



2019 All Star Information Letter

Dear Parents,

This information packet is put together to give every league member information about the South Huntington Beach Girls Fastpitch Softball All Star Program.

The All Star Program is completely separate from the Recreational (Rec) Season and therefore some clarification is being provided. The Rec Season is about individual instruction, learning the rules of the game, opportunities for every girl to play multiple positions, and fun. The All Star season is about team competition, developing advanced skills, instilling a winning attitude, and fun. Since there is a significant difference between Rec Season and All Star season, it is very important to set expectations for the 2019 All Star season.

Players shall:

- Attend all practices and games on time
- Accept whatever role the Manager places on you
- Be willing to play positions that are unfamiliar to you
- Present a positive attitude and support your teammates
- Understand that the team is more important than the player

Parents shall:

- Support your coaches and your daughter's teammates
- Be positive towards your daughter, teammates, coaches, opposing team, and umpire at every All Star event
- Consider the team's success as a success for your daughter and a rewarding experience
- Address any concerns off the field at a mutually agreed time. Do not approach coaches during warm-up, games or practices. Failure to adhere to this expectation will result in parents being suspended from participating in any events.
- Participate in fundraising efforts along with the players

The All Star season is very demanding on an entire family encompassing two to three months of weekend tournaments (depends upon division and success of the team) including an overnight stay travel tournament in San Diego, California. SHB has negotiated a deal with Embassy Suites La Jolla for a room rate of \$214 per night for this holiday weekend plus 10% tax. Hotel parking is \$12 per night.

Submit your 2019 **All Star Application** to your coach no later than April 27, 2019 if you would like your daughter to be considered to participate in this program. The All Star timeline is VERY aggressive once May 1st arrives and you will be notified after that date if your daughter is selected to participate on a team. If she is not selected, please let her know she did a great job this season, but the competition is very tough. For questions regarding the selection process, please contact Steffen Catron, SHB President, at steffen.catron@SHBGFS.org.

By submitting the application and having your daughter accept selection to a team; you are confirming that you understand the following commitments.

Financial

- The base financial commitment is approximately \$425.00 per player. This covers a HIGH quality uniform, all tournament fees, and ASA player card. 100% of this money is spent on all-stars (there is no residual profit to the league).
- Additional costs for helmet, jacket, bag and other optional clothing items.
- The travel tournament in San Diego will involve additional expenses (hotel, meals, etc.)
- Teams that advance to the state and/or national tournaments will incur additional fees and travel expenses.

Time

- Tournament dates are listed on the All Star Application
- Tournaments generally start on Fridays and end on Sundays
- Team managers will determine the practice days. Most teams have three to four 2-hour practices per week, plus additional time for pitchers and catchers. Practices will start approximately May 7, 2019.

Team

- Playing time and defensive positions are NOT guaranteed.

The SHB GFS would like to remind our parents and players that participation in the All Star program is an opportunity that requires a new level of commitment where your daughters are being exposed to a high level of competition!

Thank you for your interest in the SHB GFS All Star Program.

Steffen Catron
President, SHBGFS



2019 All Star Player Selection Process

Due to USA Softball rules and regulations, All Star Player nominations and selection cannot begin until May 1, 2019. South Huntington Beach (SHB) Girls Fastpitch Softball league shall choose Players for the All Star season based upon the following:

Eligibility

- All financial obligations must be met to the league including any required shifts worked for sponsorship.
- Player must have participated in at least 75% of her team's league games.
- Player must not have played or participated on a travel ball type team after March 31, 2019.
- Player/Parents must have returned All Star application completed filled out and signed by April 27, 2019.

Selection Process

- All Star selection occurs on or after April 28, 2019.
- Each Manager will nominate players from their team.
- All Managers will vote for All Star selections. No Manager may vote for players on their own team.
- All Star Managers will immediately contact Players and inform them of their team selection.
- Players may not opt out of Gold in order to Play Silver

Once again, playing All Stars is a privilege and should be treated that way. Previous All Start participation does not influence this year's selection and no selection is guaranteed. If your daughter does not get selected to participate this year, please remind her of the tough competition and the opportunity to work for next year's selection. We are looking forward to another exciting All Star season. Please contact me with any questions.

Steffen Catron
President, SHBGFS



2019 All Star Player Application

Player's Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____ Division: _____ U _____

1) I have read the All Star Commitment Letter; I understand and commit to the expectations.

Yes No

2) Are you available to practice any night of the week and weekends May – July?

Yes No If No, why? _____

3) Can you make the following tournaments?

ALL STAR TOURNAMENTS	DATE	YES/NO	IF NO, WHY?
Rancho Trabuco	5/17-5/19		
San Dieguito	5/24-5/27		
SHB	5/31-6/2		
Irvine	6/7-6/9		
Laguna Niguel (Gold only)	6/14-6/16		
"C" Districts (Silver only)	6/14-6/16		
"B" Districts (Gold only)	6/21-6/23		
"C" State (Silver only)	6/28-6/30		
"B" State (Gold only)	7/5-7/7		

4) Do you have any other sports, vacation time, birthdays or other activities that may affect your participation in any All Star activities?

Yes No If Yes, what? _____

5) T-shirt size _____

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____

Application must be returned to your Coach by April 27, 2019