



## Amity Babe Ruth Community:

We wanted to give everyone who has registered for the 2020 Spring season an update since our last email when we placed all of our baseball activities on hold ... We all know how serious the COVID-19 virus has quickly become and continues to spread in CT. I participated in a conference call this past Sunday afternoon with CT State Cal Ripken & Babe Ruth Officials pertaining to the status of the 2020 Spring season - essentially due to the uncertainty of the Coronavirus, it is evident no one can accurately predict if and even when this virus will subside enough to make it safe for people to begin going about with their normal lives - very much an unknown currently and they unfortunately predicted many Leagues could be canceling their Spring programs.

As the stay-at-home mandate from the US Government has now been extended to April 30<sup>th</sup> (at a minimum but realistically we believe could be much longer) and our belief that Schools will not reopen until this Fall, CT Babe Ruth District 2 has rightfully concluded to cancel our Spring season altogether and as such, we will be refunding the Registration \$\$ back to our parents. We understand some are / could be out of work due to the shutdown at this time and could use the \$\$. In addition, we were also not certain how many of our parents who registered their children would even allow them to play at all, if / when we were actually cleared to play.

Therefore, we will be issuing full refunds to all those who have registered and paid in the near future via the Credit Card you used. I am personally devastated that we have to do this and feel terrible for our kids but believe this is the right decision for us to make at this point.

We understand BR District 2 is currently investigating the possibility of restarting the 2020 Babe Ruth baseball season on or about May  $26^{th}$  for the summer thru the end of July - this date appears to be very optimistic from what we know and hear at the moment. However, they would like each League to inform them how many Teams of 13 Prep & 15U we might be able to form, if any at all, should be fully cleared to safely play without fear of this virus.

We will therefore develop an on - line form that we will send to all parents of potential Amity BR players for you to indicate whether or not you might be interested in having your children participate in this summer program. If we can generate enough interest in each age group (minimum of 14), we will then wait and see - if we can safely be released to play, we can send out Invoices at that time. Stay tuned for further developments

We are living in very unsettled times at the moment and we all need to be extremely cognizant how dangerous this Coronavirus has become - the safety of everyone is and always should be our utmost priority. Please take good care of your families, hunker down at home as they are requesting and if there are any further updates, I will be back in touch at that time - stay safe and God Bless you all !!

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