

Knox Youth Sports

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**THANKS TO CITY
COUNCILMAN JOE BAILEY**

For his considerable generosity over many years, KYS would like to say a million thanks to Councilman Joe Bailey. He contributed funds to purchase a new infield grooming machine; two new riding lawn mowers for use in cutting different types of grass; and a utility vehicle. All are used to prepare the fields for each of the 500+ league games played each KYS season. Joe was elected to Knoxville's City Council for a four-year term on November 4, 2003 and re-elected in 2007. On February 3, 2010, he was elected Vice Mayor of Knoxville. Bailey and his wife Mieshelle have two daughters, Reagan and Sloane and a son, Brooks. The Baileys are members of the Laurel Church of Christ and are active with numerous charities and organizations in the Knoxville community.

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It's Hoops Time at KYS

Welcome to the 2011-'12 Season

- More fun! • 8 players per team • Lots of playing time to develop skills
- 10 games season plus tournament • **NEW!** Team League

Recreational League

- Knox Youth Sports basketball is a recreational program whose primary purpose is to develop the basketball skills of girls and boys age 4 to 12. We make a considerable effort to organize leagues that have parity among the teams.
- All players are guaranteed and required to play at least 50 percent of each game.
- Children who plan to tryout for a school team, but want to play with KYS if they don't make their school's squad, should still send in the registration form.

(Note: Registrations must be received by Oct. 14, 2011 to assure your child will be placed on a team.)

Gyms/Workout Sessions/Season

- All games will be played on weekends at Webb School, Deane Hill Rec Center, West Hills School, Rocky Hill School, and the James Agee Gym at West High School.
- Registrants **MUST** attend a workout session in order to be drafted to teams. Sessions will be used to familiarize players with the fundamentals of the game and for coaches to evaluate players prior to the draft. The session will be in November at Deane Hill Rec Center. Players will be notified about when to attend.
- The season will last from early December to no later than early March 2012. Practice will begin in November.

Coaches

Only the head coach's child will be protected in the draft of the 5-6 boys. In other leagues, the head coach's child plus one approved assistant's child will be protected.

New! KYS Team League

In the new KYS Team League—which is for recreational players who want to play together—coaches can protect 8 players. Teams will play 12 games plus a tournament.

Registration Fees

4-5-year-old coed: \$100 All other leagues: \$125

Leagues

These are the basketball leagues. (*Note: A child must play her/his age as of Sept. 1, 2011.*)

4-5 coed

- Saturday only games
- Games at Rocky Hill Elementary school

5-6 boys

- 3 on 3
- 8 players/team

6-8 girls

- 3 on 3
- 8 players/team

7-8 boys

- 8 players/team

9-10 boys

- 8 players/team
- 10 games plus tournament

9-10 girls

- 8 players/team

11-12 boys

- 8 players/team

11-12 girls

- 8 players/team

Challenger League

- boys and girls
- all ages, who are physically or mentally challenged
- call 922-1418 or 637-1403 for information

KYS Team League

- boys or girls
- age (boys: 7-8, 9-10, 11-12); (girls: 9-10, 11-12)
- coaches can protect 4-8 players
- 12 games plus tournament

“We Just Saw a Player from Another Team with Sideburns and a Beard!”



THE 2011 KYS TEAM THAT WENT TO COOPERSTOWN LAST SUMMER WAS CALLED “LAKESHORE.” The players on Lakeshore—Hudson Chastain, Adam Cupp, J.T. Dooley, Turner Helton, Nick McGregor, Cameron Miller, Myan Patel, Hayden Shymlock, Cole Smith, Kimon Swanson, and Redmond Sweitzer—knew they were in for an experience of a lifetime. What they didn’t know were the memories and stories that will surely last a lifetime.

According to one parent: “It’s hard to explain the experience of seeing 1,500 twelve year olds, from all over the U.S., coming together

to enjoy their passion—baseball.

“The players were taught life lessons both on the field and off. When they weren’t playing baseball, they were pin trading, touring the Baseball Hall of Fame, and eating at Sal’s Pizza. Although it has been six months since we experienced Cooperstown, our family and friends continue to relive the trip through hilarious stories and endless memories of the perfect week.”

The whole team discussing the size of some of the other teams’ players: “We just saw a player from another team with sideburns and a beard!”

One player: “Coach, I think I saw one of the other team’s coaches wearing a player’s uniform. No, wait, that’s actually a player!”

Another player after losing the first game: “When we get back to the barracks I think we should go straight to the batting cages. We need some practice!”

After the team informed the

tournament director that one of the players was the UT football coach’s son, another player said: “Coach, they want our whole team to sing Rocky Top at the closing ceremonies!”

Another player, after playing a Wiffle Ball game against a team from Florida during some down time: “We destroyed those guys. They should do this whole tourna-



ment with Wiffle Ball. We’re really good at it.”

One of the things that I was most proud of, said coach

Jason Shymlock, and I think it says a lot about the character of the kids that were selected to represent KYS at Cooperstown, was their sportsmanship after our team was knocked out of the tournament.

We lost our elimination game to a team from North Carolina, and

2011-'12 COACH, PARENT & SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Our primary goal is to give each participant in basketball, baseball, and softball the opportunity to learn the fundamental skills and have a positive experience while participating in KYS programs. Volunteer coaches will encourage and instruct players in a structured and disciplined environment. Emphasis will be placed on the fundamentals of the game. Winning is *not* among our top priorities. Inappropriate behavior or parental interference will not be tolerated.

Parents are advised to follow these rules and guidelines:

- 1) Cheer and encourage both teams during games.
- 2) If additional children attend your team's practices, please supervise and keep the noisy ones away from the gym or field.
- 3) Do not approach your coach at any time with a negative attitude.
- 4) Express your appreciation to your coach if your child's experience is positive.
- 5) Remember, your conduct during adversity will be observed and may provide your child the greatest lesson he or she may learn in sports competition.

Coaches, please inform your families and guests before they attend games about the following:

- 1) Do not display poor sportsmanship.
- 2) Do not instruct or criticize players.
- 3) Do not harass or abuse referees or umpires.
- 4) Leave any personal problems, prejudices, and jealousies outside the gym and ball park.

KYS will not tolerate coaches, parents, or spectators who display poor sportsmanship or try to interfere with basketball, baseball, or softball games. Most coaches teach players about respect and sportsmanship and expect parents and spectators to reinforce these lessons. If you have a concern about your child's team, please contact the staff.

If a coach, parent, or spectator violates the preceding guidelines, KYS will take the following actions:

- 1) *First offense:* warning.
- 2) *Second offense:* expulsion from gym or park with your child and/or possible forfeiture of game.
- 3) *Third offense:* possible suspension from KYS programs for a duration to be determined by Knox Youth Sports Board of Directors.



our kids ran back to the barracks, changed clothes, and ran back out to the same field to watch the team that beat us play their next game. We watched the whole game, and the team from North Carolina lost to a team from California. Our entire team stood outside the dugout of the North Carolina team and created a tunnel for them to run through as they left the field for the very last

time. Everyone of our boys gave congratulations to the team that knocked us out of the tournament, and both teams' players and parents were very appreciative of that show of sportsmanship from a special group of 12-year-olds.

It's an experience that I don't think any of us will forget.

Jason Shymlock

2010 KYS Cooperstown Team Coach

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2011-'12 Basketball Registration

(Due to increased participation in KYS programs, registration forms received after Oct. 14 may not be accepted.)

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ League Age (as of 9/1/11): _____

Home Phone: _____ Address: _____ Zip: _____

Child's Sex: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

League my child will play in: _____ Cost: 4 coed-5 coed, \$100; all other leagues: \$125

Rec Team League (other players on team): _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____

Primary Family Email: _____

Telephone: home _____ Cell: _____ Home: _____ Cell: _____

Employer: _____ Employer: _____

Office Address: _____ Office Address: _____

Does father/mother want to head coach? Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___ Coach's email _____

(Only persons who have completed coaching applications will be considered for coaching positions.)

Will your company sponsor a basketball team for \$350? Yes _____ How many? _____

I hereby give my permission in the above athletic program and hereby release and hold harmless Knox Youth Sports, Inc., and its officers, directors, employees, agents, and coaches from and against any liability incurred in connection with or arising out of my child's participation in the said athletic programs. I understand that only sibling team requests will be guaranteed.

(parent or guardian signature) _____

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