

**PENDER COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION
RECREATION PARTNERS PROGRAM
2016-2017 GRANT APPLICATION**

PLEASE COMPLETELY ADDRESS ALL ITEMS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED. IF NECESSARY, USE ADDITIONAL SHEET(S).

Organization: **Burgaw Dixie Youth**

Mailing Address: **PO Box 1787, Burgaw, NC 28425**

Contact Person: **Chris Eaves** Title: **President**

Email: **ceaves911@gmail.com** Phone #: **910-470-7541**

Organization's Website address (if applicable) **www.burgaw-dixie-youth.siplay.com**

1. Provide a brief description of the organization's mission, goals and programs.

Burgaw Dixie Youth strives to provide a safe place and environment for all children in western Pender County to have the opportunity to participate in baseball and softball. We offer baseball and softball for ages 4-19.

2. What geographic area(s) do you serve?

We have children participating in our program from Atkinson, Burgaw, Currie, Ivanhoe, Long Creek, Maple Hill, Penderlea, Rocky Point, Watha and Willard communities.

3. Amount of County funds being requested for program(s) to be held **July 2016- June 2017:**

\$ **3000**

4. Describe specifically how these County funds will be used within your organization. ***(Must meet eligibility requirements and match the detailed budget in Question 22).***

Baseball and softball equipment

Scholarships for those children who cannot afford to pay the registration fee

5. Does the organization have 501(c)3 status? Yes No *If yes, please attach a copy of your designation letter.*

6. List or attach the organization's current board (officers or principal leaders' names, phone numbers and term lengths; *please place an * by the contact name for Pender County Parks and Recreation purposes and include his/her e-mail address*). **Please note on the last page, there is a place for ALL officers/principal leaders to sign this grant form as to the content.**

Please see Attachment 1

7. Are the organization's board members elected and/or appointed? **Elected and Appointed**
Are elections held annually? Yes **X** No _____ If any board members are appointed, how are the appointments made; i.e. by entire Board, only the President/Chairperson, etc.
Please see By-Laws

8. How many Board meetings were held January 2014 through December 2014? **10**

9. Does the organization have By-Laws? Yes **X** No _____
If yes, are the By-Laws reviewed and updated annually? Yes **X** No _____
When is the last time the By-Laws were reviewed and updated? **November 2015**
(Please attach a copy of the most recent By-Laws) **Please see Attachment 2**

10. Does the organization do background checks on its board members, volunteers, paid staff, etc.?
Yes **X** No _____ If yes, what agency/company is used **KidSafe Plus**
What is the cost? **\$15-\$25** If no, why not?

11. What recreational programs/activities does the organization provide? What ages, gender, etc. do these programs/activities serve?

Boys and girls participate in our program in the following age brackets:

Dixie Youth Baseball – Ages 4-12

Dixie Boys – Ages 13-14

Dixie Pre-Majors – Ages 15-16

Dixie Majors – Ages 17-19

Dixie Softball – Ages 4-19

12. What are the organization's participation policies?

We follow Dixie Youth and Dixie Softball national rules which state that all children must participate in the game.

13. Actual number of participants served **January 2015 – December 2015** 320

Were any of these participants out-of-county? Yes _____ No If yes, how many? _____

14. Projected number of participants to be served **July 2016 – June 2017?** 325

Do you anticipate any of these participants out-of-county? Yes _____ No If yes, how many? _____

If your participant numbers increased or decreased significantly from last year/last season, please explain why this happened.

15. Does the organization charge a registration/program fee to participants? Yes No _____

If so, how much is the fee for this year/season? ***\$40 per player for T-Ball and Sweetees; \$50 per player for Midget, Minor, Major Baseball, Darlings, Angels, Ponytails, Belles Softball; \$90 for Dixie Boys, Dixie Pre-Majors and Dixie Majors*** _____

Do you discount for multiple family members within the same household? Yes _____ No

If yes, what is the discount? \$ _____

How much did you charge last year/season? \$ same _____

Reason for increase/decrease:

If the organization does not charge a fee to participants, why not?

16. How does the organization handle the situation when a participant is not financially able to pay the fee?

We use part of the County funds received to pay for those who are unable to pay the registration fee

17. Does the organization have a written procedure/policy for the receiving and depositing money? Yes No _____ (*Please attach if applicable*). If no, what procedures are used to ensure that monies are handled appropriately? ***Please see By-Laws***

18. Does the organization have a written procedure/policy for spending money (i.e. over X amount, the board must approve the expenditure)? Yes No (*Please attach if applicable*). If no, what procedures are used to ensure that monies are spent appropriately? ***Please see By-Laws***

19. Is the organization audited annually? Yes No

If yes, by whom? ***Audit Committee made up of Burgaw Dixie Youth members***

Please attach a copy of your most recent audit or financial report. (If no, the organization must bring its financial records to the meeting with the Recreation Advisory Board and Staff for their review).

20. What is the organization's amount of cash on hand (including **ALL** monies; checking, savings, CDs, etc.) \$ 34,306.70 (*Please attach a copy of the most current bank statement(s)*). List any and all intended uses of these funds. ***Please see Attachment 3***

Need to purchase uniforms, baseball and softball equipment, pay umpires, purchase concession stand supplies, trophies, field maintenance supplies, etc.

21. Describe any program development issues and/or trends that the organization has faced in the past couple of years and/or anticipates facing in the upcoming years.

22. The organization needs to *attach a detailed* (line-item) proposed budget for the fiscal year July 2015 – June 2016. It needs to include **all** anticipated sources of revenue (including County funds, Municipal funds, grants, donations, sponsorships, concessions, membership/participation fees, fundraising, etc.) and **all** anticipated expenditures. *You may use the attached form if needed.*

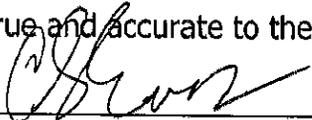
Please see Attachment 4

23. Does the organization have any paid staff other than umpires/referees (i.e. administrative, concession supervisor, scorekeeper, etc.)? Yes No If yes, please list what position(s) is (are) paid and the salary paid.

24. If there is any information that you feel the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and staff needs to know that was not addressed in the above items, please discuss below.

(Organization's Name)_Burgaw Dixie Youth Baseball Softball

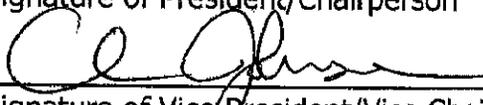
is true and accurate to the best of **our** knowledge.



Signature of President/Chairperson

3/9/16

Date



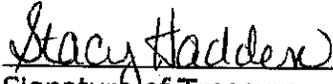
Signature of Vice President/Vice Chairperson

3/9/16

Date

Signature of Secretary

Date



Signature of Treasurer

3/9/16

Date

This must be signed by all of the above Board members!

If this signed affidavit is not turned in with your grant application then it must be turned in at your budget request review with the Recreation Advisory Board on March 12, 2015!!

Burgaw Dixie Youth
2017 Projected Income and Expenses

Income

Registration	\$16,250
Sponsorship	7,600
Fundraisers	8,000
Concessions	13,000
Pender County	<u>3,000</u>
	\$47,850

Expenses

Insurance/Franchise Fees	\$ 2,400
New Software required by National Dixie Youth	300
Uniforms	7,500
Equipment	7,000
Concessions	5,300
Advertising/PO Box/Office Supplies	1,500
Fundraisers	2,800
Background Checks	1,500
Umpires	13,000
Progress Energy	2,800
Field Maintenance Supplies	2,500
Trophies	<u>1,250</u>
	\$47,850



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BURGAU DIXIE YOUTH BALL
 LIGHTING ACCOUNT
 PO BOX 1787
 BURGAU NC 28425-1787

Your Account(s) At A Glance	
Checking Balance	9,908.74+



Statement Period: February 1, 2016 Thru February 29, 2016



Basic Business Checking

Enclosures In Statement: 0

Beginning Balance	9,908.74+
0 Deposits	0.00
0 Other Credits	0.00
0 Checks	0.00
0 Other Debits	0.00
Monthly Service Charge	0.00
Ending Balance	9,908.74+

Statement Period Days 29
 Average Ledger Balance 9,908.00+



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Your Account(s) At A Glance	
Checking Balance	5,486.63+



Statement Period: February 1, 2016 Thru February 29, 2016



Basic Business Checking

Enclosures In Statement: 0

Beginning Balance	6,143.75+	Statement Period Days	29
0 Deposits	0.00	Average Ledger Balance	5,962.00+
0 Other Credits	0.00		
1 Checks	657.12-		
0 Other Debits	0.00		
Monthly Service Charge	0.00		
Ending Balance	5,486.63+		

Checks Paid From Your Account

Check No.	Date	Amount
1644	02-22	657.12

*Prior Check Number(s) Not Included or Out of Sequence.

Daily Balance Summary

Date	Balance
02-22	5,486.63+



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BURGAU DIXIE YOUTH BALL
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Your Account(s) At A Glance	
Checking Balance	18,810.27+



Statement Period: February 1, 2016 Thru February 29, 2016



Premier Business Checking

Enclosures In Statement: 0

Beginning Balance	10,414.24+	Statement Period Days	29
1 Deposits	3,490.00+	Average Ledger Balance	12,778.00+
4 Other Credits	5,274.12+		
1 Checks	20.00-		
3 Other Debits	313.09-		
Monthly Service Charge	35.00-		
Ending Balance	18,810.27+		

Deposits To Your Account

Date	Amount
02-23	3,490.00

Other Credits To Your Account

Date	Description	Amount
02-04	Sportssignup.Com Custpay	309.24
02-10	Sportssignup.Com Custpay	549.51
02-17	Sportssignup.Com Custpay	734.03
02-24	Sportssignup.Com Custpay	3,681.34
Total		5,274.12

Checks Paid From Your Account

Check No.	Date	Amount
5133	02-22	20.00

*Prior Check Number(s) Not Included or Out of Sequence.

Other Debits From Your Account

Date	Description	Amount
02-03	Progressengycaro Drafts *****9315	16.34
02-04	Progressengycaro Drafts *****9315	196.75
02-22	Withdrawal 101 South Hwy 11 Burgaw NC A205 02-20 03532005921	100.00
Total		313.09



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Statement Period: February 1, 2016 Thru February 29, 2016

Monthly Service Charge Description

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total Items</u>	<u>Item Fee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
02-29	Monthly Maintenance	1	35.0000	35.00
Total				35.00

Daily Balance Summary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Balance</u>
02-03	10,397.90+	02-17	11,793.93+	02-24	18,845.27+
02-04	10,510.39+	02-22	11,673.93+	02-29	18,810.27+
02-10	11,059.90+	02-23	15,163.93+		



During this statement period, your account did not meet one or more of the balance requirements necessary to avoid monthly service charges. For information regarding the balance requirements on this account, please call our Customer Contact Center at 1-888-FC DIRECT (1-888-323-4732).

Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization

Constitution and Bylaws

The League shall be known as Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization Baseball and Softball League. The league shall be governed by the following Bylaws and those set forth by the Organization.

Article I. Purpose

It is the policy of Burgaw Dixie Youth Baseball and Softball to promote the development of strong character, a right attitude and a sense of responsibility and citizenship in boys and girls, using the game of baseball and softball as a vehicle. It is the purpose of Burgaw Dixie Youth to achieve this goal through fair play, good sportsmanship and congenial fellowship, with adult leaders providing the example. It is strictly against the policy of Burgaw Dixie Youth for any person, either as a participant or a spectator, to engage in arguments, to use abusive language, to harass umpires, or to exhibit any behavior not in concert with the general intent of this policy statement. Team coaches are required to abide by this policy statement, and all parents and other adults are strongly encouraged to do so.

Article II. Membership

1. To become a new member of Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization, persons must attend two regular season meetings and pay a membership fee of twenty-five dollars. (25.00)
2. Paid membership gives the member voting rights in general business meetings of Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization. You must be at least 18 years old to vote, coach, umpire, or hold an office.

Article III. Officers

The Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization shall consist of the following Elected Officers:

*President

*Baseball Commissioner/Vice President

*Softball Commissioner/Vice President

*Two (2) Player Agents (1 Baseball, 1 Softball)

*Board of Directors

*Six (6) elected members

3 for baseball, 3 for softball

Current year's Baseball and Softball commissioners

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*The President will only cast a deciding vote

The following are appointed positions by the President and Board of Directors:

*Secretary

*Treasurer

*Fund Raising Committee

*Audit Committee

*All Elected and Appointed Officers **MUST** be current paid members of Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization.

Article IV. Meetings

Meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month and at other times as deemed necessary. Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization's fiscal year will begin on October 1 of the current calendar year through September 30 of the next calendar year.

1. Time of the meeting shall begin at 7pm
2. In the months of March, April, May, June, July, and August general business meetings may be waived at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Board membership meetings may be held in lieu of the general meetings to maintain regular business.
3. The President may call special board meetings at any time. Special meetings may be called at the request of five (5) paid members of the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization. At least five (5) days written notice and the purpose of the special meeting shall be given.
4. A quorum of 10 paid members shall be present at any regular or special meeting in order for Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization business to be conducted. A majority vote of the paid membership present is needed to approve any Burgaw Dixie Youth organization business not otherwise specified in the Bylaws herein.
5. A quorum (10 paid members) shall be present at any regular, special, or Annual Meeting before the election of officers or amendments to the Bylaws can commence. A majority vote of the paid members present is needed to approve amendments to the Bylaws, or to elect officers.
6. Each **paid member present** shall have one vote in all matters during regular monthly meetings.
7. There shall be an Annual meeting each year in the September General Business Meeting to nominate Officers for the new fiscal year. All nominations will be voted on at the October General Business Meeting.
8. Adoption of bylaws and any changes to be adopted will be discussed and reviewed during the October meeting. The bylaws will be voted on at the November meeting. Once bylaws are adopted, they will stand for the entire fiscal year and can only be changed by a motion and vote during the November meeting of each fiscal year.

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9. At the beginning of each general meeting the previous month's minutes and financial report are to be reviewed and approved by a majority vote.

*Should a question of procedure arise, the book of "Robert's Rules of Order" will be used as a reference guide.

Article V. Fees and Finances

1. There shall be a common Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization Treasury with all league income being deposited thereto and all league debts being disbursed from the same depositing source. The Board of Directors when deemed necessary may create special fund accounts.
2. The Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization Board of Directors shall manage the property and the business of the league.
3. The President and Vice Presidents will review each monthly bank statement with the Treasurer. Each will sign the statement after reviewing checks issued and deposits made for discrepancies.
4. All funds received by the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization are to be counted by two authorized members of the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization at the time of their receipt.
5. The Audit Committee before the end of each fiscal year will conduct an audit of funds.
6. All general membership must pay a membership fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)
7. All managers and coaches must pay a membership of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); this fee also allows coaches to become part of the general membership, and also includes a background check, insurance, and T-shirts.
8. Anyone who is on a ballfield at any given time MUST have a completed background check (\$10.00) by Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization.

Article VI. Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization, all assets will be transferred to another non-profit organization serving the same function and geographic region of Pender County, North Carolina.

Article VII. Committees

Committees may need to be formed to assist with various duties and functions. These committees include, but not limited to, concessions, pictures, fund raising, and advertising. Each committee will have a chairperson as deemed necessary. Positions on these committees will be by appointment of the Burgaw Dixie Youth Board of Directors. New committees may be established as needed.

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Article VIII. Managers and Coaches

1. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors to determine whether a person shall be eligible to be on the coaching staff for any given season. Background checks are required each year and it is the Manager's responsibility to collect the paperwork.
2. These background checks are due no later than two (2) weeks after player evaluations. If said background check reveals any felony convictions including and not limited to sex offenses, domestic or child abuse, illegal drug or alcohol offenses (5 year limit for drug and alcohol charges), said person will not be eligible to manage or coach. Any County Park rules and regulations not followed will also be enforced.

Background checks will be made available through Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization.

3. **All Coaches** are encouraged to attend a mandatory coach's clinic, which will be given on the field, to show coaches a variety of fundamental drills, etc. to use at practices. Also, coaches are strongly encouraged to be certified in the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA). This course is offered by Pender county Parks and Recreation or by going online to the NYSCA website to become certified.
4. All managers shall have equal opportunity in the acquisition of players. This shall be accomplished through a system adopted by the Board of Directors.
5. Coaching staff will be a maximum of three (3) roster coaches per team, one (1) manager and two (2) coaches, with the exception of T-Ball, Midgets Baseball, and Darlings Softball, Sweetees Softball whereby four (4) coaches, one (1) manager and three (3) coaches may be on staff for a team.
6. Any person wishing to manage a team shall provide their intentions in writing prior to the scheduled try-outs date. If enough persons are not available for the amount of teams in a league, managers may be asked to take a team on the day of try-outs.
7. Team managers will be picked in the following order when more than enough interested persons are available:
 - Returning division managers from previous year
 - Returning division coaches from previous year
 - Managers moving up to a new division
8. A member of a coaching staff shall be given one warning per season for "Behavior Unbecoming of a Coach". The second occurrence will result in ejection of the current and the next scheduled game. If an umpire ejects a manager or coach from any game, he or she will not be allowed to manage/coach next scheduled game and will meet with the Board of Directors to determine if further action is necessary. **Ejection from any regular season game will be reviewed by the Board to determine the eligibility to manage or coach an All-Star Team.**
9. The umpire who ejected the coach will have to fill out an ejection form given to them by the board.
10. **BASEBALL ONLY:** Any child has the option to move up provided all coaches in that league agree on the evaluation score for that child. If all of the coaches do not agree, then the child must play in the age appropriate league.

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Article IX. Player Registration

1. Any child within the appropriate age range wishing to participate in Burgaw Dixie Youth Baseball, Softball, or T-Ball is welcome to register on the scheduled registration dates to be set each season.
2. Each child's parent or legal guardian will be required to complete a registration form and code of conduct form.
3. Registration will be \$50 per child and \$40 for T-Ball and Sweeties
4. T-Ball eligible age shall be 4 years old on or before January 1st.

Article X. Player Evaluation Procedures

1. **All steps for evaluations will be strictly enforced**
2. After the close of the registration period, each player agent will provide a list of all eligible players separated into the division to be eligible to play.
3. Every eligible player in the league area shall be given notice of the call for "evaluations". Each player shall be given the opportunity to bat and field balls.
4. Each player will be ranked by a numerical value of 1, 2, 3, and 4 in each fundamental demonstrated. 1 being the highest rank. If you have a returning player in the same league that was chosen unanimously as an All-Star the previous year, they are automatically ranked as a 1.
5. The "evaluations" shall be conducted in the presence of each division's managers.
6. All registered players are encouraged to attend the scheduled "evaluation" day before teams are drafted.
7. If any registered player is a "no-show" for "evaluations", they will be drafted in a separate player pool, after the regular draft. All "no-show" names will be written on paper and managers will draw them out, in the same order as the regular draft. **Exception:** If the player's ability is known by the coaches of that league and the coaches agree on that evaluation score, he/she will be eligible to be drafted in his/her respective round.
8. To be considered "Same Family" and placed on the same team, each child shall reside at the same residence with the same address.
9. There shall be no T-Ball or Sweeties evaluations.

Article XI. Draft Procedures

All draft procedures will be strictly enforced

1. The managers of the division being drafted, the league player agent, and either the President or League Commissioner will attend all drafts.
2. Each division's managers should schedule a draft when convenient for all members required to attend, but not to affect the beginning of a regular season practices.
3. At the beginning of each draft all managers will chose a number from a drawing to determine the order of draft picks for pitchers. The catchers draft will begin with the last pitchers draft pick manager having the #1 draft pick for catchers (6 managers, #6 manager will have the #1 in catcher's draft beginning in reverse order). After the pitchers and catchers draft picks, the

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managers for the player pool draft will draw a new draft pick order. After all 1st round draft picks have been made, the last manager to pick will begin the 2nd round draft and the order will be in reverse. This order of reverse after each round will continue until all players have been drafted.

- a. Example: 5 managers, #1 picks first and goes through #5 to finish 1st round. 2nd round begins with #5 picking first and goes until all players in the rank are finished. All players in the 2nd round have been picked and the last pick was by #3. #2 would pick first in the 3rd round and then #3 and so on.
4. Each draft will begin with first consideration to all pitching candidates. If the majority of the coaches in that league determine a child should be considered a pitcher, he/she will go into the draft at that respective position. Candidates will be selected in the draft, in such a way that there is a majority agreement that the pitching strength is as equally distributed as possible. When the first round of pitchers has been drafted, the last manager to pick will have the first pick in round 2 and will proceed in reverse order. If no agreement is met, the league commissioner will have final decision.
5. The managers shall then consider candidates for the catching position. If the majority of the coaches in that league determine a child should be considered a catcher, he/she will go into the draft at that respective position. Candidates will be selected in the draft, in such a way that there is a majority agreement that the catching strength is as equally distributed as possible. When the first round of catchers has been drafted, the last manager to pick will have the first pick in round 2 and will proceed in reverse order. If no agreement is met, the league commissioner will have final decision.
6. After all teams have drafted the pitching and catching positions, all remaining players in the player pool shall be picked in rank order e.g. all #1s picked, all #2's, all #3's, and then all #4's. This will be completed after a new draft order has been picked. Managers may pick down in rank at any given time but may not pick up in order.
7. A manager's child, playing in the same division, MUST be picked by the parent/manager as their 1st pick in the round where the child's level of play is being picked. Example: If parent/manager's child is ranked as a 2, the parent/manager's first pick for a 2 ranked player will be their child.
8. If "same family" players are picked on different teams, each affected manager will come to an agreement who will accept the "same family" players and equal trades of same ranks MUST be made to satisfy this rule. All efforts should be made to pick "same family" players during their regular drafts if possible.
9. Once all teams have been drafted, the player agent will complete the roster for each team.
10. To be considered "same family" and placed on the same team, each child shall reside at the same residence with the same address.
11. **Once player evaluations and drafts are complete, no more players will be added.**
12. In the event a player resigns or withdraws his/her position on the team, the player shall be no longer eligible for any further participation in the League during that same season. No in season transfers will be allowed. An unsatisfied player may request to be placed on a different team for the next season.

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13. A request made in writing by any parent/guardian that a child not play for a specific manager/coach during regular season will also be valid through the All-Stars selection if the manager/coach is on the All-Star team coaching staff.

Article XII. Regular Season Practice/Game Schedules and Procedures

1. The Baseball and Softball Commissioners will be responsible for completing a Practice Schedule for teams in their respective leagues prior to opening day for the current season.
2. The Baseball and Softball Commissioners will be responsible for completing a Regular Season Schedule for teams in their respective leagues. Every consideration should be made to play equal amount of games for each team in a division. Every attempt to schedule games equally over each day of the week should be made.
3. All Teams will be scheduled to play the required number of games per season in accordance with Dixie Youth Baseball rules or Dixie Youth Softball rules.
4. The Baseball and Softball Commissioners or their designee shall call off any games due to inclement weather before start of game times. Umpires will be responsible for calling a game off due to inclement weather after any games have started. A sign will be placed in the message Boards, located on the concession stand, if games have been cancelled. **If rain out conditions exists, NO PRACTICES will be allowed on any field.** Failure to comply with this rule will result in the coach being suspended for one game. If a second offense should occur, the coach will be brought before the board to decide the length of suspension, up to one year.
5. Rained out games will be played on the next available date. Rescheduled games will start at times set up by the Baseball/Softball commissioners when field conditions become playable. The games will start with the oldest rescheduled games first and all other games will follow in order of original dates scheduled to play.
6. Schedule adjustments will not be allowed unless made by the Board of Directors.
7. All games shall be played in accordance with the current Dixie Youth Baseball and Dixie Youth Softball rule books respectively. T-Ball will be played in accordance with the rules adopted by the T-Ball Committee. The only exception to this article will be any "local league options" offered by Dixie Youth Baseball or Dixie Youth Softball in accordance with the respective current season rule books and adopted by the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization.
8. The League's Division Champion shall be the team that concludes its season with the best record of wins and losses during the regular season. In the event of a tie, each team's wins and losses will be reviewed and a head to head game between the tied teams will be played to determine first place. A single game playoff shall be held to determine the Champion. The date of the game shall be determined by the League President. The game shall be played immediately following the regular season and shall be scheduled so that neither team is at disadvantage.

Article XIII. Team Responsibilities

1. Teams should elect a "team parent" to coordinate with the League Player Agent.
2. Each team manager will be responsible for providing team parents for working the concessions stand at a minimum of one (1) regular season game day/evening, or time as set by the current

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concessions stand committee chairperson. Failure to provide coverage to work the teams scheduled concessions time will result in the team's next scheduled game being called forfeit by the effected team.

Article XIV. All-Star Selection Procedures

The purpose of the All –Star procedures is to create consistency in the selection of All-Star teams in the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization and to provide consistency in teams traveling outside the District Level and above tournaments. It is a democratic system where all Managers in a league will have an equal voice and all players will have an equal opportunity. Politics and popularity should not influence the selection.

All-Star selections can have a major effect on the way our league is received in the community. It can also have a major effect on a child's attitude toward continuing to participate in the program. Careful consideration should be given to each player to insure that the players most deserving to participate are the ones selected.

When selecting All-Star players, managers should consider more than a player's ability to play the game. Attitude and Sportsmanship should carry as much weight as the ability to play. All managers are challenged to put forth the effort to select the most qualified and deserving players.

1. All-Star Player Selection Procedure

- a. Each division coach will nominate those players on his/her team who he/she believes should be eligible to play All-Stars. Prior to nomination, the coach should verify interest level and commitment with the parents of each nominee. There are no limits on the quantity of players a coach can nominate, or how many players from a particular team may be selected to play all stars.
- b. At the midpoint of the season, coaches will present a list of nominated players to be potential all-star players to the League Commissioner and other coaches in their respective division. This will allow coaches to assess all-star team nominees during the second half of the season.
- c. The Saturday/Sunday of the final regular season games each League Commissioner will conduct all-star selection meetings for each division in their league. 1-2 days prior to the meeting each coach will submit a finalized list of all-star nominees from their team and other coaches in their division.
- d. All division managers must attend this meeting. If they cannot attend, an assistant coach must attend in their place.
- e. Each head coach should bring his selection for his/her IDEAL ALL-STAR TEAM, meaning the top 12 players they pick as the all-star team from their division. Any player that is listed on each coaches IDEAL ALL-STAR TEAM in their division is automatically selected to the all-star team.

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- f. Roundtable discussion: The remainder of the all-star team and alternates will be selected from the rest of the all-star team nominees. The coaches will openly discuss each player. The coaches should be candid about each nominated players abilities. VOTING FOR THE REMAINING PLAYERS WILL OCCUR AFTER ALL REMAINING PLAYERS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED. If all coaches agree that a player should make the all-star team, that player is added to the team and the next player will be voted on. Once the entire list of nominees has been discussed, and there are still open positions on the team, the coaches will discuss the remaining players and vote until the all-star team is complete.
 - g. Once a complete roster has been selected, it must be ratified by all managers/coaches in attendance. All managers/coaches in attendance must sign the final all-star roster.
 - h. Once the coaches have ratified the roster, the League President must ratify it.
 - i. Alternate players will come from the nominated list of potential all-star players not chosen to the team. If all of those players refuse the role of alternate, then and only then would players not originally nominated be eligible for the all-star team.
 - j. Teams must be selected by the Sunday following the last scheduled regular season game.
2. **All-Star Coaches Selection Procedures**
- a. The managers within each division will vote the All-Star manager into that position. The manager with the most votes will be selected as that Division's All-Star manager.
 - b. The elected Board must approve All-Star managers.
 - c. The All-Star manager has the right to select his/her assistant coaches. Per Dixie Youth Baseball/Softball rules, the All-Star manager must designate 2 official assistant coaches. Exception: Designate 3 official assistant coaches for Midget, Darlings, and Sweeties Divisions. The manager may use as many coaches as he/she sees fit during practice.
3. The Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization All-Star Uniforms are to be the colors of your local high schools. (Pender or Heide Trask)

Article XV. All-Star Fundraising Procedures

District tournaments will not have any travel or fundraiser monies needed nor matched by Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization. If any league team wins their District Tournament and advances to their State and/or National Tournament, then the following procedures will apply. Invitational tournaments will be emotionally supported by Burgaw Dixie Youth but must be financially supported by team parents. These teams may not fundraise under the name of Burgaw Dixie Youth. All the decisions by the board are final.

- 1. The Board of Directors will determine when an overnight stay is necessary for any team playing in the State or National Tournaments based on distance and location of said tournament attending.
- 2. When the Board deems an overnight stay necessary, the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization will match up to \$1,500 in fundraising monies. Any additional monies will be decided at the discretion of the board.

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3. If any additional monies are needed, it will have to be raised or provided by the team player's parents or guardians. The manager is responsible for any fundraiser activities for his or her team. *Note: we will vote to fundraise all year long Instead of during all-star season.
4. Any unused fundraiser or matched monies raised as Burgaw Dixie Youth will be turned over to the Board of Directors/Treasurer.
5. When determined by the Board fundraising money is needed for a state Tournament, it can be used to aid in expenses for Lodging.
6. Fundraising money collected for a national tournament may be used to help offset lodging costs for parents, if needed, and a daily allowance, reviewed by the Board, can be distributed to a parent/guardian to assist with daily gate fees or food.
7. All monies raised and matched have to be accounted for and all expenses have to be itemized with receipts and a full and complete report must be submitted to the Board of Directors/Treasurer. The team manager is responsible for all actions and monies for his/her All-Star Team.
8. All behavior, while representing the Burgaw Dixie Youth Organization, unbecoming of Coaching Staff and/or All-Star players will be reviewed by the Board of directors and future participation will be up for discussion.
9. In the case where more than one (1) team will be travelling to a State or National Tournament and fundraising is needed, **ALL** teams will work with the Fundraising Committee to coordinate events. Regardless if more than one team is from different leagues (baseball or softball), teams should work together to raise funds.
10. Any fundraising through Burgaw Dixie Youth should be approved through the Fundraising Committee.
11. You must also now contact Grocery Stores three (3) months in advance to fundraise.