



2009 PONY Baseball Program Guide Nippersink PONY and Little League Metro

GWBA Nippersink Pony League	Little League Junior North Metro League
\$165.00 Fee*	\$140.00 Fee*
80' Bases - allows for good transition from LL base distance & prep for high school play -Enables players to continue with development of the various infield and outfield positions played in Little League on larger size field, but not high school size field	90' Bases - substantial increase in base path distance from Little League- Now at high school level base distance changes player's positions/abilities due to increased distance for infield catching, throwing and running the bases
54' 6" pitching distance enables pitchers to comfortably develop speed, accuracy and new pitches effectively and without risk to physical strains and or injuries. Holding base runners is a skill developed with high chance of success due to base distance. Finally, hitting skills develop quicker due to pitching distance, swing mechanics, limit on bat size and improved focus/tracking ball.	60' pitching eliminates pitchers whose skill, speed, accuracy and pitch types are truly developing. Added 6 feet pressures pitchers and in some cases, requires more fastballs to be thrown. Next, holding base runners becomes very challenging due to increased base distance. Finally, hitting skills develop slower due to swing timing requirements and focus on ball-bat sizes and swing mechanics become even more important.
MLB, IHSA, Nipp Rules	MLB & LL Rules
11 - 18 player roster	11 - 18 player roster
26 Game Schedule*	30 Game Schedule
Playoffs & World Series	Playoffs & Championship
Weeknight & Weekend Games	Weeknight & Weekend Games
1/2 of all games home	1/2 of all games home
Travel to: Johnsburg, Genoa City, Lake Villa, Antioch, Wauconda, Wonder Lake, Fox Lake, Hebron and Richmond	Travel to: Elgin, Huntley, Marengo, Hampshire, Streamwood, Fox River Grove, Hanover Park, Bartlett and Carpentersville
34 teams	45 teams
Records: 1W and 25L teams to 25W and 1L teams for 2007 season	Records: 1W and 29L teams to 27W and 3L teams for 2007 season
Apr - Jun 25 season	Apr - Jun 23 season w/July Tourneys
Jun 25 to Jul 01 Playoffs/Championship	Jun 23 thru July Playoffs & Championship
*No Candy Sales and GWBA / Nippersink Pony used to play 30 games in season-changed due to school and parent work loads	* Addition to Fee; Must sell Candy or BUYOUT - Total Fee TBD / est \$185.
Web site	Web site
Contact Us for 2009	