

## 2020 Maple River Summer Softball

It is hard to believe but MR Summer Softball is right around the corner. The MR Summer Softball Board would like to invite your daughter to participate in the 2020 summer season. Register online through the Maple River Community Education site by March 14, 2020. Late registrations will need to be approved by the MR Summer Softball board for participation and will be charged a \$50.00 fee. Once registration is complete, further details will be communicated from the board and from the assigned coaches. If you have any questions at this time, please reach out to a board member directly. We look forward to a great summer full of softball games!!

### Practice Details:

Practice schedules and locations will be determined by the head and assistant coach for each team. More information will be shared after registration closes on March 14, 2020 and teams are set by the board.

### Uniform Details:

#### 8U program

ESSA has decided to keep the 8u program in house instead of through league play. The ESSA board feels that the foundational elements of the game of softball are better achieved in house and setting up scrimmage games with towns near Maple River versus traveling great distances around southern MN. Participation in tournaments will be decided by the parents and the cost for tournament registration will be the responsibility of the parents. Parents are responsible for providing cleats, helmet and glove. If the team decides to participate in tournaments – parents would need to provide black shorts and black softball socks. Summer Softball T-shirts will be provided to all 8u players by the association.

#### 10u program

Each league play game night includes double header games. Participation in tournaments will be decided by the parents and the cost for tournament registration will be the responsibility of the parents.

In addition to the \$85.00 registration fee, parents are responsible for purchasing the following uniform items from United Team Elite- gray uniform pants, royal blue socks, and royal blue belt. The ESSA buys the first jersey for each new 10u player from United Team Elite. More information on this will be sent out after registration is complete.

#### 12u, 14u, 16u program

In addition to the \$135.00 registration fee (per chart outlined above), parents are responsible for purchasing the following uniform items from United Team Elite- gray uniform pants, royal blue socks, and royal blue belt. The ESSA buys the first jersey for each new player from United Team Elite. Girls who participated in the 10u, 12u, 14u or 16u program in 2018 should use the same uniform as 2018. If you need a different jersey size, families are responsible for purchasing the updated jersey from United Team Elite. The jersey number will remain the same as last year. League play is two nights per week (scheduled nights are determined by the Southern Star League by age), each night consisting of double header games at the host team location. Cost of registration includes league play and 3 paid tournament registrations. Tournament dates and locations are determined by the team.

### Helmets:

Players in all program levels are required to provide their own personal helmet to use and keep throughout the season. In order to play, it is required that each player has a helmet that fits well and has a chin strap. If you have questions on helmets, please see any board member for further information.

### Important Dates

- **March 14, 2020**– registration and payment due through MR Community Ed
- **Lead Off Meeting** – Date to be determined and communicated out via email after registration closes
- **End of May** – dates to be determined – league games start

**Thank you for your support of the Eagles Summer Softball Association.**

ESSA Board Members:

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