

## **Select Teams**

Select teams will be formed in each of the following age divisions: 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U and 13U, subject to the availability of qualified and interested managers and players. Whether Select teams are formed for any division or any given season is a decision reserved for the sole discretion of the Placentia PONY Baseball (“PPB”) Board. In no event shall there be more than one Select team per age division.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of Select teams is to provide PPB players an opportunity to play a more advanced and competitive form of baseball. The objective of the Select teams is to provide those youths selected with a more advanced playing level that better prepares players, parents, and coaches for the transition from recreational play to all-star play to competitive play.

## **Player Commitment**

Player’s are expected to commit to the Select team from January 1 – July 31 or the natural end of the Tournament season for the spring baseball season. Additional expenses and travel requirements may also be required for those selected to participate.

During the regular season, PPB’s Select teams will play inter-league games against Select teams from other PONY organizations. Select teams will not be scheduled to compete against other PPB teams during the regular season. Select teams may also likely compete in tournament play during the regular season subject to the discretion of the manager. At the discretion of the PPB Board during the all-star season, the Select team for each age group may compete as one of the all-star teams representing Placentia PONY Baseball (subject to Board approval). Select teams are not intended to be the only all-star team representing a specific age division for PPB.

## **Player Selection**

PPB will hold Select team tryouts at a date set forth by the PPB Board. Tryouts shall be conducted on a date set forth by the Board for the following spring season. Player selection for the Select team will be at the sole discretion of the Select Team manager with approval of the PPB board.

Selection shall be based upon baseball skill, baseball experience, commitment to the Select team and ability to meet other team requirements. Only players who live within the Placentia Pony All Star boundaries and meet all other All Star eligibility requirements shall be eligible to play.

### **Select Team Roster**

Select Teams will consist of no less than 11 players and no more than 15 players. PPB recommends and encourages Select teams to carry no more than 12 players. The ultimate number of players on any given Select team is at the discretion of the manager with approval of the PPB board. After the Select team and the league teams have been selected, Select teams may not take players from other league teams. However, if a Select team needs players during the season in circumstances where the Select team is short, then players may be borrowed only with VP division approval. In the event a Select team needs a player permanently after the regular season, the Select team may add a player from a regular season team only after the end of the regular season.

### **Manager for Select Teams**

Any individual interested in Managing a Select team shall submit a manager application to the appropriate Division VP on or before a date set forth by the Board. The application due date shall be in no case later than November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the following Spring season.

Selection of the Select team managers shall be at the sole discretion of the PPB Board and shall be based upon baseball experience, commitment to Placentia Pony, and availability (including ability to manage an all-star team). The manager selection shall be in effect from November 15<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>, or the natural end of the Tournament season for the spring baseball season. Select team managers will be selected for each Spring season.

### **Select Team Responsibilities**

Select teams will have the same obligations as any other team playing at PPB. Teams will be required to participate in snack shack duties, team sponsorship requirements and any other duties required of other league teams.

Select teams will receive the same practice field allocations as other league teams. Select teams will also be provided equipment and practice and game balls like the other league teams.

Select teams will have the opportunity to represent Placentia Pony in post season Pony sanctioned All Star tournaments subject to Board approval.