

## All Stars Information

**Players must submit an All Stars Intent Form regardless of whether they want to participate or not. The player intent form can be found on our website listed under online forms or just click the following link to get redirected to the page [Player Inent](#)**

### **1. What is the All Stars Tournament?**

Tournament play is defined as games conducted under approved district and higher level brackets to determine Regional winners for participation in the Little League World Series. All leagues which hold participating charters are eligible to compete and by acceptance of Regulations are required to continue until defeated. Major League, Junior League, Senior League, Big League, and 9-10 Year Old Division Softball Tournaments are authorized. Each team may have up to 14 players, one manager and 2 coaches. **IMPORTANT:** The must play rules for tournament play are not the same as regular season. They are 1 at bat OR 3 consecutive defensive outs for 9/10s, Majors (11/12s) and Juniors (13/14s). There is no must play rule for Seniors (14, 15, 16). You must realize that even though your daughter may attend all practices and participate in fund raising she may only play the minimum required time each game.

### **2. When is the All Stars Tournament?**

This year, the local tournament for District 6 begins on June 20th. State tournaments begin roughly the middle of July. Sectionals are in early August. Regional tournaments begin in mid-August. This year's dates are:

May 17<sup>th</sup>      Intent Forms due date for All Stars  
June 20<sup>th</sup>      Start District 6 Tournament – All games at Wilson LL  
Other dates and locations will be added as they become available.

### **3. What is expected from players and parents during All Stars Tournament?**

**a. To be selected for these teams is an honor and therefore requires commitment from those selected.** Unlike some Leagues, WBLL does NOT require a player to choose between Little League and ASA or Slow Pitch or camp or vacation or church activities. However, WBLL **DOES** expect a commitment from both the players **AND** the parents. The All Star team may win the District Tournament. If this happens then that team will travel to the State Tournament. To win District and go to State is a HUGE honor and requires that parents understand that the team may be away from home for at least a week maybe longer if they win State (9/10s only go to state and no further). PLEASE understand that the commitment to the team is important at this point. To have any of our girls work hard to get to state and then be pulled away because someone with the team doesn't want to make the commitment to stay is disheartening to say the least and is not fair to rest of the team members who then have to give up playing because they don't have enough players to continue. So please be prepared to make the commitment. Although desirable, it is not necessary for the parents to accompany the child if the team travels out of the area. Same sex chaperones are paid for by the league (1 per every 3 girls).

- a.** Regular practice is required. Managers may practice daily. Any player whose absence from practice and/or tournament games becomes a problem for the manager may be removed from the team by vote of the Board of Directors. A player may be replaced at that time.
- b.** Fund Raising **IS REQUIRED** of **ALL** players on the All Star teams. (The league is required to help pay for balls, umpires, and entry fee(s) at the District Tournament level.) The league may help pay for travel expenses (team and chaperones), team parties, etc. within the guidelines of the attached requirements approved by the Board of Directors.
- c.** Parents pay for socks, hat/visor if team chooses to have one, and optional items which may be offered including souvenir t-shirts, pin, sliding pads, team photo.
- d.** Please see All Star selection Process at [wbll.org](http://wbll.org) to see how we select All Stars Fund Raise and for a duplicate copy of this information.

### **How does WBLL select All Stars?**

All players on the active rosters (that is, players who are registered by May 1 and who have played in at least half of the games for which they were eligible to play) are eligible for selection to the All Stars teams. We have adopted a 3-step process for each age level: the girls vote, the managers vote and the Board of Directors approves.

#### **Players Vote**

- a. Each Player will submit an intention form declaring her desire to be considered.
- b. Players vote by ballot for 14 players in their own division (9-10's vote for 9-10's; 11-12's vote for 11-12's; Juniors vote for Juniors; Seniors vote for Seniors). All players will appear on the ballot in order to not cause any embarrassment to any players who did not wish to participate.
- c. The Division Rep will tabulate the votes. The top 14 will get 1 cumulative vote each at the next step of the selection process.

#### **Managers Vote**

- a. Managers ONLY will vote by ballot for 14 players in a division.
- b. At a called meeting of managers, the Division Chair will tabulate votes of each manager plus the cumulative girl vote. Girls who receive a unanimous vote will automatically be named to the team.
- c. If there are not 14 players selected unanimously, one of several steps may be taken to fill the roster:
  - By agreement of the managers, the players with the next highest number of votes may be named to the team.
  - In the event of a tie, managers may speak on behalf of a player and a new anonymous vote may be taken.
  - If the roster cannot be filled by a clear vote, the managers may agree to defer to the All Stars manager to select the last player(s).

#### **Board of Directors Vote**

- a. The Division Chair will present the names of the All Stars team to the Board which will then vote to approve the team and coaches.

### **5. How does WBLL select the All Stars Manager?**

- a. All managers shall submit their desire to be the All Star manager by May 27th of the calendar year. This submission must be written confirmation to the League President or the Division Representative.
- b. The names of the managers seeking the All Star position shall be placed on a selection ballot to be presented to the official managers and coaches (a limit of three votes per team) of the teams as well as the Division Rep for the respective division. This ballot will be provided to the official managers and coaches (to be verified by the Division Rep prior to passing out ballots) so the vote can be completed on or before June 1st of the calendar year. The League President shall determine the exact date for the turning in of the ballots.
- c. Upon receipt of the ballot the votes will be tabulated and the results provided to the League Board of Directors for confirmation or disapproval.
- d. After approval the names of the All Star managers shall be announced to the respective divisions.
- e. The All Star managers shall choose their respective coaches to assist them during the tournament season. The All Star manager shall consider first any managers that have indicated interest in assisting with All Stars. If no managers are available then those coaches indicating interest shall be considered. Once the selection has been made it is to be announced to the respective divisions.

**Process for All Star Fund Raising and Activity**  
**(as approved 27 April 2002)**

As part of the Little League All Star experience it is important for those persons desiring consideration to be selected for All Star teams to understand the role and need of fundraising. It is equally important that the League and Board of Directors do all in their power to ensure that those teams that succeed in going to different levels of tournament play get the support necessary to make the experience wonderful. In order to better explain the All Star needs, WBLL has devised this standard operations procedure to serve as a guideline for explaining the needs and process.

**It is vitally important that the parents of all players seeking consideration understand that if their child is selected for All Star play the participation in fundraising activities is mandatory. WBLL in the form created for All Star consideration shall include the mandatory statement on the consideration form. The submission form shall include a signature of the applying child's parent to authenticate their knowledge of the fundraising requirement. Again after the selection of the All Star teams it is the league's responsibility to confirm with the parents this requirement.**

**The style of fundraising and the funds raised should be such that each All Star team contributes to the All Star effort equally. The Board of Directors of WBLL shall examine its budget status at the meeting at which the All Star Managers are approved to estimate the League's ability to assist in the potential effort of All Star teams that may require travel and transportation funds in the tournament season. The Board shall establish an All Star fundraising committee core group to assist in the required fundraising efforts. A parent representative from each All Star team shall be added to the committee upon the teams' selection. It is recommended that the committee have three members from the BOD, one of which can be the Treasurer, on the established committee.**

Fundraising can take a variety of forms but the participation must be equal for all teams potentially benefiting from the efforts. Recommended fundraising efforts include but are not limited to the following activities:

Sales - Zap-a-snack, Doughnuts, Raffles  
Car Washes  
Concession Sales  
Donations from friends, businesses, etc.  
Cash donation by family

**Additional funding may be authorized based on need by the WBLL BOD in the form of bank loans, which require the guarantee of members of the Association. The amount of funds available in this format will be limited to the number of guarantors.**

**The actions required to implement this process are as follows:**

- 1. Include language on form for All Star consideration about the fundraising requirement**
- 2. Form committee from BOD as core All Star fundraising group**
  - a. Plan the fundraising activities for the All-Star season**
  - b. Establish guidelines to ensure equal participation and distribution of funds raised**
- 3. Upon selection of the All-Star teams confirm understanding of participants in the mandatory requirement of fundraising (Any player or parent unwilling to participate shall be removed from the All Star team)**
- 4. Raise Funds.**