



Hello Parents and Players,

Wow. What a year 2020 has been. Thank you to everyone that helped keep our players on the field! It may seem early, but due to our League requirements, we need to turn in our player numbers early December 2020 for the 2021 Season. We ask that you let us know your child is playing by completing a sign-up sheet by **November 15th, 2020**.

We as a program are looking forward to the upcoming 2021 season. Our combined coaching staff has lots of playing and coaching experience and we pride ourselves on making our players better on and off the field. Powell Legion baseball has expanded its program over the last few years and we now have 3 teams. Our "C" and "B" teams will act as feeder programs for our "A" program. I feel this is a great opportunity to build a strong Legion program. This will give players the chance to start learning the fundamentals used for the "A" program at a younger age, preparing them to step into the "A" program without missing a beat. Players will learn to develop stronger mechanics in all aspects of the game, hitting, fielding, and pitching mechanics with the addition of good game strategy. Because baseball is such a humbling sport, your child will learn how to deal with and overcome both loss and failure while learning to respect the time, effort and dedication it takes to be successful. A lesson that will benefit them in all aspects of life.

We are looking to start practicing in early January 2021. As soon as dates are set, we will be sure to let everyone know via email, website, Remind, and our Facebook page. **If you (and your player) haven't subscribed to Remind, please do that ASAP. We send out information on this throughout the year. Send a text to 81010 with this as the message: @64ba69**

It is ok if your child is playing another sport at this time. We encourage them to be well rounded athletes. But if they have time or are not playing any other sports, we expect them to show up. This is a critical time to start building arm strength and fine tuning their swings before the long season starts. Practices will be held at Josh Westerhold's indoor facility. Located off of Lane 8H next to the Church of Christ. The indoor facility has 3 bullpen mounds, two batting cages and turf. **Please note, masks and social distancing will be required until further notice is given.**

Sign-up fee for this year is \$150 per player. This pays for two practice shirts, team hats and a team jacket/fleece. All players will also be required to fundraise for the 2021 season. The Legion Board will provide several opportunities for your player(s) to raise their expected amount. The money that is raised will pay for team insurance, vehicle insurance, hotels, gas, food, umpire fees, tournament fees, and other miscellaneous items throughout the season.

Because we are a volunteer Board and Non-Profit organization, we need your support. We need parent involvement by helping with Concessions and Score Keeping for home games and Tournaments. I, the other coaches, and the Board are committed to this program. We request that parents help out with the program by holding your child accountable for their fundraising and making practices/games on time. Together, we can make this a competitive and successful program.

Sincerely,

Coach Cates & the Powell American Legion Baseball Board

(307) 254-5972

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2021 Season – Early Registration Form

*Note – Your player will be required to also complete Form 2 in order to participate in the 2021 Season. We will distribute those forms as soon as they become available. **NEW PLAYERS – Include a COPY of your Birth Certificate**

Player's Name: _____ DOB: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Phone/Contact Numbers: _____

Emergency Contact (if you cannot be reached) _____ Phone: _____

Medical Insurance Provider: _____ Policy#: _____

School Attending: _____ . Grade: _____

Player Email: _____ Player Phone: _____

Primary Position Played: _____

Player Height: _____ Player Weight: _____

Bats: _____ Throws: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Pant Size: _____

Hat Size: _____ Special Needs/Requests? _____

Any other information/notes Coaches and Board Members should know about your child?

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Complete this form and send with a check for \$150 payable to
Powell American Legion Baseball
PO Box 57, Powell Wyoming 82435
Questions? Contact Joe Cates – (307) 254-5972

Powell Pioneers
American Legion Baseball
Player/Parent Contract

Player Role

1. Respect everyone involved in the program. Yourself, coaches, teammates, opposing teams (their fans), and administration. You are a representative of Powell Pioneer Baseball, and the Powell community.
2. Alcohol and/or drug use of any kind will not be tolerated, and can be ground for immediate dismissal from the team.
3. Hazing/Bullying will not be tolerated at any level, and can be ground for immediate dismissal from the team.
4. Fundraisers are what allow baseball to exist in Powell. All players will take part in fundraising efforts for the program.
5. Have a positive attitude at practice, games and bus rides.
6. Notify coach in advance, if missing a practice or game.
7. Profanity is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
8. Showcase proper sportsmanship at all times.
9. Inappropriate interaction with officials/umpires is considered unsportsmanlike and will not be tolerated.

****Coaches will determine punishment for any absence where the coaching staff was not notified.***

Parent Support / Role

1. Promote sportsmanship at all games. Be a positive role model for the Powell Pioneer program. Read #1 above.
2. Not all players will receive equal playing time.
3. Be realistic about your son's/daughter's abilities.
4. Follow the appropriate chain of command for communicating concerns:
 - player communicates with coach
 - player communicates with parent
 - parent communicates with coach
 - parent communicates with board member
5. If you have a concern to discuss with the coach, please call to schedule an appointment.
6. If you have a concern that needs to be addressed by the Legion Board, please contact a board member and the Board will make the proper arrangements during the next board meeting.
7. Parent involvement/volunteering is essential to running a solid program. There will be times when you are asked to assist with game day activities (scoreboard, gate fees, etc.), as well as the fundraising events held by the Powell Pioneer Program.

Team Goals

1. To develop players knowledge and understanding of the game.
2. To develop physical baseball skills to ensure every player reaches their potential.
3. To develop respect towards others by practicing good sportsmanship at all times.
4. To play as a team to reach *OUR* common goal.


Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches


1. Team Lineup
2. Team Strategy
3. Do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest or practice. These can be emotional times for both parents and coaches. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution. *See #5 above under Parent Support.*

Consequences for Violation of Player/Parent Contract

1. Warnings will be issued based on the severity of the incident.
2. The majority of the consequences will be dealt with in-house to help promote team unity. Coaches will convene to determine the severity of each offense.
3. Coach and Board of Directors may meet to discuss punishment for each incident.
4. After the first incident, consequences will increase with every offense.
5. Dismissal from the team may be an option; based on repeated offenses and severity of offense.

Powell Pioneers American Legion Baseball Contract For the 2020 Season

 By signing this contract, I agree to all rules and guidelines, and accept the consequences when these guidelines are not followed.

 Please include your email address; this will be the quickest way of being informed of cancellations and changes in the schedule.

Player Name: _____

Player Signature: _____ Date: _____

Player Email:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Email:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Email:

**All players/parents are required to fulfill this contract. This page should consist of the player's signature, as well as the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) signature(s).*