

2019 RLL All-Stars

Welcome to the Riviera Little League All-Star Information Page

In this section you will learn more about the Riviera Little League All-Star process, as well as, useful information players, parents, managers, coaches, and league officials should know about the All-Star experience at Riviera Little League.

Riviera Little League provides the opportunity for participation in both Little League sanctioned All- Star Tournaments and local tournaments following the end of the regular Riviera Little League season. The tournaments which Riviera participates in are all highly competitive and provide an extraordinary learning experience for each of its participants. It is considered an honor to represent Riviera Little League as an All-Star.

What Every Parent and Player Should Know About All-Stars

It is an honor to be selected for an All-Star team. Many players compete for a place on the team – not all players make the team. For the players and parents that do make the team, it is very important to understand expectations, requirements, and the commitment necessary to be on AND remain on the team. To be considered as a qualified nominee, players must: (1) be available during the summer months to fully participate in all practices and games, (2) have exemplary skill levels, (3) have good attitudes, (4) be committed to the team, and (5) be recognized by players and managers for their playing ability during the regular season:

- **Skill Level** – Each nominee must possess baseball skills in the top percentile of players within their age group, as determined by the regular season manager, All-Star manager and League Agent.
- **Attitude** – The player must demonstrate respect for other players, coaches, umpires and league officials.
- **Commitment** – Each player must be willing to commit him/herself completely to the All-Star team and the schedule as set forth by the manager and tournament officials. The player is required to attend **EVERY** practice and game and will not be excused without a valid reason. Unexcused absences, as determined by the manager, may be penalized up to and including removal from the All-Star team.
- **Regular Season Performance and Playing Ability** – High levels of regular season performance and playing ability will be recognized by managers.

To ensure that there is no misunderstanding between parents, players, and managers of All-Star teams regarding requirements, parents/legal guardians and players are required to sign the Riviera Little League All-Star Commitment Form before being considered for an All-star team.

All-Star Committee (ASC)

The Riviera All-Star Committee is comprised of the league's President, Vice President, Player Agent, Information Officer, Coach Coordinator, and the Jr/Int, Major, and Minor Division Player Agents. A member of the All-Star Committee cannot apply to manage or coach an All-Star team. If they choose to do so, a replacement Board member will take their spot on the Committee. The Committee is both accountable and responsible for the following:

- League-wide communication to Riviera members about key dates and activities associated with the Little League All-Star tournament
- Definition and implementation of all All-Star team-related nomination and selection processes
- Selection and approval of all All-Star managers and coaches
- Selection and approval of all All-Star team and player-related transactions (includes player removal/additions)
- Communication with the coaching staff - including orientation and enforcement of all Little League and Riviera rules, regulations, and policies
- Ordering of all All-Star-related equipment and uniforms that the League will provide

All-Star Team, Manager and Coach Selection Process

The Riviera Little League All-Star team selection process is multifaceted and is designed to be as objective and fair as possible to all players who are eligible to be evaluated for an All-Star team.

Player Eligibility and Selection Process

Player Eligibility Criteria:

- ALL players will be required to complete the Player Commitment Form. All forms need to be signed and returned. Completing the form **DOES NOT** guarantee a spot on the team.
- Candidates must live or go to school within the boundaries of Riviera Little League.
- Candidates must meet the Little League age requirements
- Candidates will be required to submit proof that they meet all Little League required age and residency (or school) requirements, including an original birth certificate.

Selection Process:

- Managers should evaluate players during the regular season by attending games and talking to the regular season managers and League Agents to get insights on potential candidates.

- Roster size will be set at a 14 player minimum unless a lower number is approved by the All-Star Committee. [Maximum number as determined by Little League regulations.]
- All eligible players who wish to be candidates as indicated on their Player Commitment Form will be placed on their Division's ballot.
- All Major Players will vote for 18 players for the 11U team and 18 players for the 12U team. All Minor Players will vote for 18 players total for the two 9/10U teams. If there are more than 18 candidates, all Intermediate players will vote for 18 players.
- Instructions will be provided on the ballot and enforced by League representatives. Players will be allowed to vote for teammates and/or themselves. No write-in candidates are allowed. All ballots will be reviewed for legitimate submission.
- The All-Star Committee will tally the votes. Players will be ranked from highest (most votes) to lowest. All ties will favor the players. Any player receiving less than two votes will be removed from the selections process.

Intermediate 13U All-Star Team

- Eligible players playing solely in the Intermediate Division shall make the All-Star team before players playing in multiple divisions.
- The All-Star Manager and Division Player Agent will select the 13 and/or 14 starting players and alternates.

Major Division 11U and 12U All-Star Teams

- The top 7 players with the most votes for each of the 11U and 12U teams will make the All-Star team.
- A selection pool of players will be formed from the remaining candidates. From that pool, the Major managers will select the remaining 11 players to be on each of the 11U and 12U All-Star teams.
- At least one player from each team will be represented on EITHER the 11U or 12U All-Star team.
- From the 18 chosen All-Star players on each team, the Major managers will then determine the starting 12 players and 6 alternates.
- The All-Star Manager will select the 13th and/or 14th starting player from the 6 alternates.

Minor Division 9/10U All-Star Teams

- The top 8 players selected with the most votes will make an All-Star team.
- A selection pool of players will be formed from the remaining candidates. From that pool, the Minor managers will select the remaining 24 All-Star players.
- At least one player from each team will be represented.

- From the 32 All-Star players chosen, the Minor managers will then determine the starting 14 players for the first “A” Team, starting 12 players for the second “B” Team, and 6 alternates.
- The “B” Team All Star Manager will select the 13th and/or 14th starting player for the “B” Team from the 6 alternates.
- The remaining alternates will be split between the two teams by the All-Star Managers.
- Sportsmanship plays a major role in being on a Riviera All-Star team. Poor attitude and behavior will not be tolerated and is reason to reject a candidate’s nomination.
- Alternates will be given equal practice time and included in scrimmages.
- Manger voting will be individual with no collaborative process amongst other managers.
- Final rosters need to be approved by the All-Star Committee and the Riviera Board and sent out in accordance with Little League regulations. The Board of Directors can correct gross imbalances to pre-announced All-Star teams and remove any player for improper behavior or conduct deemed not in the best interest of Riviera Little League at any time.

All-Star Manager/Coach Selection Process

Manager/Coach Selection Process:

Candidates must be in good standing with the league, have excellent knowledge of Little League rules, be able to meet extensive time commitments, and have managed or coached a Riviera regular season team within the division of the All-Star team they want to manage.

All mangers/coaches interested in managing a Riviera All-Star Team will be required to fill out the Manager/Coach Commitment Form. Candidates who do not submit a commitment form will not be eligible for consideration. Forms should be completed and returned via email to the All-Star Committee.

The All-Star Committee will review the completed forms and approve all eligible candidates.

Final candidates will be approved by the All-Star Committee and sent to the Riviera Board for final approval. The Board of Directors can remove, at any time, any manager or coach for improper behavior or conduct not deemed in the best interest of Riviera Little League.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

When do practices and games begin? Coaches and players selected to an All-Star team are committing to a 3 to 4 week (possibly longer) intensive baseball schedule. Practices will start at the beginning of June. The estimated time frame for the District 27

tournament is from June 22nd – July 3rd. If the team advances to the Section 4 Tournament, the estimated time frame is July 13th – 18th. A team may advance even further. Coaches and players selected can expect to practice several times a week and to play multiple baseball games. Coaches and players unable to meet this type of schedule should not choose to coach or play in All-Stars.

What documentation is required? Original birth certificate AND three proof of residency documents from the approved list or Little League School Enrollment Form before practice begins. These documents will be returned after verification by District 27.

What are the fees for participation? Players are responsible for all team and player costs (i.e. uniforms, umpire cost for scrimmage games, etc.). We also understand that if the team advances and it requires travel, the players and their families will incur additional costs related to hotel, transportation, gas, food, entertainment, etc.

What about uniforms? All uniforms will be standard among all Riviera LL All-Star teams and paid for by the parents. Styles and colors are to be determined by the Riviera All-Star Committee. No alterations to the uniforms will be allowed.

Which tournaments do we participate in? Riviera Little League participates in District 27, Section 4, Division 3, and Regional tournaments.

What if I have additional questions not covered here? Please contact an All-Star Committee member or you may call or e-mail RLL's main line, and we will be happy to assist you.

2019 Key Dates/Deadlines

- **April 22** – Commitment forms sent out
- **April 23** – Players begin submitting commitment forms to their managers
- **April 29** – **Commitment forms due from ALL players**
- **April 30** – **Managers must turn in Commitment forms between 6-7pm at RLL**
- **May 2-5** – Players vote. Check for your team's time slot. **ALL players must vote.** If you can't make your team time slot, pick a team's time slot you can attend.
- **May 9** – **Major Manager Meeting 7pm**
- **May 10** – **Minor Manager Meeting 6pm**