



Challenger 2012

Bridgewater Community Little League

RESPONSIBILITIES OF BUDDIES DURING PRESEASON & SPECIAL GAMES

NEW BUDDY TRAINING Sun., April 1, 7:00-8:15 PM

Bridgewater Church of the Brethren*

A training session for NEW buddies will be held Sunday, April 1, 7:00-8:15 pm, at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. The focus of the training will be on ways of assisting and protecting athletes during specific game situations. All buddies are welcome, but attendance is especially critical for volunteers who will be serving as buddies for the first time. If you are a new buddy and cannot attend the training, please notify the Martins (879-2380) or the Hutchinsons (828-3502) in advance.

SEASON KICKOFF EVENT Wed., April 4, 6:00 PM

Green Valley Auction Building, Mount Crawford*

All buddies are urged to join the athletes and their families for this special season kickoff event. We will enjoy a meal together, introduce the 2012 Challenger athletes and buddies, and distribute uniforms. The evening will present an important opportunity for you to meet your athlete and his or her family. And...it is an evening that is fun for everyone. You don't want to miss it!

SENIOR DIVISION PRACTICE Monday, April 9, 6:30-8:00 PM

Oakdale Park*, Field 2 or Mountain View Elementary School Gym

The senior division teams will practice at Oakdale, weather permitting. If it is too cold to be outside, we will practice at Mountain View Elementary School gym (check the web site for a location announcement if the weather is questionable). Several stations will be available for the Challenger athletes to practice throwing, catching, running the bases, and hitting from a tee. We will conclude the evening with a short practice game.

JUNIOR DIVISION PRACTICE Wednesday, April 11, 6:30-8:00 PM

Oakdale Park*, Field 2 or Mountain View Elementary School Gym

The junior division teams will practice at Oakdale, weather permitting. If it is too cold to be outside, we will practice at Mountain View Elementary School gym (check the web site for a location announcement if the weather is questionable). Several stations will be available for the Challenger athletes to practice throwing, catching, running the bases, and hitting from a tee. We will conclude the evening with a short practice game.

OPENING NIGHT Wednesday, April 18

Oakdale Park*, Field 2

6:00 PM Stars vs Threshers 7:00 PM Thunder vs Volcanoes

Please plan to arrive 15 minutes prior to game time. The athletes will be introduced during a brief ceremony as they will before each regular season game. If your athlete needs your company or assistance, it is fine for you to go to the baseline during introductions.

GAMES AT JMU STADIUM* Wednesday, May 2

Rain date - Thursday, May 3

6:00 PM Stars vs Threshers 7:00 PM Thunder vs Volcanoes

Games on May 2 will be played at JMU's new baseball stadium (at the site of the former Memorial Stadium on South High Street). Junior Division buddies will work with their athletes as usual. Members of the Dukes team will serve as buddies for the Senior Division game. Senior buddies are welcome to join families in the stands for the games to cheer for your athlete.

* Directions to these locations are available at <http://coe.jmu.edu/hutchisi/Directions.htm>