

## **FOOTHILLS FURY PARENT MEETING (\*INSERT AGE CATEGORY) - DATE**

### **INTRODUCTIONS (\*INCLUDE CONTACT INFORMATION)**

Head Coach:

Assistant Coaches:

Team Manager:

1<sup>st</sup> Aid Coordinator:

Additional Position: Eg. Scorekeeper/Umpires/etc.



### **EQUIPMENT**

As a parent, you are responsible for outfitting your athlete in the apparel they require:

- Black ball pants/Teal belt/Black knee high socks
- Ball Glove/Jill protective gear/ CSA approved helmet with dual ear flaps, fastened chin strap, and attached face mask and Fielding Masks will be mandatory for the infield.
- Proper softball cleats (NO metal cleats or spikes).
- No exposed jewelry allowed.
- Optional – Black tank top, short sleeve or long sleeves for under jerseys, sliding shorts/pants.
- A Foothills Fury Jersey will be supplied to the athletes\*

\* A \$60 deposit will be required at the time of receiving your jersey for the season, upon the return of the jersey, your deposit will be returned to you.

### **TEAM OBJECTIVES (\*THESE ARE COMPLETELY UP TO YOU AS A COACH, DEPENDING ON YOUR PHILOSOPHY)**

#### **100% EFFORT, 100% OF THE TIME**

- Focus will be on overall player/team development
- Compete at a high level – this has nothing to do with winning, but may be an outcome of it
- **RESPECT** the game, your opponent, your teammates, your coaches, your parents and most importantly YOURSELVES
- Never question an umpire's call and never throw your bat or glove in frustration.
- Consequence = bench for the rest of the game (minimum)**
- Inappropriate actions or words targeted at teammates, opposing players, parents or coaches will not be tolerated.
- Consequence = bench for the rest of the game (minimum)**

#### **WE NEVER LOSE – WE ONLY WIN, OR LEARN**

- LISTEN, LEARN and have FUN!
- We are firm believers that SUCCESS on the field is directly related to the encouragement that the athletes get when they are off the field. If the parents get along – the players will get along and success will follow.
- We will live by the values of sportsmanship, skills, commitment and competition, resulting in an increased confidence in our athletes

### **TEAM RULES**

**All players (and their parents) are expected to:**

- Arrive to all games **1 HOUR** prior to start time and practices **15 minutes** prior to start time. This will ensure proper warm up and give the coaches time to adjust line ups or drills as necessary.
- Practices are the best times for a player to prove they deserve more playing time. Work hard and get rewarded. If a player had any concerns about their playing time or what they need to improve on, please have them talk to one of the coaches. We will more than willing to work with them to help them improve.

- If during game/practice day you are going to be late due to things out of your control – please UPDATE TeamSnap as soon as possible, contact the Coaches/Team Manager at your earliest convenience, so we may plan accordingly.
- Have uniforms tucked in, hair pulled back, no jewellery – Not only are we representing our team, we are representing the Fury Association and our community.
- If you would like to work on skills with your daughters at home, please be sure to ask your coaches how we are teaching those skills so the techniques stay consistent. Our methods of coaching are based on the Alberta Minor Softball Association coaching clinics and have been implemented as the standard for the Foothills Fury.
- **Our Social Media Policy is very important to us and will not be taken lightly. This is a zero-tolerance policy. Please read and understand the policy and its consequences.**
- **ONLY** team players and coaches on the bench – no siblings, friends, or parents please.
- During games and practices we ask that the COACHES are the only ones COACHING. This will ensure that the girls are not getting mixed messages or confused about what we are asking them to do.
- We encourage ENCOURAGEMENT – but will ask that constant ‘CHEERING’ from the bench be kept to a minimum. This is not RESPECTFUL to the other team, your teammates or to the game.
- PARENTS - If a player is hurt or has an injury PLEASE be sure that the 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Coordinator/Coaches/Manager are made aware as soon as possible.

**We will be implementing the 24 HOUR RULE when it comes to any issues that a parent may have regarding their child’s treatment or playing time. These concerns should go to OUR MANAGER first, and she will discuss with the coaches and it will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.**

#### **PLAYING TIME**

Working hard, applying yourself and character will be the basis for playing time. Playing time will always be FAIR, but will not necessarily always be EQUAL. This is a competitive division team, and as such, decisions will be made during the season to help the TEAM achieve their goals. (This can be changed based on the level of your team).

#### **LEAGUE PLAY**

Playing time is fair, positional play is fair between infield and outfield. A player may play numerous positions, if desired. However, we will take a more strategic approach when it comes to pitching, catching and infield positions. As league play approaches the end of the year, we may begin limiting the number of pitchers being used so that the top pitchers can get enough innings of work to keep progressing.

**The goal of our league play is to give the athletes a chance to develop their skills and demonstrate their capabilities.**

#### **TOURNAMENTS**

All girls WILL play, however, we will be taking a more competitive approach when it comes to positional play.

**The goal of tournament play is to compete and put forth the best team to be as successful as we can.**

#### **CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All girls WILL play, however, we will be taking a more competitive approach when it comes to positional play.

**The goal of City Championships play is to compete and put forth the best team to be as successful as we can and moving towards Provincials.**

## PROVINCIALS

Great effort will be made to get each girl playing time at Provincials, but we will be playing the players that we feel will give us the best results at each position.

NOTE: during Provincials only the 9 players that are in the field will be batting. This is different than League and Tournament play.

## BUDGETING/FUNDRAISING (\*REMEMBER TO CHECK THE FUNDRAISING POLICY)

This is our budget to start off the season with. This can adapt and be altered throughout the season, so if you have any questions in regards to it, please ask (\*INSERT TEAM MANAGER'S NAME)

Money coming in		Money going out	
Item	Amount	Item	Amount
Online Silent Auction (est.)	\$1,500.00	Strathmore May 3-5 (FURY)	\$ 450.00
Bottle Drive (est.)	\$500.00	Nosecreek May 10-12 estimate	\$ 450.00
Fertilizer Sales (132 units @ \$30 each)	\$1,465.00	Buck Schrader May 24-26 (JONNY)	\$ 350.00
Sponsorship option	\$500.00	SBR May 31-June 2 estimate	\$ 450.00
		Fury June 7-9	\$ -
		Provincials July 5-7	\$ 400.00
		Team Gear (est. \$80/girl [11] incl. socks)	\$ 880.00
		Umpires (\$40/game - 10 games at most)	\$ 400.00
		Tourn. Refreshments/Meal	\$ 585.00
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,965.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,965.00</b>

**Online Silent Auction** - Will run from *Date/Time* and will finish on *Date/Time*. If anyone has anything to add, please let us know.

Current items:

- ❖ XXXX (valued at \$XX.XX)
- ❖ Lady's Gift Card Basket (6 Gift Cards x \$25 = \$150) - 6 parents to supply 1 gift card each
- ❖ Men's Gift Card Basket (6 Gift Cards x \$25 = \$150) - 5 parents to supply 1 gift card each

If we make 80% of "valued at" on the items above = \$XX.XX

**Important Dates (\*Think about including a calendar of April/May/June/July of what to expect)**

Please see attached Calendar of Events

- One weekly practice night, Thursday nights.
- Once we have completed City Finals, practices/exhibition games can vary and become more frequent as we move closer to provincials.

**HOTEL BOOKINGS (\*INCLUDE IF YOU KNOW SOME TOURNAMENTS YOU WILL BE ATTENDING)**

DATES – Buck Schrader Tournament – Henry Singer Park – St. Albert

DATES – Provincials – Henry Singer Park – St. Albert

Wingate by Wyndham Edmonton West

Credit Card is required to guarantee an individual booking

18220 – 100 Avenue

Edmonton, AB T5S 2V2

(780) 443-1000

<b>Deluxe Hot Breakfast</b>	eggs, sausage, waffles, fruit, cereals, pastries, yogurt, and assorted hot and cold beverages
<b>Pet Friendly</b>	must request at the time of booking (additional fee per night)
<b>Indoor Water Park</b>	featuring a waterslide and whirlpool

DATES Booking Code = **XXX** Deadline to book = **DATE**

We have 15 rooms booked off, must request pet friendly if needed (extra charge per night)

- 15 x 2 Queen beds - \$XX per night

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- 4 x 1 King bed and Queen pull out sofa - \$XX per night
- 8 x 2 Queen beds - \$XX per night
- 3 x 1 King bed with 1 Queen pull out sofa, living room in an open concept - \$XX per night

Thank you so much for coming tonight. We are very excited and can't wait to get started!!!! **PLAY BALL!!**