



2023 14U

Midwest Plains Regional Tournament

Rapid City, South Dakota

July 19th – July 22nd, 2023



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Information Guide for Managers, Players, Parents & Coaches



The Sportsmanship Code of Babe Ruth League, Inc.

Develop a strong, clean, healthy body, mind, and soul.

Develop a strong urge for sportsmanlike conduct.

Develop understanding of and respect for the RULES.

Develop courage in defeat, tolerance, and modesty in victory.

Develop control over emotions and speech.

Develop spirit of cooperation and team play.

Develop into real, true CITIZENS.





Babe Ruth Midwest Plains Regional Tournament Teams,

Let us be the first to thank you and your respective team for participating in the 2023 Babe Ruth Midwest Plains Regional Baseball Tournament this summer in Rapid City, South Dakota!

The Rapid City Baseball Association, Rapid City Parks and Recreation, Visit Rapid City, and the City of Rapid City and its residents would like to welcome your team, your families, fans, and members of your community to Rapid City, Dakota! We are excited and eager to help make your time in our community enjoyable. We hope it will be a memorable and rewarding experience that you will remember for years to come.

We will have team check-in on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. Team members, coaches, and managers are required to attend their scheduled check-in time.

Good luck, have fun, play hard, and enjoy your stay in Rapid City, South Dakota!

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Memo to Regional Tournament Managers

1. Double check your credential packet. Be sure that you have all the required documents.

2. Hotel Information:

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 645 East Disk Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701,
605-355-9090.

There are 14 rooms reserved per team that have been assigned for each team. When making your reservations, be sure to tell them that you are with the Babe Ruth Regional Tournament to receive the tournament rate.

3. Managers & Coaches:

Summer is a very busy time, and it is best that you make your reservations as soon as possible. You will need to provide contact numbers for all coaches, managers, and where you are staying at check-in. If there are changes to the scheduled games, we will contact you at the numbers provided. We are NOT responsible if you do not answer and are late for games.

Make sure you arrive at the check-in site, Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 645 East Disk Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701, as a complete team and at your designated time. Teams are to arrive and depart as a complete group. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS, unless there has been prior approval from the Regional Commissioner. All such requests must be fully documented. Any player NOT excused and missing from check-in will NOT be allowed to participate in the tournament.

4. Managers and Coaches are required to attend the “Officials & Coaches Meeting” from 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm. on Wednesday, July 19th, at McKeague Field prior to opening ceremonies. Tournament rules and procedures will be discussed at this time.

5. Remind your players that there is a hotel curfew at 10:30 pm to be in their hotel rooms.

6. Please direct any questions regarding any aspect of the tournament to the Tournament Director. They will do their best to get an answer for you, or resolve any issue you might have, as soon as possible.

7. Remember that Managers and Coaches should wear uniforms consistent with the Babe Ruth Teams with the Babe Ruth baseball patch on the left shoulder or on the hat.

8. Good sportsmanship makes the game enjoyable for everyone. Anyone acting in an unsportsmanlike manner will be removed from the playing field and the facilities immediately!

9. Be sure to have a team meeting and read through the Player’s Guide with your team! Be sure they know what is expected of them.



Regional Tournament Schedule of Events

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

Tournament check-ins begin at 3:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites, 645 East Disk Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701.

Directions to Holiday Inn Express & Suites:

From Rapid City Regional Airport: Place this address in GPS: 645 E. Disk Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701

From I-90 West - Exit 59: Place this address in GPS: 645 E. Disk Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701

From Highway 44: Place this address in GPS: 645 E. Disk Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701

From I-90 East – Exit 59: Place this address in GPS: 645 E. Disk Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701

Players and Coaches shall wear their game hat and jersey tops to check-in. All times listed are Mountain Standard Time.

3:30 PM – Rapid City (Navy-Host)

4:00 PM – South Dakota

4:30 PM – Minnesota

5:00 PM – Nebraska

6:00 PM – Players, Coaches, Officials, Parents and Families at the Picnic at McKeague Field 2911 Canyon Lake Drive, Rapid City, SD, 57702

Opening Ceremonies for the 2023 14U MWP Regional Tournament will begin @ 7:30 p.m.

Directions to McKeague Field :

2819 Canyon Lake Drive, Rapid City, SD 57702

Tourney Bracket, ranking, and division based on final place.

2023 Babe Ruth 14 Year-Old Midwest Plains Regional Tournament

July 19 – July 22 Rapid City, SD



American Division	
Minnesota	Rapid City (Navy-Host)

National Division	
South Dakota	Nebraska

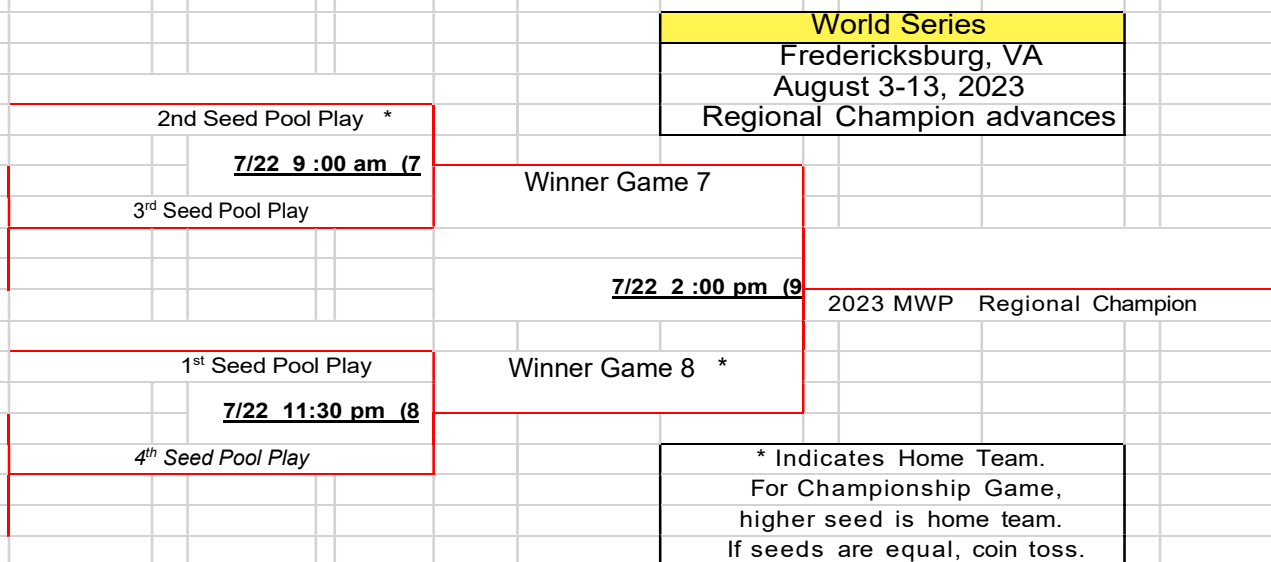
Team check-in: Wednesday, July 19, 3-4:30pm Holiday Inn Express & Suites Rapid City I-90 645 E. Disk Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701	Player, Coaches, Officials Picnic: 6:00pm, July 19, @ McKeague Field, 2819 Canyon Lake Dr., Rapid City, SD 57702 Coaches, Officials Meeting: July 19, McKeague Field Picnic, 7-7:30 pm with field tour to follow. Field 1: McKeague Field – 2819 Canyon Lake Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701
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Opening Ceremonies Wednesday, July 19, 7:30 PM at McKeague Field Following Coaches Meeting.

POOL PLAY

Game #	Date	Visitor	Home	FD	Time	Game #	Date	Visitor	Home	FD	Time
1	7/20	Minnesota	Rapid City (Host)	1	12:00pm						
3	7/20	Nebraska	Minnesota	1	2:30pm						
3	7/20	Nebraska	South Dakota	1	5:00pm						
4	7/21	Nebraska	Rapid City (Navy)	1	10:30 am						
5	7/21	Minnesota	South Dakota	1	1:00pm						
6	7/21	Rapid City (Navy)	South Dakota	1	3:30pm						

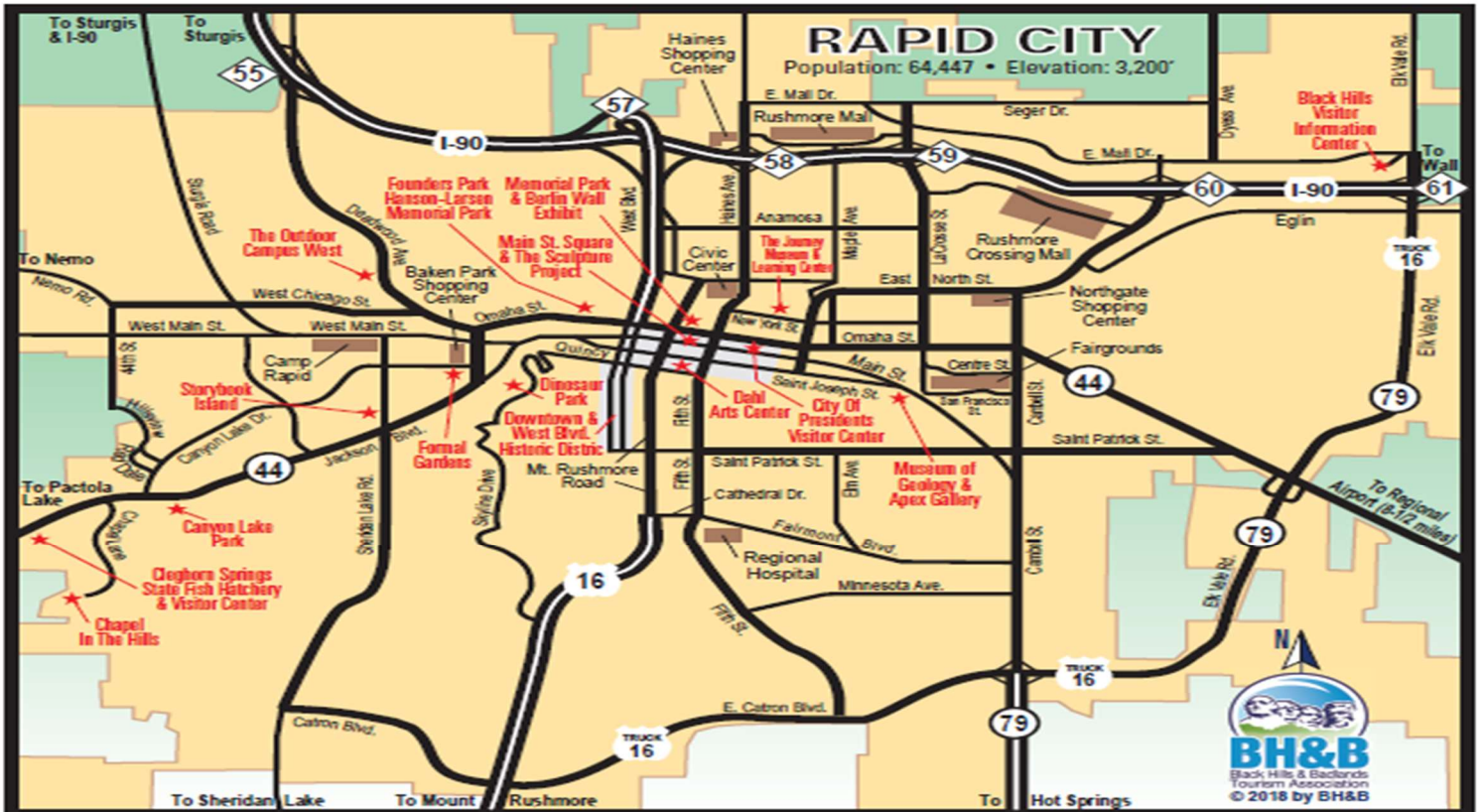
Single Elimination Bracket – Saturday July 22

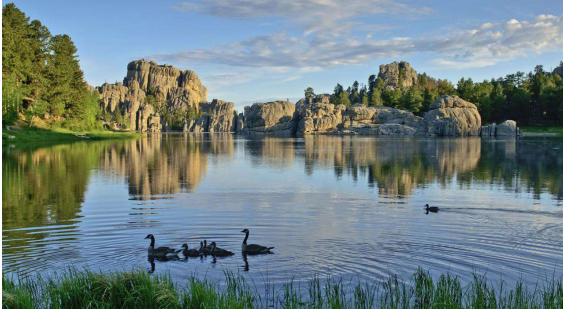


* Indicates Home Team.
For Championship Game,
higher seed is home team.
If seeds are equal, coin toss.



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Tournament Program/Pre-Game Information

IMPORTANT –

Tournament Program Photos:

Please email your team picture with cutline and team roster to the Tournament Director (**Please label the file. “_____ (team name) _____ regional tournament info” **):

We encourage you to send your pictures by Sunday, July 16 and follow up after your tournament representatives are assigned. If your team picture does not get emailed to the Tournament Director, we cannot guarantee your team photo will appear in the tournament program.

Parents, Family and Fans - Tournament Programs, Souvenirs, and T-Shirts:

Tournament Souvenir T- shirts, programs, and tournament passes will be available for purchase during the tournament at McKeague Field.

Pre-Game Information:

TBD.

Line-Ups:

Ensure that your line-up is filled out correctly before presenting it to the official scorekeeper 30 minutes prior to your scheduled game time. Line-up cards should be 4-part: white copy for the umpire, yellow copy to the press box, pink copy to the opponent, and gold copy for your use.

Please include FIRST and LAST names, jersey number, and position; all players and coaches must be listed. Line-up cards that are filled out incorrectly will be returned to the manager to correct.



Important Notes & Times

Gamechanger Scoring Program:

All games will be scored using Gamechanger.

You can go to the website – midwestplainsbaberuth.siplay.com – to follow the tournament and your team.

Officials & Coaches Meeting:

All Officials, Coaches, Managers, Head Umpire, and tournament committee members are REQUIRED to attend. The meeting will be held at McKeague Field after the BBQ at 7:00pm on Wednesday, July 19, with a field tour to immediately follow and then Opening Ceremonies.

Opening Ceremonies:

All Coaches, Managers, Officials, and Players must attend Opening Ceremonies, which will be held on Wednesday, July 19, at 7:30 pm. Instructional handouts will be provided at check-in for further instructions on where teams should line up for the ceremony.

Concessions:

Food and drink concessions will be available before and during all games. Be sure to bring some extra money so you can enjoy a meal or a snack during the games! No smoking, alcohol, or coolers will be allowed in the ballpark.

Animals:

All animals are not allowed in the ballpark.

Gate Admission:

There will be a daily gate fee of \$5 per person. Age five (5) and under will be free.

Team Awards:

The Babe Ruth Midwest Plains Regional plaques will be awarded to the champion team and runner-up team. Individual medals will be provided for the 1st and 2nd place teams. The Norm & Colleen Team Sportsmanship award will be presented to a team. All awards will be presented at the Closing Ceremonies following the championship game.



Player Instructions

Officials of Babe Ruth League, Inc., and the hard-working host city have made extensive efforts to make certain your stay will be pleasant and rewarding. Therefore, we shall expect that you absolutely cooperate with the following regulations pertaining to your actions during the tournament.

Assistance:

We want all players to thoroughly enjoy themselves during the tournament. If you need any information or assistance, please contact your team manager immediately.

Conduct:

Your conduct must be above reproach on and off the field. Any misbehavior or misconduct could not only cause you disqualification from the tournament, but could also disqualify your team as well.

Schedule:

Always follow your team schedule. Be at practice sessions, tournament games, and special events on time. Be sure to check with your manager and the Tournament Director whenever you wish to divert from the listed functions.

Appearance:

As champions, we expect your dress to be neat. You may, of course, dress informally and comfortably. At all times, neatness and cleanliness of appearance is required.

Uniforms:

Each player on the same team shall wear a different number on their uniform. The division appropriate Official Shoulder Emblem must be worn on each team member's left shirt sleeve or on the team hat. (For sleeveless uniforms, the shoulder emblem must be worn on the left front chest).

Game Curfew:

Curfew time is midnight (12am) for all players. If an event or game goes beyond midnight, all participating team members will return to their lodging facilities following the game.

Flags and Banners:

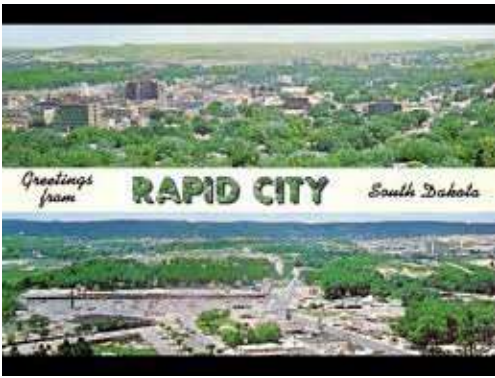
If your league or team has a banner or flag, please arrange to bring it with you. We will request you display it during the Opening Ceremonies. Every team should plan to have a current state flag present, also.

Housing:

No host family housing is provided for this tournament.

Managers/Coaches Uniforms:

The Manager and Coaches must be in complete uniform. This includes a number being on the back of the uniform, a minimum of 6" in size.



Player Instructions

Umpires:

The umpires provided for this tournament have many years of experience working baseball. They will enforce all rules and regulations of Babe Ruth Baseball. Please always treat them with respect. Only the manager will be allowed to discuss an umpire's decision or any play of a controversial nature. The home plate umpire will be informed of the identity of each team's manager prior to the start of each game.

Sportsmanship:

Any player, manager, coach, or fan acting in an unsportsmanlike manner will be removed from the playing field and facility immediately. Such behavior may also result in disqualification from the tournament.

Spending Money:

Each player should bring money to potentially purchase a Tournament Program, T-shirt, concession items, and/or other personal items they might need. We encourage you to support the local Babe Ruth Program.

Say "Thank You":

Players, please take the time to say "thank you" to the host volunteers, who have given their time and gone out of their way to make players, coaches, and families feel welcome at the tournament.

Catcher's Gear:

Any player warming up a pitcher, before and during a game, must be in full gear. This includes a catcher's helmet with mask, throat protector, chest protector, and shin guards.

Batting Helmets:

An approved, double ear flap batting helmet must be worn at bat, while running the bases, in the on-deck circle, and by any other player that might be coaching at first or third base. In addition, all bat persons must wear a batting helmet while on the playing field.

In the Dugouts and on the Field:

Only players, managers, coaches, and bat persons will be allowed in each team's dugout or on the field. Anyone in the dugout must be on a league's roster during the regular season and included on the tournament roster. This includes your bat person.

Equipment:

Bats, gloves, balls, and other equipment must be kept in the dugout, in the proper place and never on the field. Discarding bats, helmets, gloves, or any other items in an unsportsmanlike manner can result in an ejection from the game.

Host Team:

Members of the Host Team are to be treated and are subject to all the same regulations as the other participating teams.



Tournament Contact Information

If you have any questions or need special assistance, please contact the following individuals on the tournament committee.

Tournament Director:

Tyson Waddell

Work: 605-391-0642

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More Tournament Information at:

www.rapidcitysliders.com

EVERY ACTION



HAS A CONSEQUENCE



Community Information

Hospitals/Health Care: (In Case of Emergency Call 911)

Monument Health Medical Center - Rapid City SD

Pharmacies:

Wal-Greens
Walmart
Target
Boyd's

Churches:

(See local yellow pages for more listings)

Grocery/Sport Stores:

Safeway
Family Fare
Walmart Supercenter (South)
Walmart Supercenter (North)
Target
Scheels Sporting Goods



Historical Sites & Attractions





Entertainment Options





Golf Courses



Meadowbrook Golf Course



Elks Golf Course



Come enjoy some great baseball at the
Midwest Plains Regional Championship 2023