



Berkeley Heights Recreation Girls In-town Spring 2010 Softball Grades 2nd thru 8th *On-line Registration Starts Now!*



BATTER UP! The Berkeley Heights Recreation Department will run a competitive softball program for girls in grades 2 through 8 residing in Berkeley Heights. Practices and/or games will be held twice a week at fields located in Berkeley Heights. **All girls are given equal playing time.** Teams will be selected by *head coaches* at a draft supervised by the BH Recreation Department. Please do not request special team placement!

***** Sign-up Deadlines *****

***** March 8th for 2nd – 6th grade and March 19th for 7th and 8th grade *****

Registrations received after the sign-up deadlines will incur a \$10.00 late fee

LEAGUE	FEE	GAME SCHEDULE	NOTES
Grades 2 - 3	\$50.00	Monday & Wednesday	Coaches pitch, are catcher and umpire games
Grades 4 - 5	\$60.00	Tuesday & Friday	Players pitch; umpires are used
Grades 6-7-8	\$60.00	Tuesday & Thursday	Players pitch; umpires are used

- **Online Registration:** Begins immediately! Go to <http://register.communitypass.net/berkeleyheights> to register online. Mail-in and walk-in registration while not preferred will still be accepted, however, *families are encouraged to use the new online registration process.* If you choose to not use online registration, please fill out the 2nd page of this document and mail or walk-in to BH Recreation at 56 Columbus Avenue. Please make checks payable to: B. H. Rec.
- **Late Fees:** Families will be charged a late fee of \$10 per player for all registrations not received by the dates noted above.
- **Game Time:** 6:15pm (promptly)
- **Practices:** Will be held from April 12th – 23rd and may be on days other than game days noted above. Coaches must call Tom Barton, Recreation Director (464-0550 ext. 11) to schedule additional practice times (including the week of April 5th / Spring Break). For all other concerns please call Lena Bendush (464-0550 ext. 13).
- **Games:** Games are scheduled from April 26th through June 11th at fields located in Berkeley Heights.
- **Schedules:** Schedules will include both practices and games and be emailed to all participants shortly after the draft.
- **Team Selection:** Teams will be selected by **head coaches only** (no assistants) at a draft supervised by Lena Bendush, Program Director (date to be determined). Coaches may go into the draft with *one* preselected assistant coach and his/her daughter (no exceptions). All other players will be subject to an open draft.
- **Equipment:** Equipment bags (including balls, bases, medical kits and catchers' equipment) will be distributed to head coaches at the draft. Players will be provided with team tee shirts and must use their own gloves. Protective eyewear must be worn for girls wearing corrective eyeglasses. Goggles must meet the "ANSI" standards (Not supplied by B.H. Rec.).
- **Field Usage / Game Cancellations:** BH Recreation will only cancel games and practices if conditions are such that fields are not playable. Call the BH Recreation **hotline at 464-0625 after 4pm** to determine if games and practices are cancelled on a particular field. Berkeley Heights Recreation will not cancel fields if the evening weather is questionable. Coaches must call each other to make the decision before game time. If coaches decide to cancel games because of inclement weather, they are responsible for notifying their players. Coaches will reschedule games through Lena Bendush and call players with cancellation information / game rescheduling.
- **Rutgers SAFETY Clinic:** All head and assistant coaches are **required** to attend the Rutgers SAFETY Clinic at least once. This year's clinic will be held on Wednesday, March 10th from 6:15pm-10:00pm in the cafeteria at Columbia Middle School. Please call the BH Recreation Office at 464-0550 to register; there is no cost for Berkeley Heights' coaches to attend.
- **Questions and concerns** regarding this program should be communicated to Lena Bendush, Program Director at 464-0550 ext. 13 or lbendush@bhtwp.com.

BH PAL and Recreation Annual Baseball/Softball Opening Day Parade – Saturday, April 17th (rain date April 18th)

line-up in uniform (no cleats) at 11:30am at upper Columbia Middle School parking lot

Immediately following the parade, the Berkeley Heights YMCA will host the

Aquafina® and Major League Baseball® Pitch, Hit & Run competition.

This event is free of charge and open to girls and boys ages 7 – 14.

Berkeley Heights Memorial Day Parade – Monday, May 31st drop-off at 9am (leaves from BH Community Pool at 9:30am)



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THERE WILL BE NO PRE-SELECTED TEAMS ALLOWED IN THIS PROGRAM!

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION - Residents Only!

Player Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____ Birth date: ____/____/____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Special considerations i.e., allergies, hearing/visual impairments, recent injuries, learning disabilities, medications, bee stings, etc.

Yes ___ No ___ (if yes, please describe): _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail: _____

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To assist the Recreation Dept. and coaches in developing fairly drafted teams, please answer the following regarding availability and experience:

Game Schedules: Gr 2/3 Mon & Wed Gr 4/5 Tue & Fri Gr 6/7/8 Tue & Thur

My Daughter will be regularly ABSENT on the following evenings:

circle Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

My Daughter will be regularly LATE on the following evenings:

circle Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri EXPECTED ON-FIELD ARRIVAL TIME: _____

Member of Columbia Middle School team (grade 7/8 only): Yes ___ No ___

BH Rec softball experience? Yes ___ No ___ Recreation pitching experience? Yes ___ No ___

BH PAL travel softball: Yes ___ No ___ # of years _____ Travel softball pitching experience? Yes ___ No ___

VOLUNTEER COACHES: This program does not exist without the help of our volunteer coaches! Please check one:

Head Coach **Assistant Coach**

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone (at game time): _____

E-mail: _____

Experience: _____ Rutgers Safety Clinic: Yes ___ No ___

PARENTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/CONSENT

MEDICAL RELEASE I recognize that participation in contact sports may occasionally lead to injury. The most common injuries are abrasions, bruises, sprains, and strains. Less common injuries, but perhaps more serious can occur. I hereby authorize emergency medical care for my child if, in the judgement of the staff, treatment is required for an injury or illness. I hereby also authorize the administering of anesthetics and recourse to other procedures deemed necessary by the attending physician. I understand that whenever possible I will be notified prior to medical treatment of my child or at the earliest possible time should prior notice prove impossible. I recognize I am financially responsible for any expenses for medical care or transportation incurred.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT I agree to abide by the above conditions herein and agree to hold harmless, waive, and release any and all rights to claims for damages against the Recreation Commission, Township of Berkeley Heights, agents, and employees and any such individuals who may be involved in the planning and implementation of this program.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____