TEAM PARENT TASK LIST 2024

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JOB	WHAT TO DO	HELPFUL HINTS
Team Website (Game changer, band, etc)	This is not required but most teams create some sort of home-base to keep track of rosters, calendars, snacks, etc. Team Snap and Band are both options, there are others. Game Changer is great for AAA/Majors as it has standings and live play be play options but not great for sign ups. TeamSnap and Band are great for younger teams.	 Get one! The league has created Game Changer accounts for all teams. But mainly for AAA-Juniors and Majors/Minor softball for standing and scorekeeping. Younger teams who don't keep score can use other apps that work better for sign ups.
Uniforms Distribution	Your manager may need help passing these out to the team. Any parent can jump in, but it is good to have another pair of hands. Shirts and hats are provided by the league; families buy socks, a belt, pants, and cleats on their own. Our Uniforms coordinator will be in contact with managers for distribution.	 Bring a Sharpie! Label players' names inside of hats right when you pass them out. There is a store in midtown, called Lids, that will embroider your players name in their hat for \$5.
Opening Day March 15th	What time: 7-7:30 teams begin to assemble 7:30 teams should be present 8:00 parade begins 8:45 Opening Ceremony at Dooley Field 11am Games Begin, for almost all teams, at Dooley Field and in Land Park field locations	 Host a decorating night - maybe during practice or if you or another parent can host an evening at someone's house where parents can work on decorations, balloons, etc. while the kids get together either during practice or other fun. Ask parents to bring real food (not all



Where to start:

Staging & Gathering for parade: along 12th Ave, a map will be emailed. Look for picnic areas labeled GA20 and GA21. This would be good to send to new families.

What you need:

Each team secures a pickup truck from a parent or grandparent on the team. The truck and driver should arrive at 7am. The truck is decorated. Some teams do this the night before, most do it while they gather from 7-7:30. Common things people use: banners with team name, streamers, balloons, flags, noisemakers, anything to show team colors and spirit. Some are wonderfully creative and fabulous, others are simpler, they are all fun. Players ride in the back of the truck with a few adults to help supervise (all players must be seated the entire time). Police have the city streets closed to traffic and the parade route is very short and speed is very slow. Trucks arrive at Dooley Field to drop off players. Players and coaches then assemble for Opening Ceremonies where all teams are introduced for the new season. All players should be in full uniform but NOT cleats. If you have never seen Opening Day check out our Facebook page.

What about rain:

Every year we watch the forecast closely. If there are light showers or on/off rain forecast, the day will proceed. We will be in contact with all league families, but it would take extreme weather conditions to cancel. sugar donuts). Fresh fruit, granola bars, juice boxes help keep kids fueled for a busy morning and many show up without eating an early breakfast. Coffee for adults is nice too. Some teams even bring a pop-up table and make a little station for their families to gather.

- Need balloons? Order from Raleys well in advance for early AM pickup on Saturday.
- See Discount Flyer for Team Banner or Individual Pendants. Order by March 5th and a Board Member will pick up orders and do a local porch pick up.
- Want your donut orders taken care of for you? Order by March 9th and the donuts will be delivered tonthe parade set up area. Donuts need to be picked up at 7am. Order at <u>bit.ly/LPPLLDonutOrder</u>

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Snack Schedule	 T-ball, Rookie, AA, Softball: you will probably want a snack rotation, where each game is covered by a family to provide a healthy snack. You will have some games played at Dooley Field. Snack is special and different there, read AAA & Majors notes below. AAA & Majors: almost all teams choose to participate in the snack shack ticket offer. The parent who is responsible for snacks on that day purchases tickets at the window before the last inning. Tickets cost \$2 a ticket and have a \$4 cash value that can be used to purchase food except candy. Some teams assign parents to handle this game by game. Some teams collect all the cash at once and buy tickets in advance. In 30 years, they will never remember the scores, they will remember the snack shack lunches and dinners with teammates. No Snack SHack for Juniors. 	 Ask now at the start of the season about food allergies among your players. Make sure all snack providers are aware. You can build the snack schedule one of two ways - by sign up or by assigning. Either have families pick a day for the games scheduled or make assignments and share it out with the team (pick some order such as alphabetical). Minimum 2 adults need to work the Snack Shack and up to 4 approved teen subs "hired" \$50 per shift. If your team needs to hire teen subs, a Shift Leader needs to be the first hired.
Rotating Dug Out Duty TBall-AA	It is recommended to have a rotating schedule of drug out help for the younger teams. This allows the coaches to focus on the players on the forks or at bat. Dug out parents will help the players know who's up to bat, on deck or "in the hole". Also helps the players keep their gear organized, focused on the game, motivating the fellow players and know what passion they are playing in the next inning. Great help for the coaches!	 Recommended to add this to the snack sign up (I would suggest a Dug Out/Snack Sign up as 1 slot).

Snack Shack Crew Shifts	One of the most important duties: All teams are assigned to work 2 shifts at the snack shack at Dooley Field during the season. Tee Ball-AA are only required to staff 1 shift where AAA-Majors have 2 shifts. A crew is 6 people, so for a team of 12 (roughly), half your families will work on one shift one date, the other will work the other shift, second date. If you have more than 12 on your team, it is nice to excuse the manager's family from your list, as they give unseen hours beyond everyone else. Snack Shack rotation will be sent directly to you, directly to your manager, and be	 Do not give your team families the option of which shift they want to work Do not send out a "sign up" list. Usually runs more efficiently for the team parent to assign the shifts among all families on the team. If it doesn't work for them, they have two choices: hire a teen sub or swap with another family o the team.
	on our website as a go-to resource. For teams at all ages, it can be actually very fun and a great way to mix and get to know other parents on your team. Jobs are: Window, Food prep, Grill and Fryer. There will be many instructions on site and a Teen Sub Shift Leader if hired.	 Include in your donations towards Pancake breakfast raffle and coaches gifts, \$50 towards a shift leader for your snack shack shift. They are invaluable.
	We highly recommend hiring a shift leader. There are 6 shift leaders who are experienced and can help operations run smoothly. If a person cannot work a shift, they have an option to hire a teen sub. The team must have hired a shift leader BEFORE moving into the master teen sub list. We provide a list of pre approved teenagers that work shifts. The parent makes the calls and arranges this and leaves cash payment in advance. 4 teens are allowed on your crew. So if parents have a schedule conflict they will need to hire a sub. Each shift is \$50 payment for a sub. There needs to be at least 2 adults to work the Grill and Fryer. What if a parent still can't make it? They can send another adult in their place (a friend, grandparent, etc. over 18). Parents can swap with other parents on your team if the second date works for them.	 link to Shift Leaders and Master Teen sub list https://bit.ly/LPPLLTeenSub Keep track of who hired a sub and who is working. If there is a shift leader highlighter green under the date your team is scheduled to work, that means someone from your team has hire a shift leader. You can then hire other team leaders or move to the Approved teen subs (2nd Tab) an give new teen subs some
	These shifts do not count toward the \$125 volunteer fee. These are hours every league family is expected to serve. Bottom line: you must have a crew of 6 on time, for each of your assigned snack shack dates at Dooley Field. Failure to do so means the Snack Shack may be closed for all kids and families because your team did not staff it adequately. There will also be consequences to your team if the Snack Shack shift is not fulfilled.	experience. You do not need to move top to bottom. Hire anyone you want from the approved list.

Picture Day Sunday April 6th	You will receive information soon with your assigned time slot. You distribute order forms in advance. You do not need to handle money or anything other than communicating your time. Pictures are at Dooley Field. Picture Day Coordinator will be in touch with you AFTER also to distribute photo packages.	 Tell your families the exact photo time plus a 10-15 minute window to assemble and arrive on time. Parking on this day is very tight.
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Challenger Opening Day- Dooley Field March 16th Arrive at 1100a Game starts at 1200p	 Challenger is the Little League division for youth with physical and developmental disabilities. LPP is part of Little League District 7 and District 7 Challenger teams play on Sundays hosted at different leagues in our district. This year District 7 Opening Day will kick off on March 16th with LPPLL at Dooley field. Encourage your families to come watch this game. This is the most important game played at Dooley field every year! We also need buddies. Buddies must be 10 years old and up and can be LPP alumni too. We need snack shack volunteers as well from 11:30am to 4pm. Keys give the families and players and total Dooley experience. 	 To volunteer as a buddy email <u>Admin@lppll.com</u> To volunteer in the Snack shack, sign up at <u>bit.ly/LPPLLVOLUNTEER</u>
Dine Out Fundraising Dates	Get the team together adn support the League with Dine Out nights. -Panda Express; Feb 22nd all day -Round Table Pizza- Feb 27th 5p-9p -Panda Express: March 24th All Day - Panda Express: April 25th All Day -Chipolte: April 9th 5p-9p	

Movie on the Mound Saturday, May 31st 6pm	Enjoy a free family event where we now blow up a 20ft screen and watch a movie in the outfield of Dooley 2. We usually have a food truck for dinner and the snack shack will be open for concessions.	We will need help promoting this event with your team. Also, a fun way to get volunteers hours @ <u>bit.ly/LPPLLVOLUNTEER</u>
Pancake Breakfast Date Saturday, May 17th 8am	Large community fundraiser, held at Dooley Field. We ask each team to contribute a Raffle Basket which can be themed. \$50 minimum value. You may deliver the basket to the Snack Shack either Friday evening or Saturday Morning of the event. The basket should be labeled with the donating team and value.	 Looking for jobs to hand-off? Raffle Basket is a great job to delegate to another person or pair on your team. Theme ideas: baseball gear, movie night, outdoor fun, etc.
SF Giants Llttle Leage Day- May 18th	Battle of the Bay; Giants vs the A's Tickets will be on sale Opening Day. More info to come	
Rivercats Little League Day Friday May 2 or Sat May 3rd.		
Hit-A-Thon April 13th	More info to come so check your emails.	
Team Party End of Season	Not required, but most teams choose to do something to honor the hard work of the players and thank the coaches. Some teams have very simple gatherings (cupcakes & watermelon in the shade), other teams have big barbecues and pool parties. Trophies and awards are entirely up to you. The league does not provide or order anything. Unofficially, older teams tend to move away from "participation trophies" though they are still popular in the younger ages. We do have an arrangement with <u>Wilson</u> <u>Trophy</u> that provides free delivery.	 AAA and Majors usually stay from participation trophies and it for tee shirts, water bottle, etc.