

Team Volunteer Descriptions

In an effort to help our Managers and Coaches we ask that parents of the players pitch in and help out wherever they can. Our Managers and Coaches have dedicated a huge amount of time to coach our kids –many are giving up time spent with their own families or at work. We ask that parents of players, also volunteer some time so that we can all work together to make this a great year for your kids. We understand that not everyone can coach but there are ways you can help your insure that your coach spends the largest part of their time, coaching.

Manager

Responsible for coaching and mentoring players in the development of baseball and softball skills. Organize team rosters, attend all practices and games, is respectful of individual skills and abilities. Communicates with parents, the league, umpires and players in a positive manner in all instances. Be prepared with a practice plan, and insure that all kids are engaged in the game or practice. Be fair in your assignment of positions and innings played.

Assistant Coach

Supports the Manager and their plan for practice and games. Helps run stations in practices, and may coach 1st or 3rd base during games. Communicates with parents, the league, umpires and players in a positive manner in all instances. Attend all practices and games.

Team Parent

Team Parent is the Manager's coordinator. The TP organizes uniforms (sizing and distribution), snacks (if teams choose to do this), other team gear (sweatshirts etc) if the team chooses to have those. The TP also helps the Manager with communication to the other parents. The TP is also the organizer of the Snack Shack volunteers. Each time your team plays at Freedom Field, the snack shack must be staffed with volunteers (parents are never asked to volunteer while their child is playing) and the TP organizes those volunteers and makes sure the shifts are covered.

Safety Parent

The Safety Parent is a parent who is at most of the games and practices. The SP makes sure the safety backpack is complete with supplies, and obtains fresh supplies if you run out. Supplies can be obtained at the snack shack. The SP parent needs to be certified in CPR/AED training, and attend our annual Safety Meeting. In the event of an injury, the safety parent would help the injured person, call for emergency help (911) if needed, while the Manager/Coach continues to supervise the other players. The SP will complete any paperwork required (incident or accident report) and communicate with the Safety Director (safety@millcreeklittleleague.com) about any injuries or accidents.

Umpires

Mill Creek Little League is honored and very fortunate to have a great group of full time umpires. These umpires are used at the Majors and above Softball and Baseball games. Occasionally you will have league umpires at your Minors division games. At the Farm and Rookies levels we rely on Parent Umpires. Each team needs to identify at least 3 parent umpires to attend our umpire training clinics. These 4 hour clinics will instruct you on the basics of field position, balls and strikes, calls etc. Our league umpires also receive fringe benefits if they agree to umpire a minimum number of games. Points are earned and can be redeemed for your own umpire gear. For occasional umpires, protective gear is provided at each field for your use. The Home team provides a plate umpire, the Visitor provides the field umpire. If a team has no volunteers, then the coaches will be required to umpire their own game, which means less time coaching our kids.

Grounds Keepers & Occasional Help

This isn't an official position, however, the message here is that the Managers and Coaches should not have to set bases, rake or drag fields or hang tarps etc. The Managers and Coaches are giving generously of their time to coach and mentor our kids in the great sport of Baseball and Softball. Please help out. There is always a need – if you see your coach dragging the field, stop and ask if they need your help. Maybe come early when you drop off your child, and just see what needs to be done.

What to do so that you can help?

All volunteers are required to have a full Little League criminal background check completed before engaging in any activity with the players. Once you are approved, you will be issued a current year's Badge. Badges must be worn at all times when engaging with the players. It's easy to submit your paperwork for your badge – just visit our website for the application and send the completed application, along with your current driver's license and a jpeg photo and send it to president@millcreeklittleleague.com. MCLL takes very good care of your personal information and keeps it in strict confidence.