your account at BabeRuthLeague.org. Your league president or appointed officer will be able to help you with gaining access to your account.



#### Step 2

Start your Credentials book by using a 1/2" ring binder that you can find in an office supply store.

#### Step 3

Place clear sheet protectors for the documents inside the binder.

#### Step 4

Insert your league's LOE (Letter of Eligibility). This is approved by your State Commissioner

and available once approved for printing from your League Portal. If you don't have the option to print the LOE, contact your State Commissioner. Commissioners will not be able to



approve LOE's until after June 5th of each year. See LOE section for step-by-step instructions on obtaining your LOE.

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Step 5

Insert a copy of your tournament team roster in the binder. If you have any Add/Drops that are made on your tournament roster after June 30th, please be sure to put the revised

approved roster in front, keeping the original roster in the binder. **Quick Note:** Only Add/ Drop that are with a letter from Headquarters giving specific approval are valid. Also, remember that when you drop a player you can only add one player. Your roster must stay the same size throughout the tournament trail. You must have an official roster from your league's Sports Sign-Up Play Roster System with Babe Ruth League.

#### Step 6

Insert a copy of your league's Certificate of Insurance for Accident and Liability Insurance. If you have Babe Ruth insurance and your league took both Accident and Liability coverage with Babe Ruth, they will both appear together on the certificate form.



Insert Consent for Treatment forms. You can print out Treatment Forms from the Babe Ruth Website!

Step 7

Quick Note: Be sure to have 1 Consent form for each player on the roster. The Consent for Treatment form can be found under Tournaments & World Series>Tournament Credentials at BabeRuthLeague.org.



#### Step 8

Place a printed copy of your team photo, in uniform, in your binder. Please remember that this photo may also be used for program books and other publications as you advance in the tournament trail. Make sure to have a good photo taken. **Quick Note:** You will be uploading a photo when you do your rosters online as well. Remember only players and coaches that are on the official tournament roster are permitted in the photo.

Place Certificates of Certification for each manager and coach that has successfully completed the Coaches Certification Program into your binder.

#### Quick Note: Visit

Step 9

www.baberuthcoaching.org for information on how you can enroll in this superb training program.

#### Step 10

*New for 2021:* Managers and coaches are also required to submit a Certificate of Completion for Abuse Prevention Training.

#### Step 11 - Check List

- Did I order Official Emblems or the Cap Emblem option for my players and coaches?
- Do I want to order District, State or Regional Champion and Runner-Up Pins?
- Does my team have the schedule for games as well as the contact numbers for the host league and tournament director?
- Do my team managers and coaches have rule books?



Questions? Contact Babe Ruth League Headquarters at 1-800-880-3142.

The Local League President will certify upon submission the following:

- All information (contact numbers, spelling of names, etc.) is correct.
- Player birthdays have been certified and are correct.
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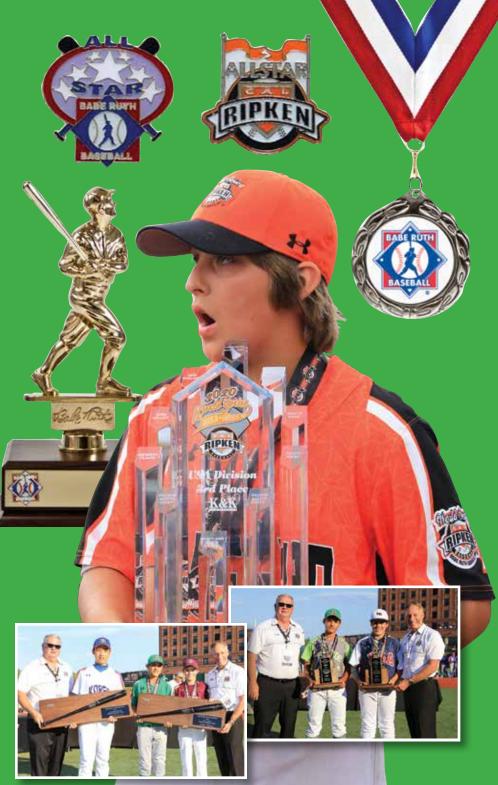
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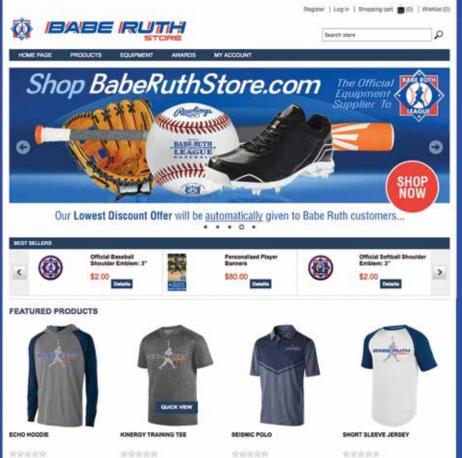
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## World Series Dates & Locations



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