

# All-Star Process and Information

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We're excited to share information about the Rockford Little League All-Star program—one of the most competitive and rewarding parts of the season. The All-Star season is a separate postseason experience where selected players represent RLL in tournament play, with opportunities to advance to District, State, and beyond.

Our goal is to ensure a fair, transparent, and competitive selection process focused on:

- **Skill and performance**
- **Sportsmanship and attitude**
- **Teamwork and leadership**

## ALL STAR ELIGIBILITY

Players are eligible for RLL All-Star team if they meet all the criteria established in the following:

1. Any player League age 8-13, with proper documentation (must provide birth certificate)
2. The individual has participated as an eligible player in **8 games** of the regular season games. This rule may be waived by the RLL board permitting a player to be eligible for selection provided a physician's note documenting an injury or illness prior to or during the season prohibiting his/her participation.
3. Meets Little League residency or school eligibility requirements (must be able to provide documentation)
4. Any player who does not reside in or the school they attend is not WITHIN RLL boundaries must have an approved waiver issued by the Charter Committee at Little League International.
5. Commit to the All-Star participation requirements.

If the player does not reside in or the school they attend is not within RLL boundaries, the player must have an approved waiver issued by the Charter Committee at Little League International.

## ALL STAR NOMINATIONS

- Tryouts are by **INVITATION ONLY**, based on coach nominations
- Additional players may be invited by the All-Star Committee
- Families may opt out by emailing the league [rockfordlittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:rockfordlittleleague@gmail.com)

## ALL STAR TRYOUTS

- All players must attend tryouts to be considered
- Registration opens 30 minutes prior
- Required documents must be submitted at check-in (hard copies only)
- Missing documents = ineligible for All-Stars

Tryouts are conducted by independent evaluators using consistent scoring at each station. All players are evaluated using the same criteria.

## TIMELINE

Key timing:

- Selection will begin no later than 3 weeks before first tournament game.
- Teams cannot be announced earlier than Little League rules allow.
- Practices begin immediately after selection (approximately June 8).
- Tournament play begins mid-June. Start dates vary by division-please reference **the 26' All Star Tournament link on our website.**

Advancement Opportunities:

- District → State → Regional → Little League World Series (for older teams)
- \*\*\*ALL dates are subject to change according to the current year's Little League Tournament Dates.

## SELECTION PROCESS

Rosters are based on:

- Tryout performance
- Regular season performance and attendance
- Attitude, sportsmanship, and teamwork
- Team needs (ensuring enough catchers or pitchers)

Teams will be placed in the following order:

1. 12U
2. 11U
3. 10U
4. 9U

## PLAYER NOTIFICATION

Selected players will be notified by the Player Agent and must accept by the specified deadline noted in the offer letter.

Any player who declines their offer or does not respond will not be eligible for placement on any other All-Star roster.

Final rosters will be made available to Rockford LL by June 6 via email and/or the league's Facebook page. This communication will also serve to inform families of players who were not selected for an All-Star team.

# 2026 Rockford Little League All-Star Player / Parent Commitment

- Both parent(s) and players realize that they are representatives of Rockford Little League (RLL) and will honor and exemplify the principles of Little League at all times. This includes playing ability, sportsmanship and respect for other players, coaches, and umpires.
- I/we will be prepared and available for all practices. Practices will start around **June 8** and could be as frequent as 6 days a week. I/we realize that my/my child's presence is crucial to the success and morale of the team. Unexcused absences from team practices or failure to appear at scheduled tournament games due to reasons other than illness, injury or family emergency may result in a player's release from the team by the All-Star Committee and could affect consideration of that player for future RLL All-Star teams. Vacations are not considered excused absences. In fairness to his/her teammates and the league, I/we give our assurance that I/we will be available to attend practices and games.
- I/we understand that it is expected to be available for the entire tournament schedule.
- I/we realize that the stages of some tournaments are district, state, and national. We pledge continued commitment through ensuing rounds of the tournament until tournament play concludes, or the team is eliminated.
- I/we realize that the commitment to the RLL All-star team comes before any other non-Little League team or to any other sports camps or sports teams during the All-Star season.
- I/we understand that the player may be asked to play in different positions than played during the regular season.
- I/we understand that minimum playing time is one at-bat.
- As parents, we understand that we must provide the Player Agent of RLL with a copy of the birth certificate, proof of residency (hard copies of 3 approved documents) or a school enrollment form, and the LL medical release form as per Little League International Baseball rules at All-Star tryouts or my child will not be eligible to participate. Returning 2025 All-Star Players will only need to submit an updated medical release form unless their school enrollment has changed.
- As parents, we understand that we will provide only positive reinforcement for players and to not "coach" my son/daughter during a game or practice.
- As parents, we understand that we are responsible for our attitudes and behavior toward coaches, players, other parents, spectators, and umpires. Unruly and disruptive parents are the single greatest contributor to a negative All-Star experience for coaches, players, and parents. RLL expects parents to be supportive and encouraging throughout the All-Star season and during all practices and games.

**PLAYER AGREEMENT** As a player, I agree to all the requirements outlined in this form. I also understand that I may be asked to play different positions, and I may not get as much "playing time" as during the regular season. I also understand that collectively we will strive for the common goal of our best effort and performance as a team. If selected, I promise to support my team by playing my best at all times and by always being positive and respectful towards my teammates, coaches, umpires, fans and opposing teams at all times.

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(Player signature)

(Date)

**PARENT AGREEMENT** As a parent of this player, I agree to all conditions of participation as outlined in this form. I understand and agree to support the time commitment and involvement of my child in the RLL All-Star team if my child is selected. I will help support my son/daughter, the team, the League, and the coaches to make the All-Star experience a fun and memorable one. I will keep a positive attitude and will help encourage my child's attitude, enthusiasm, and effort. I understand that my being disruptive can lead to me and/or my child being asked to leave the team.

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(Parent/guardian signature)

(Date)

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(Parent/guardian signature)

(Date)

- If my player is not selected to an All-Star team, I would like my documents shredded.
  
- If my player is not selected to an All-Star team, I would like my documents returned to me.

# Required Forms to Play 2026 All-Stars

## Forms

Required forms to be provided to the Player Agent (hard copies only, emailed documents will not qualify):

1. Signed RLL All-Star Player/Parent Commitment
2. Birth certificate in its entirety. Nothing can be blacked out!
3. School enrollment form if player attends a school within RLL boundaries (which does **NOT** include Edgerton Trails). If player resides inside of RLL boundaries but attends a school outside RLL boundaries, proof of residency will be accepted as an alternative to the school enrollment form.
  - **Returning 2025 All Stars only need to submit an updated School enrollment form if there school has changed (i.e., elementary school to middle school).**
4. Completed LL Medical Release Waiver.
5. Proof of Residency documents

Medical Release: [medical release form.pdf \(dt5602vnjxv0c.cloudfront.net\)](https://www.littleleague.org/downloads/medical-release-form.pdf)

School enrollment form: <https://www.littleleague.org/downloads/school-enrollment-form/>

Residency checklist: <https://www.littleleague.org/downloads/residency-checklist/>

Players will be eligible for All-Stars with that league only if they reside, or the physical location of the school where they attend classes is within the boundaries provided to and approved by Little League International. A player will be deemed to reside within the league boundaries if:

- His/her parents are living together and are residing within such league boundaries, **OR**;
- Either of the player's parents (or his/her court-appointed legal guardian) reside within such boundaries.

**Proof of residency is only accepted in place of the School Enrollment Form if the player lives within RLL boundaries but attends school outside of RLL boundaries.**

**Proof of Residency shall be established and supported by:**

Documents containing the full residence which includes parent(s) or court-appointed guardian(s) name, street address, city, state, and zip code information, dated or in force between February 1, 2025, and February 1, 2026, from **ONE** or more documents from **EACH** of the **THREE** Groups outlined below:

Group 2-Choose at least ONE of the following		
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's license	<input type="checkbox"/> Welfare/childcare records	<input type="checkbox"/> Voter's registration
<input type="checkbox"/> School records	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal records (e.g., federal tax, social security, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility bill (e.g., gas, electric, phone, heating, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle records (e.g., registration, lease, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> State Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial records (loan, credit, investments, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment records	<input type="checkbox"/> Local (municipal) records	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical records
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance documents	<input type="checkbox"/> Support payment records	<input type="checkbox"/> Internet, cable or satellite records
	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeowner or tenant records	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Military records	

**Note 1:** Any documents submitted as proof of residence must show customary usage or consumption to demonstrate Bonafide continuous habitation as determined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated in its discretion.

**Note 2:** Three documents from the same group constitutes as ONE document.

**Note 3:** Certain documents may be used in different Groups but will count for only ONE Group per child. Example – if a water/sewer bill is used to satisfy Group 2 as a municipal record, that same bill cannot be used as a utility bill to satisfy Group 3.

**School Attendance shall be established and supported by:**

A document indicating enrollment for the current academic year 2025-2026, dated prior to October 1, 2025, and with the physical location of the school, from **ONE** of the following categories:

- The school enrollment form provided by Little League completed by the principal, assistant principal, or administrator.
- Official/Certified enrollment record

A player will be deemed to attend school in the boundaries if: The physical location of the school where they attend classes is within the boundaries established by the local league.

**Note:** This excludes home schools, cyber schools, sports-related schools, sports academies, or preschool or after school where a student participates outside of the primary school the player is enrolled in.

School attendance refers to the physical location the player in question attends school during the traditional academic year. Once established, a location of school attendance shall not be considered changed unless the child is enrolled and attends another school or is no longer enrolled in the previous school, i.e., changing from an elementary school to a middle school.

Players and their parents/guardians are advised that a false statement of residence or school attendance may lead to ineligibility to play Little League Baseball or Softball.