

# City of Clayton Parks & Recreation 2024 Youth Baseball/Softball League



“Before kids can play like a pro, they must enjoy playing  
The game like a kid.”



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# League Philosophy

- Have Fun
- Recreational League
- Scores are de-emphasized
- Standings are not kept
- Equal playing time
- Promote good sportsmanship



# Coaching Responsibilities



- Follow and support our philosophy
- Be a role model for players and parents
- Be respectful of umpires and staff
- Ensure Parents are being respectful of umpires and staff
- Contact us with any problems



# Coaching Responsibilities (continued)



- Teach kids responsibility
- Concentrate on fundamentals
- Say something positive after every game and practice
- Contact us with any problems

# Coaching Resources

- Bullying
- Coaching techniques
- Keeping practices and games fun
- Equal playing time
- Communication with parents
- Conflict Resolutions



# Schedules

- Games start the weekend of April 6
- 8 Game Season
  - 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls and 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Boys do not have full schedules currently
    - Collaboration with Webster Groves Baseball / Softball League
- No Games Memorial Day Weekend
- Accommodations
- Please double check your schedules
- New Process for Rescheduling

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# Reschedules (cont.)

- Considering the number of reschedules and games changes we receive, we set up a new process to prioritize and expedite the process. Below are the changes for requesting a reschedule:
- Coaches will be asked to submit reschedules under the "Request Youth Game Change" tab on the TeamSideline homepage.
  - Every effort should be made to play scheduled games
  - Requests MUST be submitted by 5:00 am the Monday preceding the game. Submissions after that will be counted as a forfeit and the game will not be made up.
  - Coaches will need to communicate with their opponent regarding possible dates/times prior to submitting a request.
  - Games cancelled due to weather DO NOT need to be submitted, we will complete those automatically.

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# Rules

- Read them and know them
- Each division has different rules
- Many divisions have rules in place to support our philosophy



# Rules (continued)

Grade Level	Ball	Umpires	Pitchers	Players
Kindergarten	RIF 1	Coaches	N/A	7-10 (max 6 infield)
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>	RIF 1	Coaches	Coaches	7-10 (max 6 infield)
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Boys	RIF 5/10	1 Umpire	Machine	7-10 (max 6 infield)
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Girls	11" Softball	1 Umpire	Machine	8-10 (max 6 infield)
5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Boys	RIF 10	2 Umpires	Kid Pitch*	7-9 (max 6 infield)
5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Girls	11" Softball	2 Umpires	Kid Pitch*	7-10 (max 6 infield)
7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Boys	Official Baseball	2 Umpires	Kid Pitch*	7-9 (max 6 infield)
7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Girls	12" Softball	2 Umpires	Kid Pitch*	7-9 (max 6 infield)

\*Pitchers have a 4 innings/12 total out limit

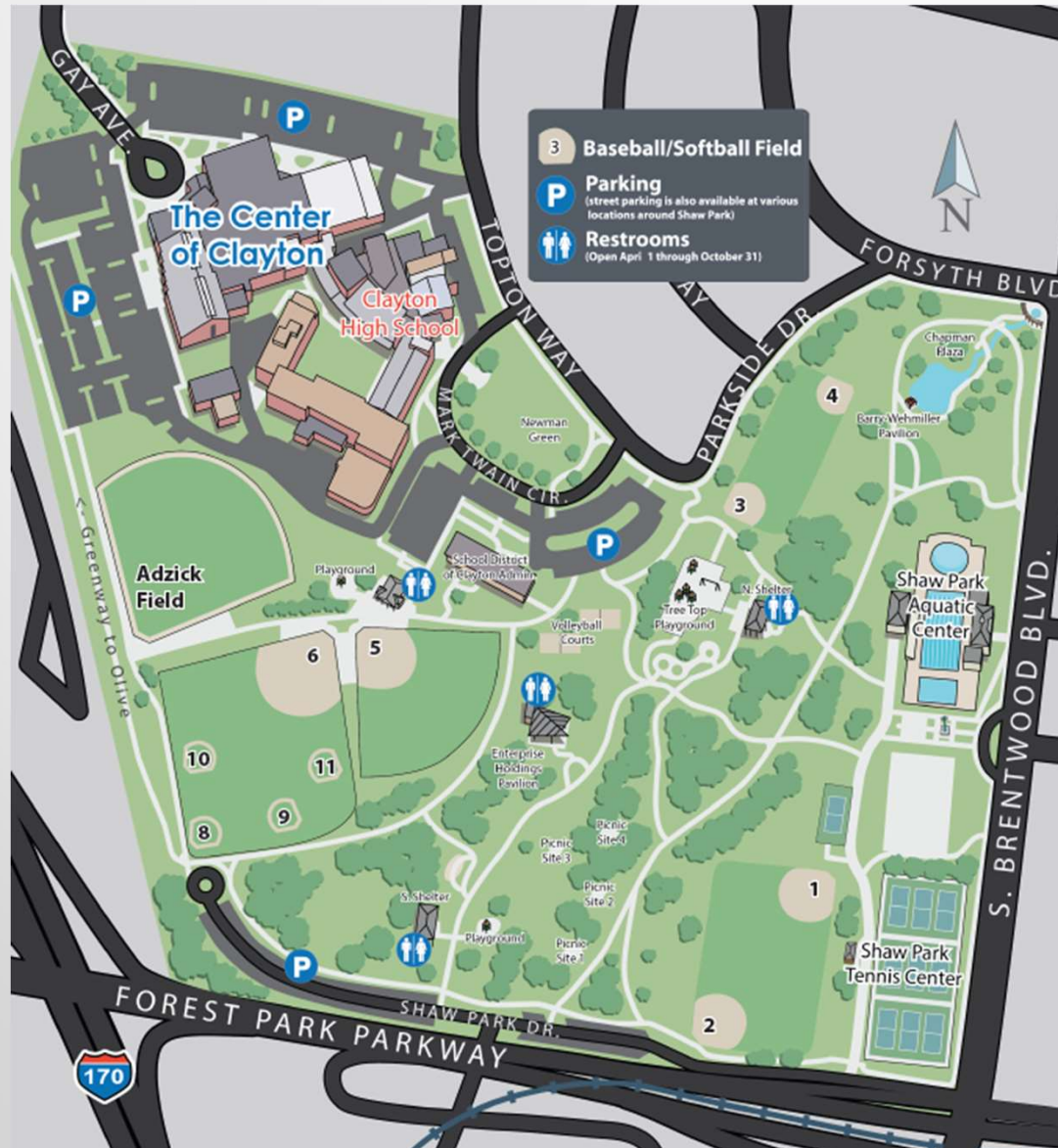
# Coordinators

- Game Day Staff
- Ensure fields are set up
- Ensure officials are present
- Monitor/Evaluate games
- Handle any other issues



# Field Location and Maps

- Grades K-8 will be played in Shaw Park





# Rosters/Waivers

- Clayton Rosters are already completed
- Outside Teams – Blank Roster/Waiver
  - Waiver due date is Wednesday, March 29

City of Clayton  
Parks and Recreation Department  
Youth Baseball/Softball Team Roster

School Name: Clayton Grade: 2nd boys  
 Coach Name: Noelken Phone: 290-8519  
 Address: 50 Gay Ave Clayton MO 63105  
Street City State Zip

My family and I hereby waive and release the City of Clayton and its representatives from claims for damages and/or injuries incurred while participating in or as a spectator at a City of Clayton sponsored activity. I have read and understand the registration and refund policies. Registration is invalid without signature. I also agree, as a participant or a parent of a minor participant, to grant full permission to the City of Clayton to use my name, photograph, videotape or recording for promotional purposes without obligation or liability to me or my family.

Name/Signature	Address & Zip	Phone	R	NR
1. <u>Darren Jr.</u>	<u>50 Gay Ave Clayton MO 63105</u>	<u>290-8519</u>		
<u>Darren Noelken</u>				
2.				
3.				

# Picture Day April 20 & 21



- Tom Paule Photography
  - [tompaulphotographysports.com](http://tompaulphotographysports.com)
  - 636-391-7000
  - We will do our best to keep outdoors and reschedule if needed.

# Paul Zarky's Little Sluggers



- Ages 4-5
- 6 week program
- Held in Shaw Park Sunday mornings
- Good intro to the sport
- Residents and Non-Resident Registrations Available

# Youth Sports Website

- Game schedules
- Sign up for text alerts
- Downloads
- Field Locations
- Contact Information

