

April 2024

Re: All-Star Player Commitment

Dear Parents, and Players:

Each year, the Norco Girls Softball (NGS) Board reviews the highlights of the prior year's All-Star Program to make improvements. Our goal is to ensure that All-Star players make the team based upon their playing ability and that the selected qualified managers are highly committed to motivate players at this advanced level of play. The intent of this letter is informational, so that you know the program and participant expectations.

Interested All-Star participants need to answer these tough questions honestly before making the All-Star commitment:

- ✓ Are you ready for the commitment?
- Are you ready to give up summer vacations? 1
- Are you ready to give a provide the financial commitment?
  Are you ready for extra practices?
- ✓ Can you objectively support your manager without questioning their decisions related to how often or what position(s) your daughter plays?
- Are you ready to be part of something that is an honor and privilege?
- ✓ Are you ready to represent your City and NGS?

If you have any reservations, then an All-Star Team commitment is not currently right for you. If you can honestly answer yes to these questions, without hesitation, then you are ready to consider an All-Star Team commitment.

Here are some All-Star Team facts of interest:

All-Star Team Selection

NGS will have at least one team representing each division in the 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U and 16/HS divisions. (Only if enough players come forth to build a team).

### Team Try-out Date: 5/1/2024 (Times/Locations Listed Below) Team Selection Date: 5/1/2024

Players will be informed of their selection May 4th, and teams will be announced at closing ceremonies. Confirmation of each player's uniform jersey sizes and preferred jersey number to be given in order to advise the Board at once. All non-selected players will be contacted by their division's Player Agent to thank them for their participation.

There is the possibility that your daughter will not play but an inning or two throughout the entire All-Star season. While we, as a Board, hope this does not happen, please note that the Board does not control this matter, as it is at the sole discretion of the All-Star Team managers to make all necessary playing decisions.

If you are chosen by the All Star Manager, by signing this letter you are committing to all fees for uniforms/equipment that are purchased. You will be held accountable for any bounced checks and fees occurred.

If a player did not fulfill their commitment in the previous All-Star or Select season (i.e. quit the team, was removed from the team, had conduct detrimental to the team by player, parent, or supporter of player, or in any way the Board deemed a violation of contract), they are not eligible for All-Star or Select Team consideration for the current or following season.

Thank you,

Andrew Warm Vice President, NGS

# ALL-STAR DATES/COSTS

- NGS covers the following tournaments for 8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U divisions (6U & 16/HS tournaments to be chosen by The Board and Manager if there is a team formed).
- Parents will be financially responsible for any extra tournaments.
- Parents are responsible for all hotel and travel costs.
- Parents are financially responsible for all gear decided upon by the Managers (all information will be provided at the first team meeting).
- A deposit of \$500 will be due once your player has been picked for the team all payments can be check or cash.
- A deposit of \$100 per player will be due for the snack bar. If you work your shift during our Stampede Tournament, your check will be returned to you after your shift.
- 6U & 16/HS division will not need to make a \$100 deposit for the snack bar due to no 6U & 16/HS teams in the Norco Stampede Tournament. If these two divisions are added to the Stampede tournament, the \$100 per player deposit for the snack bar will be required immediately.

Please see the following registered tournaments:

6U Division:

\*Tournaments will be decided by the All Star Manager/Coach, the league will pay for up to 3 tournaments.

### 8U, 10U, 12U 14u Divisions:

The NGS league will pay for the tournaments listed below, along with Districts and States if a team reaches that point.

- 1. Whittier All Star Kickoff- 5/17/24 -5/19/24
- 2. La Mirada Madness 5/24/24 5/27/24 (Memorial Weekend)
- 3. Norco Stampede 5/31/24 6/2/24
- 4. Corona Diamond Classic 6/7/24 6/9/24

B- District - Rialto - 6/21/24-6/23/24

C-District-Beaumont-6/14/24-6/16/24

B-States-Lancaster-7/4/24-7/7/24

C- States – Lancaster – 6/27/24-6/30/24

\*Any extra tournaments are at the teams own cost. \*Tournaments are subject to change due to availability.

Team Try-out Date: 5/1/2024

6U - 5:00 PM WM6 8U - 5:30 PM WM6 10U - 5:00 PM WM5 12U - 6:00 PM WM5 14U/HS - 7:00 PM WM5

# Rules/Regulations:

1. Potential eligible divisions: 6U through 14U/HS.

2. Players must be registered for Spring 2024 season to be eligible.

3. Rosters will range from 10-12 players per team.

4. Divisional tryouts will be conducted for the selection of each Allstar Team. The tryout date will be posted by the league and is open to all players in good standing (disciplinary, financial, or otherwise)

5. Players are permitted to participate in Class A Softball (aka, Travel Ball) while retaining their eligibility for Allstars. A.) Please note that USA Softball Rules limit the number of girls that play travel ball and select to a maximum of 4 players per division.

B.) NOTE – If your player falls in this category, you must disclose this to the league. Also, be aware that the player must cease travel ball participation as of March 31st, 2024 if they wish to be eligible for 2024 All Stars.

6. Players MUST play in their age-appropriate division, based on the date of birth, regardless of the division played during the spring season.

7. Players that are chosen to the Allstar team must attend a minimum of 75% of their regular Spring team's events (practices/games). Failure to do so can result in the player being removed from the Allstar team.

8. Player/Parent commitment to ALL travel, time, and financial commitments must be agreed upon BEFORE the final roster is approved.

## Selection process:

1. Allstar tryouts are open to ALL NGS 2024 Spring registered players. However, not every player is guaranteed to make an Allstar team.

2. Rec managers will evaluate all players at tryouts and choose the first 9 girls. The approved all-star manager for each division picks the final 3.

3. Following tryouts, the Allstar Manager for each division will submit the tentative roster. This roster will be reviewed by the NGS Board for approval.

4. Players will be notified May 4<sup>th</sup> and teams announced at Closing Ceremonies.

5. Practices will begin after May 4th.

Board members will do their best to approve players based on but not limited to, experience, age, safety, physical ability, primary position, etc. We understand that although NGS has a large group of players who can potentially be a part of the Allstar Team, we can ONLY award 10-12 per roster. It is inevitable and unfortunate that some "Allstar worthy" players will not be able to be placed on the Allstar roster due to space allowed.

There is no guarantee that all divisions will have an Allstar team for 2024. Factors taken into consideration include available managers/coaches, and adequate pitchers/catchers to compete with the high-level of play. If it is determined that NGS does not have the necessary players to adequately compete against other leagues, it is a possibility that the specific division(s) may not create an Allstar team for 2024.

# Norco Girls Softball 2023 All-Star Player Commitment Letter

By signing below, you are acknowledging that you have read and agree to the three pages above:

All-Star Team Pla	yer Commitment:			
Parent's Name		<u>Player's Name</u>		
Parent's Signature		Player's Signature		
Current Age Division		Current Team Name		
All-Star Age Divisio	on			
Jersey Size	Pant Size	Desired Number Option 1 (Not Guaranteed)	Desired Number Option 2	Desired Number Option 3

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