

# 2014 East Coast Showcase Rules and Information Packet

We are looking forward to the College Showcase coming up very quickly, and your team's participation. Here are some notes about the tournament of which you should be aware:

## **Tournament Director**

Your tournament director for the weekend is Chris Mietlicki. You can reach Chris at 703-447-0283 or cmietlicki@verizon.net

#### Weather Outlook

We always hope for the best this time of year. Some of you played with us in the past and know that we are committed to playing. We plan to get as many of the games in, even in the event of bad weather. Please check the web site frequently for updates. If you are traveling here, consider having someone appointed to check our web site often, particularly if the forecast looks bad.

#### **Roster**

If you would like to be in the college coach handout, please be sure to return your completed profile to us by **Friday evening**, **October 24** We will be going to print, so any missing will not make it. If we don't have your completed form, your team's players will not be included. Please email it to tournaments@Baseliners.org.

We won't make an issue of the rostered players. There is not championship play, so we are not looking for birth certificates, etc.

# **College Coaches Attending**

Some of you have asked about attendance. Our showcase has historically been well attended by many colleges. A list of the colleges that have attended and are anticipated to attend again this year is on the website. If you have profile books, please bring them to the tower at Potomack Lakes on Saturday.

#### **Game Rules**

This is a Showcase. The purpose is to show the girls. There is free substitution, and you can bat your line up. Other than that, we'll be following the ASA Rulebook. Don't be surprised, though, if the umpires also apply college rules. We've brought several college level umpires to the tournament. No protests are allowed. Please be aware that any coach ejected from this tournament will not be permitted to attend a Baseliners-sponsored tournament for one year. The college coaches are here to see the girls, not you.

With the weather expected to be cooler, we will allow sweatpants and shirts. We will ask that your girls wear the wristbands, though, so the coaches can see them.

I can't tell you how to conduct your team, but we do recommend you let your girls know that college coaches watch on-and-off-the field attitude and hustle. I've watched more than one coach over the years completely discount a team when the girls act up in the dugout.

All pitching rubbers will be 43'.

Metal cleats allowed.

10 minutes prior to each game scheduled start time, coaches and umpires meet behind home plate to review rules, perform coin flip, and exchange information, as required. This is requested to make sure we remain on schedule.

Game time is limited to 1:20 (80 minutes) and will DROP DEAD upon completion of the player at bat once time has expired. This time limit will be strictly enforced.

### What You Need To Do At the Tournament

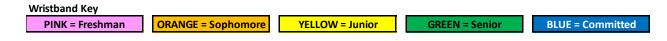
You must provide proof of team insurance at check in.

The roster form we've asked you to download and complete is the only one you need. The purpose of this tournament is to showcase the girls. We will not be entertaining roster challenges at this tournament.

A team representative must check in 45 minutes before your first game of the showcase begins to show proof of insurance, pick up a copy of the schedule, and pick up the wristbands.

Check in will be at the complex of your first game. For teams starting their play at Claude Moore, check in will be at fields 1 and 2 at the tower in the lower field area. (Teams playing their first game of the weekend on fields 9 and 10 (upper field area) should have a representative check in at fields 1/2.)

Player wristbands should be worn by players to make it easier for the college coaches to determine their class and availability. As noted above, they can be picked up from the site director when you check in before your first game. Committed is for players that have committed to play softball at a college/university already.



Lastly, we want to wish a great showcase for every team participating. Enjoy your stay and thanks for being part of one of the greatest east coast showcases in Northeastern US.

Chris Mietlicki Tournament Director