

# **FALL 2023 GENERAL INFORMATION**

Thanks for signing up with Catoosa County Parks and Recreation! We're so glad to have you a part of our 2023 Fall Season! It's likely you have questions about the upcoming season, so we have compiled a list of questions and answers. If you find that we haven't answered your questions, please feel free to give us a call at 706-891-4199.

## **Baseball Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Weather permitting, there will be player evaluations on July 27th. T-Ball will not take part in the evaluations. Emails will be sent to parents closer to this date to inform you of when your player's evaluation will be. During this evaluation, players should be prepared to participate in various baseball drills. Player attendance at pre-season evaluations is highly encouraged to properly draft and roster as evenly matched teams as possible. Players that do not attend will be randomly assigned to a team by the recreation department.
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the first week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as August 1st.
  - b. Please see "T-Ball" section for T-ball specific dates
  - c. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Weather permitting, games will begin August 26th. Games will not be played on Labor Day.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey and a hat. Players will need to buy pants, a belt and socks. Parents should wait to purchase these items until they have met with their coach.
  - b. Other items players should purchase: Cleats, glove, helmet, bat.
  - c. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.
- 6. Where will my team practice and play games?
  - a. The following places will be open for practices Jack Mattox Park and Boynton Park. Weather permitting.
- 7. What days will my team play games?
  - a. Game days can vary any day except Wednesday and Sundays. Game days will be determined at the end of registration, once CCPRD is able to project the number of teams per division.

# **T-Ball Information**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Teams will be formed during the third week of August. CCPRD staff will meet with coaches on August 17th. Coaches will be instructed to reach out to players by the end of that week. **THERE IS NO PLAYER EVALUATION FOR THIS AGE GROUP.**
- 2. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as August 21st.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.

- 3. When will season games begin?
  - a. Weather permitting, games will begin August 26th. Games will not be played on Labor Day.
  - b. Game days for T-ball will be Monday and Thursday (please note these days may change after registration has closed and CCPRD staff is able to determine the final number of teams for the entire program).
- 4. Where will my team practice and play games?
  - a. The following places will be open for practices Jack Mattox Park and Boynton Park. Weather permitting.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey and a hat. Players will need to buy pants, a belt and socks. Parents should wait to purchase these items until they have met with their coach.
  - b. Other items players should purchase: Cleats, glove, helmet, bat.
  - c. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

### **Softball Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Teams will be formed by August 1st.
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the first week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as August 7th.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Weather permitting, games will begin September 5th. Games will not be played on Labor Day.
  - b. PLEASE NOTE: CCPRD softball teams may possibly play in the Scenic City Softball League. Teams will possibly travel to local communities to play other teams. More information will be provided once received.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey and a visor. Players will need to buy pants, a belt and socks. Parents should wait to purchase these items until they have met with their coach.
  - b. Other items players should purchase: Cleats, glove, helmet, bat.
  - c. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

## **Volleyball Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. There will be a player evaluation on August 1st. Emails will be sent to parents closer to this date to inform you of when your player's evaluation will be. During this evaluation, players should be prepared to participate in various volleyball drills. Player attendance at pre-season evaluations is highly encouraged to properly draft and roster as evenly matched teams as possible. Players that do not attend will be randomly assigned to a team by the recreation department.
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - b. You should hear from a coach by the end of the first week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - c. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as August 7th.
  - d. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - e. Tentative to change games will begin August 26th. Games will not be played on Labor Day.

- f. PLEASE NOTE: CCPRD volleyball will play in the North Georgia Recreation Volleyball League.
  - i. Participating departments: LaFayette Parks and Recreation. Travel will be required.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - g. The registration fee will cover a jersey. Players should purchase knee pads, shorts and a volleyball. Parents should wait to purchase these items until they have met with their coach.
  - h. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

#### **Soccer Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. There will be a player evaluation on August 8th. This evaluation is for 8U, 10U, and 12U soccer players. Emails will be sent to parents closer to this date to inform you of when your player's evaluation will be. During this evaluation, players should be prepared to participate in various soccer drills. Player attendance at pre-season evaluations is highly encouraged to properly draft and roster as evenly matched teams as possible. Players that do not attend will be randomly assigned to a team by the recreation department.
  - b. 4U & 6U will not have player evaluations. Those teams will be selected randomly
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. 8U-14U should hear from a coach by the end of the second week of August.
  - b. 4U & 6U should hear from a coach by August 21st.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as the third week of August.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Tentative to change games will begin August 26th. Games will not be played on Labor Day.
  - b. PLEASE NOTE: CCPRD 10U and 12U soccer will play in the North Georgia Recreation Soccer League. Participating departments: LaFayette, Ridegland, Rock Springs, and Trion.
  - c. 14U Soccer may play with Camp Jordan
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey, shorts, and socks. Players should purchase cleats and shin guards. Parents should wait to purchase these items until they have met with their coach.
  - b. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

### **Football Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. There will be a weigh in, pad fitting and evaluations on July 29th. During this evaluation, players should be prepared to participate in various football drills. Player attendance at pre-season evaluations is highly encouraged to properly draft and roster as evenly matched teams as possible. Players that do not attend will be randomly assigned to a team by the recreation department.
  - b. Football Camp at Ringgold High School will be August 5th starting at 9am!
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the second week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin around the third week of August.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.

- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Tentative to change games will begin after Labor Day.
  - b. PLEASE NOTE: We will play with: LaFayette, Summerville, Gordon County, LFO, Chickamauga, and Trion. **Travel will be required.**
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey.
  - b. Shoulder pads and helmets will be provided, but <u>must</u> be returned at the end of the season.
  - c. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

## **Flag Football Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Teams will be formed by August 3rd
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the second week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin around the third week of August.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Tentative to change games will begin after Labor Day.
  - b. PLEASE NOTE: We will play with: East Ridge, Ooltewah, Middle Valley, and Fort O. Travel will be required.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a jersey and flag belt.
  - b. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

### **Cheer Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Teams will be formed by August 17th.
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the third week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?
  - a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as the end of the third week of August.
  - b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Tentative to change games will begin after Labor Day.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a top, skirt, and pom poms.
  - b. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.

#### **XC Information:**

- 1. When will teams be formed?
  - a. Teams will be formed by August 17th.
- 2. When will I hear from a coach?
  - a. You should hear from a coach by the end of the third week of August.
- 3. When will practices start?

- a. Weather permitting, practices can begin as soon as the end of the third week of August.
- b. Practices are dependent on the coach's availability and their preference.
- 4. When will season games begin?
  - a. Tentative to change meets will begin after Labor Day.
  - b. We will be running with Dalton and Calhoun. Travel will be required.
- 5. What do I need to buy my player?
  - a. The registration fee will cover a tank top.
  - b. Academy Sports + Outdoors and Dicks' Sporting Goods are sponsors of CCPRD. They have provided our participants with a discount coupon for CCPRD participants to use. That coupon code will be sent out prior to the start of the season.