

MUSTANG BASEBALL COCA COLA BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

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Saturday, June 12th & Sunday, June 13th

1. **Entries will be accepted in three divisions:**

- 7-8 year old division
 - 9-10 year division
 - 11-12 year old division
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- Age will be determined as of May 1st, 2010.
 - No All Star Teams.
 - There must be at least four teams before a division will be held.
 - We reserve the right to combine divisions if necessary. First come-first served.

2. **Competition Format:** Each team is guaranteed three games. Tournament format will be dependent upon the number of teams entered.

3. **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is \$100.00 per team. Refund Policy: Tournament fees are non-refundable.

There will be no refunds to entry fees except in the following instances:

- Entries are received after the slated entry deadline.
- Insufficient teams registered.
- No refunds will be granted because a team failed to compete.

The fee & team roster with player's names and numbers must accompany the entry form. The waiver/release with Parent signatures must be given to the tournament manager before the first game played.

4. **Mail Entry fee & roster to:**

Mustang Baseball
P.O. Box 448
Dickinson, ND 58601

5. **Entry Deadline:** June 7th, 2010. Team entries after the June deadline will not be guaranteed entrance into the Tournament. Sign up as soon as possible.

6. **Site:** Games will be played at the Mustang Baseball Complex located on State Avenue

7. **Tournament Rules:** Games are governed by Cal Ripken Baseball rules. Matching uniforms with a number are recommended, but not required. Special tournament rules:

- A. Teams may pick up players to complete their roster. A complete roster is 11 players for 7/8, 10 players for 9/10 divisions and 9 players for the 11/12 division. A team cannot pick up additional players if they have a complete roster (ie. 11, 10 or 9 players depending on age group). A team can have more players than the number constituting a complete roster but none of them can be pickup players.
- B. No All Star teams. A team must have 7 players from the original league roster to be considered a non-All Star team.

- C. All players on a team's roster should bat but a team can only play the following number of players in the field: 7/8 division – 11 players; 9/10 division – 10 players; 11/12 division – 9 players. All divisions must play 6 infielders with the balance in the outfield.
 - D. Pickup players can come from the same age division or a younger division as long as that player's league team is not in the tournament. A player can only play on 1 team in the tournament (ie. cannot play on both a 9/10 team and an 11/12 team).
 - E. 9/10 and 11/12 Division: Pickup players cannot pitch. Pitching is limited to 5 innings in 2 consecutive games on a rolling basis. (ie. 2 innings Game 1, 3 innings Game 2, 2 innings Game 3, etc.) There are no balks.
 - F. 7/8 Division: Pitching is to be overhand and done by the coach for the team at bat. The coach pitching is the umpire for these games. Batters either hit the ball or strike out swinging. There are no pitched strike outs or walks on balls. No walks if hit by a pitch. One base per overthrow. There is no stealing on a passed ball.
 - G. Players must slide if there is a play being made at home plate. Failure to slide results in runner being called out. If a play is being made at home the current batter must get out of the batters box and not interfere with the defensive player. Interference with the defensive player by the batter when a play is being made at home results in the runner being called out. A runner who intentionally runs into a defensive player at home will be called out. These rules are in effect for the safety of the players.
 - H. Base runners may not leave the base until the ball reaches the batter. Violation by one runner shall affect all runners. Penalty- Ball is not dead. After play is completed runners must return back as far as they can go. No runs may score. Any outs made during the play stand.
 - I. Games are 5 innings long unless tied at the end of 5 and it goes to extra innings. There are no time limits. Keep the games moving by having players hustle in and out every inning; have catcher ready to go by using a courtesy running if there are 2 outs. 15 run lead after 3 innings (home team has batted) and the game is over. 10 run lead after 4 innings (home team has batted) and the game is over.
 - J. Home team is decided by coin flip for every game throughout tournament.
 - K. Girls softball teams are permitted to play in the tournament but all of the foregoing rules apply, ie. no All Star teams, overhand pitching, pickup players, etc.
 - L. All players and coaches must exhibit sportsmanlike conduct at all times. Remember the umpires are not professionals. Let them make the calls. Any issues should be discussed discreetly with the umpire and both coaches in a respectful manner.
8. **Rewards of competition:** Along with the opportunity to participate and compete, entrants vie for awards for each division championship.
9. **In case of inclement weather:** The tournament is weather dependent. Competition will be conducted unless the Mustang Baseball Club determines the Weather to be potentially dangerous. Due to logistics, there are no rain dates and no refunds will be distributed.
10. **Conduct:** Mustang Baseball Club reserves the right to disqualify any participant (player or coach) from competition for the following reasons:
- Improper use of alcohol/drugs
 - Destruction of property
 - Unsportsmanlike conduct or behavior
 - Any thrown equipment will result in immediate ejection of that ballplayer for the remainder of the game.
 - It is a judgment call by the official.

Coaches/Managers designated on the team entry form must check in at the tournament headquarters **30 minutes** before the scheduled game time.

Players & coaches should be present 30 minutes before game time. After the first game is played, we may start games early if we are running ahead of schedule.

Players and coaches will be given free passes for the tournament.

