



MANDATORY VOLUNTEER HOURS

PLL would not exist without the commitment and teamwork from our participant's parents and/or guardians. All parents and/or guardians are required to complete volunteer time throughout the season. PLL requires 6 volunteer hours per family.

Volunteer sign-ups will be facilitated via SignUpGenius.com*. Please watch your email, PLL website, and the PLL Facebook page for more information.

PLL requires that every family submit two checks of \$50 each. You must complete 3 volunteer hours by the end of the PLL spring break (4/28/19) or PLL will deposit the first \$50 check. You must complete the remaining 3 volunteer hours by the last game or PLL will deposit the other \$50 check. If you complete all your volunteer hours, your checks will be destroyed. If you opt to not volunteer ("buy-out"), your check(s) will be cashed.

Your child will not be permitted to play until your two \$50 checks have been received by the PLL Treasurer. Checks may be submitted in person at several opportunities which will be clearly announced prior to the start of the season or mailed to PO Box 245, Shingle Springs, CA 95682. Your final opportunity to submit your checks will be at Opening Day. We will require the deposit prior to the participant/player taking pictures on Opening day.

Additionally, missed shifts (no show no call), will result in a \$50 deposit check being cashed for each missed shift.

*Sign up platform subject to change. Signupgenius.com is scheduled to be used for the 2019 season.

FAQ:

How can I sign up to volunteer?

We will use signupgenius.com to share and track volunteer hours. To make tracking easy, please try and use the same email you registered with as your email for signupgenius.com. Also, in the notes section please be sure to write in your players name so we can be sure we are giving the proper credit to the proper family.

How will I know what the volunteer times are?

Through signupgenius.com PLL will send emails to all registered families no less than once a month. PLL highly encourages you to like our Facebook page. Last minute requests for needed volunteers will be posted there.



What if I have to cancel my signup?

If you must cancel, we ask that you do your best to find a replacement. All cancellations should be made through signupgenius.com. **Cancellations done less than 24 hours before the scheduled time will result in one of your \$50 checks being cashed immediately.**

Can I have someone else complete my hours?

Yes, you may have another adult complete your hours on behalf of your player/family. They must sign up through signupgenius.com and they must list in the notes the players name.

How will you keep track of who shows up?

Sign in forms will be posted at each volunteer opportunity. It is your responsibility to locate that form and sign yourself in. Each sign in must be accompanied by a "witness". For example, parents signed up to prep a field will need to go to the snack bar to locate the volunteer sign in form. Someone from the snack bar, your coach, a board member, or the person you are prepping the field with, may sign as your witness. Any volunteer hours that occur at a field will most likely have the sign-up sheet at the snack bar.

Are there really enough hours to go around?

There are DEFINITELY enough hours to go around, however we anticipate the "prime" spots to fill up very very quickly. We encourage you to sign up early to have the best chance of getting convenient and desirable shifts. Also, be mindful that half of your hours (3) need to be complete before the PLL spring break. Do not wait until the last minute to complete your hours.

I am coach (team mom, or manager), does that meet my volunteer commitment and do I need to provide deposit checks?

Yes, being a coach completes all your volunteer requirements, however we will collect deposit checks from each coach (if the coach is a parent of a player). If at spring break you are still coaching the first check will be destroyed. Once the season has completed and you have returned your equipment to PLL your commitment is complete, and the second check will be destroyed.

I am the score keeper, does that meet my volunteer commitment and do I need to provide deposit checks?

Scorekeepers will need to signup through signupgenius.com and record their hours at the snack bar each game. Scorekeeper volunteer hours will be tracked like other volunteer opportunities.



Where does all the money go if people opt out of volunteering?

Donations will be kept separate from the general fund and spent directly on upgrading equipment and improving fields. The PLL Board of Directors will vote on what the funds will be used for annually, and that information will be shared with the league.

Why is it so much money?

We need volunteers to make this league run efficiently. We have 1000s of volunteer opportunities that each year go unfilled and in order to ensure our leagues future and the best possible experience for the players, we need help making the season happen. The league needs volunteer help, this deposit was not designed to “make the league money”, but to strongly encourage participation from all families and make the seasons best the ever. We have researched the best practices of other youth sports leagues in our area, and this has become common practice.

Last year it was only \$25, why is it \$100 this year?

Last year we collected the money up front and received feedback that it was a financial hardship for many during registration. We also received feedback that having to “come back” and get the checks was frustrating. This system allows no out of pocket expenses for the families who complete their hours and a bigger possible investment to encourage more volunteering.

Is it per family or per player?

This is a test year for the new system and although we are trying our best to develop a great system, we know there will be hiccups along the way. We are limiting the deposits to “per family” this year as we roll out the system. We will evaluate this practice after our first year.

What are some of the volunteer opportunities?

- Coach
- Manager
- Team Mom
- Scorekeeper
- Game Day Field Prep
- Field Maintenance Days
- Snack Bar
- Opening Day
- Umpire (if trained/approved)
- Cap Night
- Game Day Trash/Porta Potty Pick Up
- Equipment Maintenance (work on tractors, etc.)
- Equipment Maintenance (assist equipment manager with care and restoration of baseball equipment)