

WPMC 2021 SUMMER BALL SIGNUP BASEBALL — SOFTBALL — T-BALL

Games June 1 - July 24, 2021

January - March 2021

DEAR BASEBALL, SOFTBALL AND T-BALL PLAYERS AND PARENTS,

After an unprecedented year, we are cautiously optimistic heading into 2021. The WPMC stopped its youth recreation program in early March 2020 because of the pandemic. We are now looking forward to the 2021 Summer Ball and 2021 Spring Soccer programs that we have operated for thousands of boys and girls over the past eight decades. As more and more people are receiving their vaccines and as more and more schools will be returning to full operation, the recreational sports of the WPMC will move forward. At the moment we are looking at starting our programs in late April/early May. We will be implementing additional safety measures for the 2021 season. The wellness, safety and health of our participants, parents and grandparents will be our most important priority.

The 2021 Summer Ball Program is open to all youths in the Greater Battle Creek area -- from those eligible to enter Kindergarten in September 2021 through those presently in 6th Grade. Practices will begin in late April for leagues from Slow Pitch to Pony (Smurf leagues start play in mid-May). Games begin Tuesday, June 1 and last through July 24. Games are played during the week (6 P.M.) on the nine ball diamonds at the Wattles Park Elementary School.

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BOYS' LEAGUES

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SMURF LEAGUE IS COED* (Grades K/PreK)*

SLOW PITCH (Grades 1-2)

PEE WEE BASEBALL (Grades 3-4) PONY SOFTBALL (Grades 4-6)

PONY BASEBALL (Grades 5-6)

* for those currently in Kindergarten and those eligible for Kindergarten in September 2021

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GIRLS' LEAGUES

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SMURF LEAGUE IS COED* (Grades K/PreK)*

SLOW PITCH (Grades 1-3)

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A feature of our ball program is the use of pitching machines in the Pee Wee and Pony Leagues. For the past 30 years these machines have proven to be completely safe, never walked or hit a batter, threw strikes 90% of the time, never developed a sore arm and never had to visit an orthopedic surgeon! Games are completed much faster and the machines have met with tremendous approval.

In all of our programs the WPMC believes that the players are there for the enjoyment and recreation that come with team sports. All youngsters play at least three innings of every ballgame and the batting order allows everyone to bat in order. For instance, if you have 12 players, then your batting order is 12 players, not 9 players with an occasional pinch hitter. Every youngster plays their fair share.

The WPMC also provides well-drained playing fields, a concession stand, grilled hamburgers, cheeseburgers and hot dogs, bleachers at all diamonds, portable bathrooms, separate boys' and girls' leagues, and a family atmosphere that allows for a good and positive learning experience. The WPMC also sponsors Spring Soccer and this makes it possible for a player to participate in both sports. Spring Soccer is played on Saturdays, while the Summer Ball program is held during the week.

Additional signup forms are available through the Wattles Park Men's Club's Web Site at www.wpmc.net
The signup form and a check or money order (made out to "WPMC") for \$60 can be mailed to:

WPMC, c/o Gary Lincoln
13166 Eleven Mile Road
Ceresco, Michigan 49033

QUESTIONS ?????
wpmc49@aol.com OR (269) 979-4336

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NAME _____

PHONE (primary) _(269) _____ (secondary) (269) _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP CODE 490 _____

CIRCLE: MALE FEMALE BIRTHDATE _____
MONTH DAY YEAR

CIRCLE YOUR PRESENT GRADE: PRE-K* K 1 2 3 4 5 6

* Pre-K means eligible for K in Sept. 2021

SCHOOL THAT YOU ATTEND _____

PARENTS' / GUARDIANS' NAMES _____
PLEASE PRINT NAMES

email address _____

PLEASE CHECK:

_____ Enclosed is my check or money order for \$60.

_____ PLAYERS: CHECK HERE IF INTERESTED IN BEING AN UMPIRE
(\$10.00 PER GAME AND MINIMUM 6th GRADE)

PARENTS' CHECK LIST:

_____ MANAGER (for my child's team)

_____ ASSISTANT (for my child's team)

_____ CONCESSION WORKER (one time only)

_____ MY BUSINESS WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR
MY CHILD'S TEAM - \$60.00 (We'll bill your business)

_____ MEDICAL PERSONNEL - Although rarely needed, it's nice to know that there's someone in the stands that might be able to help if an injury occurs. If you identify yourself we'll know that you might be there during the duration of your child's game. If an emergency occurs, we'll be able to contact you. If you are trained for this category, please circle your profession: doctor, nurse, police officer, fire fighter, e.m.t., or list any other category. Thanks for volunteering.

TO SIGNUP PLEASE MAIL THIS FORM TO:

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