2014 GOODYEAR LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION APPLICATION

**********PLEASE PRINT**********

Participants Name:_____ Date of Birth:_____ Age:_____ Grade:_____ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F

Parent(s) Name: _____ or Legal Guardian of Child: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ , AZ Zip: _____

Home ☏: _____ Work ☏: _____ Cell ☏: _____

Email (1):_____ Email (2):_____

What is the nearest Goodyear public elementary school to your address (NOT what school your child attends)?: _____

Special Requests for T-Ball, Farm and Cactus divisions ONLY: _____
Special Requests should be submitted on the registration form. To help improve the likelihood that a special request will be honored, register before January 31, 2014. If you are registering after January 31st special requests will not be honored.

Please check ☑ the appropriate league and division you are enrolling in based on your child's league age.

☐ **Boys/Girls:** Baseball Player will be _____ years old on April 30, 2014 **(League Age)**

CHALLENGER – Ages 4-18 Boy's & Girl's Coed Adaptive Baseball Program
This league is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 4-18. The Challenger Division of Little League is a program for mentally and physically disabled youth to enjoy the full benefits of Little League participation in an athletic environment structured to their abilities. However, whenever possible and with reasonable accommodations, disabled youngsters should participate in unrestricted league play provided their participation is possible and fair within the standard rules and regulations of Little League. More than the skills of baseball learned through the experience, the value of the Little League Challenger Division is found in the proven therapeutic and socialization benefits of participating in sports, the strengthening of the participants' self-esteem, the opportunities to mainstream into other divisions of play and the disciplines of teamwork, citizenship and fair play which are hallmarks of the Little League program.
☐ **$20 (Goodyear Residents & Non-Residents)**

TEE BALL – League Age 4-5 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program
This league is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 4-5 that is resourceful and features structured learning. The Tee Ball division is specifically designed primarily for young boys and girls to provide players a foundation and introduction to baseball that is grounded in fundamentals, fitness and having fun in a non-competitive environment. Rather than using the pitched ball, Tee Ball will utilize an adjustable batting stand or "tee" from which the ball is hit using a soft, Reduced Injury Factor (RIF) ball for safety. Over the course of the season, players will engage in a series of lessons utilizing multiple skills, drills and plenty of physical activity that is fun and rewarding for all participants that allows them to experience the value of teamwork. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Players will be placed geographically based on request and/or nearest Goodyear public elementary school. All players must reside within Goodyear Little League boundaries.
☐ **$75 (Goodyear Residents ONLY)**

FARM (Coach Pitch) – League Age 6-7 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program
This league is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 6-7. Players who are league age 6 who have had one year of Little League experience at the Tee Ball level that are experienced and who are looking for a new challenge are encouraged to play coach pitch. The Farm division is an instructional league that introduces many children to the basics of baseball, such as throwing, catching, hitting, and defensive field positions. The coach pitches to their own batters using a Reduced Injury Factor (RIF) baseball for safety. We do not keep score or team records in this league. Teams are formed based on geography, schools, and special requests. A higher priority is placed on playing with friends, neighbors and school associations. Games are intended to be fun for all players, no matter what their talent level, and should build a foundation for all kids moving up to the Cactus division with the ability to understand the basics of baseball. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Players will be placed geographically based on request and/or nearest Goodyear public elementary school. All players must reside within Goodyear Little League boundaries.
☐ **$85 (Goodyear Residents ONLY)**

CACTUS (Machine Pitch) – League Age 7-8 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program

This league is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 7-8 that are ready for a more advanced level of baseball. We believe the very next best experience after coach pitch is machine pitch. The combination of the pitching machine and the introduction of player pitch to the Cactus division will develop player skills in a non competitive baseball environment. This is truly a unique baseball experience in the Goodyear Little League baseball program that introduces players to live pitching from the player pitch position. The first half of the season, pitching is done with a pitching machine using a Reduced Injury Factor (RIF) baseball for safety and the second half the season player pitch will be implemented into the Cactus division. This division is designed to further develop player's basic skills and offer more competition. This division is always the most exciting division to watch as the players develop skills in a hitting and fielding fast moving experience like no other baseball division. Teams are formed based on geography, schools, and special requests. If a "League Age" eight (8) year old wishes to "play up" in Minors baseball there are some requirements: 1) they must attend evaluations. 2) the player must be drafted. If they are not drafted in that window they will be placed on a team in the Cactus baseball machine pitch division. This is entirely the discretion of the local Goodyear Little League board of directors based on player evaluations. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Players will be placed geographically based on request and/or nearest Goodyear public elementary school. All players must reside within Goodyear Little League boundaries.

☐ **If you are "League Age" eight (8) years of age, are you being evaluated to play up a division in Minors Baseball?:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

☐ **$95 (Goodyear Residents ONLY)**

MINORS (Player Pitch) – League Age 9-10 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program

This league is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 9-10 that become eligible to play in the Minors division only if they have attended the mandatory skill evaluation session and will be placed on a Minors team roster subject to the discretion of the Goodyear Little League Player Agent. If a "League Age" ten (10) year old wishes to "play up" in Majors baseball there are some requirements: 1) they must attend evaluations. 2) the player must be drafted. If they are not drafted in that window they will be made available to the Minors division coaches for drafting in that league. This is entirely the discretion of the local Goodyear Little League board of directors based on player evaluations. In the Minors division players are exposed to live player pitching. This division allows for younger and less experienced players to develop their skills or is their first introduction to player pitch that may need more work on fundamentals that are less developed than expected at the Major League level. Teams are organized by a coach's draft of all available players. The level of competition increases with emphasis on basic skills, playmaking decisions, teamwork and respect for umpires and coaches. Balanced teams are formed as Managers draft players to be on their team using results from the mandatory skills evaluation. Scorekeeping, pitch counts, game scores, standings, end of season Tournament are all aspects of the Minors division. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Trained volunteer umpires enforce the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball. All players must reside within Goodyear Little League boundaries and be drafted through a player evaluation.

☐ **$95 (Goodyear Residents ONLY)**

MAJORS (Player Pitch) – League Age 11-12 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program

This is the highest level of play for this age level on the Little League size diamond. This division is specifically designed for boys and girls ages 11-12 who are desirable candidates that already possess or have been assessed to have the potential to achieve a more advanced level of baseball skill. Candidates become eligible to play in the Majors division only if they have attended the mandatory skill evaluation session and will be placed on a Majors team roster subject to the discretion of the Goodyear Little League Player Agent. Twelve (12) year olds that have a desire to play at the Majors level and attended the required skill evaluation session are guaranteed placement on a Majors team. Players are drafted by individual team managers rather than being assigned to a team by the Goodyear Little League Player Agent. Teams are organized by a coach's draft of all available players. The level of competition is advanced, competitive play with emphasis on refining of all skills, playmaking decisions, teamwork and respect for umpires and coaches that were learned at previous levels. Balanced teams are formed as Managers draft players to be on their team using results from the mandatory skills evaluation. Scorekeeping, pitch counts, game scores, standings, end of season Tournament are all aspects of the Majors division. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Trained volunteer umpires enforce the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball. All players must reside within Goodyear Little League boundaries and be drafted through a player evaluation.

☐ **$95 (Goodyear Residents ONLY)**

JUNIORS (Player Pitch) – League Age 13-14 Boy's & Girl's Coed Baseball Program

This advanced division is competitive and specifically designed for boys and girls ages 13-14 that reside in Goodyear, Litchfield Park and/or Avondale (Non-resident fees apply). Candidates become eligible to play in the Juniors division only if they have attended the mandatory skill evaluation session and will be placed on a Juniors team roster subject to the discretion of the Goodyear Little League Player Agent. This combo league is for players that must be ready to add more skill and strategy to their game. Defensive awareness along with knowing where to make the play and how to run the bases becomes a more critical part of the game. Diamond size is 90 foot base path with a 60 foot pitching distance. Games will be played at the Goodyear Ballpark. Teams are organized by a coach's draft of all available players. The level of competition is advanced, competitive play with emphasis on refining of all skills, playmaking decisions, teamwork and respect for umpires and coaches that were learned at previous levels. Balanced teams are formed as Managers draft players to be on their team using results from the mandatory skills evaluation. Scorekeeping, pitch counts, game scores, standings, Post-season District and State All-Star Tournaments, Regional tournament and the Junior Little League Baseball World Series are all aspects of the Juniors division. This division follows the conventional Little League rules. Trained volunteer umpires enforce the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball.

☐ **$105 (Goodyear Residents)** ☐ **$145 (Avondale and/or Litchfield Park Residents)**

Goodyear Little League Player Uniforms
Uniform sizes will be determined by the Goodyear Little League Board of Directors. Challenger, T-Ball and Farm divisions will receive; socks, pull-up pants, Diamondbacks jersey and MLB ball cap. Minors, Majors and Junior divisions will receive; socks, belt, pro-style pants, Diamondbacks jersey and MLB ball cap.

Softball Program (Minor, Major and Junior divisions) – League Age 8-14 Girl's Fast-pitch Softball Program
Goodyear Little League's softball program will combo with Litchfield Park Little League softball program. Softball divisions participate in inter-league play against other local Little Leagues in the west valley. Registration will be completed through Litchfield Park Little League website at www.lpllbaseball.com beginning December 7, 2013.

Volunteer Positions
Volunteers are a vital part of our league. Without volunteers our league would not be possible. All volunteers are required to fill out the Volunteer Application to be back ground checked to volunteer in Goodyear Little League. If you are interested in volunteering in the Goodyear Little League program please download the Volunteer Application at www.eteamz/gyll.com for a complete list of positions available.

Participation Waiver
Participation in Little League baseball requires the ability to run, throw, swing a bat and catch a ball. Additionally, participation requires the capacity to understand the rules of the game. Does your child have any current condition that limits his or her ability to participate in such activities? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If yes please explain and identify any modifications that would enable you or your child to participate: _____

_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Full Name (print)	**Parent/Guardian Signature**	**Date**

Liability Waiver
I, *(Participant's Name)* _____ recognize that participation in the above described event/activity involves vigorous physical exertion and that I may sufferer temporary or permanent serious physical injury, including but not limited to sprains, fractures, brain or spinal damage, paralysis or even death while participating in the event/activity. With full knowledge of the above-referenced risks, and in consideration for being permitted to voluntarily participate in the event/activity identified above, I HEREBY AGREE NOT TO SUE AND TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND FOREVER RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS the City of Goodyear, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, individually and collectively, while acting in their official capacity; of, from and against any and all liability, damage, claims, suits, payments, judgments, demands, expenses, attorney's fees, defense costs, and/or actions, of any kind or nature, including fault or negligence, related to, arising out of, or alleged to arise out of directly or indirectly my participation for any purpose in the event/activity. This indemnity, release and hold harmless provision shall apply regardless of the nature of the injury or harm alleged, whether for injury or death to persons or damage to property, and whether such claims are alleged as common law, statutory or constitutional claims or otherwise. This agreement shall apply whether the basis for claims, suit, demand, and/or action may be attributable in whole or in part to the City, its officials, employees, agents and volunteers, but does not extend to any such claim or liability that is caused by the sole and exclusive intentional acts or gross negligence of the City of Goodyear, its officers, employees, agents or volunteers. I understand and agree that this Indemnification, Release and Hold Harmless Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law. I acknowledge that I have read the foregoing and that I am aware of the legal consequences of this agreement. This agreement shall be legally binding on my personal representatives, heirs, assigns and next of kin. I further consent to the use of photographs, video tapes, films and recordings of me for advertising, newsletters, bulletin boards, broadcast, or other uses by the City of Goodyear.
I certify that I am over 18 yrs of age and have read, fully understand and voluntarily agree to the terms and conditions of this indemnification, release and waiver of liability.

(Parent or guardian's signature is required if the participant is under 18 years of age.)
As the parent/guardian, I have read, understand and voluntarily agree to the above named minor's participation in the event/activity and all terms and conditions contained herein. I further represent and warrant that I have the legal authority to provide this indemnification, release and hold harmless agreement on behalf of the participant.

_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Full Name (print)	**Parent/Guardian Signature**	**Date**

Player Evaluations, Draft, Team Placement and Equipment/Uniform Waiver
I/We agree per Little League International, that all participants in the Minor, Major and Junior Divisions are required to be evaluated for team placement and will be drafted by a Manager to promote equitable teams. If the player does not attend at least 50% of the designated evaluations, local Board of Directors approval is required for the player to be placed on a team. The team manager selecting the candidate may not be in the player's neighborhood. In the event that a parent or player refuses to play on the selected team, the registration fee paid will not be refunded due to costs incurred by the City of Goodyear and Goodyear Little League, Inc. Uniforms and any equipment issued must also be returned. All players ages 9-14 are required to be evaluated, as there are no returning players to the previous year's team unless you are playing in the T-Ball, Farm and Cactus divisions.

Special requests for managers, coaches, neighborhood placement, and player placement on specific teams, are not guaranteed for the Minors, Majors and Juniors baseball divisions; however we will do our best on placing siblings on the same team for parent convenience based on the outcome of player evaluations. If you are registering for T-ball, Farm and Cactus division's special requests may be warranted to be placed on a specific team with a specific coach. To help improve the likelihood that a special request will be honored, register before January 31, 2014. If you are registering after January 31st special requests will not be honored.

_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Full Name (print)	**Parent/Guardian Signature**	**Date**

Proof of Residency and Birth Certificate Waiver
I/We agree to provide three proofs of legal residence (as defined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated) and age. Three utility bills constitute one proof of residency. I/We understand that our child (candidate) must be eligible under the residence and age regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, to participate in the Goodyear Little League program and that if any controversy arises regarding residence and/or age, the decision of the Charter Committee in Williamsport shall be final and binding. I/We further understand that if any participant on a Goodyear Little League team does not qualify for participation in the league based on residence (as defined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated) and/or age, such participant and/or team on which he/she participates be found ineligible, and forfeit(s) and/or suspension of tournament privileges may be decreed by action of the Charter Committee or Tournament Committee. I/We will furnish the original state issued birth certificate with the raised seal of approval for the above-named candidate to City of Goodyear League Officials.

_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Full Name (print)	**Parent/Guardian Signature**	**Date**

- New residents/participants to Goodyear Little League are required by Little League International to submit the following documents in order to register: Copy of Childs Birth Certificate, most current Tetanus Toxoid Booster shot records, and 3 proofs of residency consisting of Parents State ID, Cable/Satellite bill, Phone bill, Three (3) different Utility bills, Mortgage/Lease statement or Bank/Financial statement that shows your name and address. Electric/Gas Bill, Cable/Phone Bill, Sanitation/Water Bill, Mortgage/Lease Statement or Bank/Financial Statement that shows your name and address. "Per Little League International rules, three (3) utility bills (water, gas and electric only) constitute one proof of residency. One document must be able to connect a player and registrant adult with different last names. Visit www.eteamz.com/gyll for a complete list of approved "residency documents."

- Returning player documentation is subject to review by the Goodyear Little League Board of Directors upon request. Any player interested in playing in All-stars is required to have approved documentation to be included on All-star rosters.

- You can access Little League Registration Applications, Medical Forms, Player Agent Applications and Volunteer Applications on the Goodyear Little League website at: www.eteamz.com/gyll or at the Goodyear Recreation Office.

- Register by December 22, 2013 to enter in a drawing for a chance to win one of the following: 4) $25 gift cards to Dick's Sporting Goods, Little League registration fee reimbursed or other special prizes/offers.

- Before a player is considered for participation in the Minors or Majors division, they must have played at least one season of Little League baseball in their respective age division. Eight (8) year-olds interested in playing Minors and ten (10) year-olds interested in playing in the Majors division must attend the mandatory player evaluations on the above mentioned dates for evaluation of skills. A limited number of positions will be available in the upper division. Participation in this player evaluation does NOT guarantee a position in the upper division.

- Players who are league age nine (9) or league age eleven (11) in 2014 who 'skipped' a division from 2013 may choose to play in the lower division for one season. The examples are an eleven (11) year-old moving from Cactus to Majors may choose to play Minors, or a nine (9) year-old moving from Farm to Minors may choose to play Cactus.

- Goodyear Little League's softball program will combo with Litchfield Park Little League softball program. Softball divisions participate in inter-league play against other local Little Leagues in the west valley. Registration will be completed through Litchfield Park Little League website at www.lpllbaseball.com

- A check, money order, exact cash or credit cards are forms of payment for Goodyear Little League. Make checks payable to the City of Goodyear. Register at the City of Goodyear Recreation Office or online at www.goodyearaz.gov/rec Returning participants have the option to register on-line or walk-in, however anybody that is new to registering for Goodyear Little League must walk-in to register to verify proof of residency and child's birth certificate to have a customer family account created and activated.

- If you are registering more than one sibling/participant in the same program, you will receive $5.00 off for each additional participant in that program. EXAMPLE: 1st sibling $95.00, 2nd sibling $90.00, and 3rd sibling $90.00.

- Volunteer positions needed: League Officials, Managers/Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Plate Umpires, Base Umpires, Team Parent/Coordinator and Score Keepers; all must fill out a volunteer application to be back ground checked to participate in Goodyear Little League. Volunteer Applications must be submitted by January 10, 2014 to be considered for a Manager/Head Coaching position. Forms are available at www.eteamz.com/gyll or at the Goodyear Recreation Office.

- Special requests for managers/coaches, neighborhood placement, and player placement on specific teams, are NOT accepted for the Minors, Majors and Juniors baseball divisions, however we will do our best on placing siblings on the same team for parent convenience based on the outcome of player evaluations. If you are registering for T-ball, Farm and Cactus division's special requests may be warranted to be placed on a specific team with a specific coach. These requests are NOT guaranteed. If you are registering after January 31, 2014 special requests will not be honored.

- Players will be contacted by their manager regarding team placement no later than March 1, 2014. Please visit www.eteamz.com/gyll for more information on dates, times and locations regarding player evaluations per your age division. Practices will begin the week of March 3, 2014. Dates, times and locations for practice will be determined by your manager/coach.

- Every Goodyear Little League baseball team will have the opportunity to play at least one (1) game at the Goodyear Ballpark in the main Stadium.

- The 5th Annual Goodyear Little League Day at the Goodyear Ballpark Spring Training game will be March 15, 2014 (Diamondbacks vs. Indians). Visit the Goodyear Little League web site at www.eteamz.com/gyll for more details as they become available.

- Goodyear Little League Scholarships provide underprivileged and at-risk youth and teenagers with opportunities to participate in baseball/softball leagues by providing scholarships to baseball/softball programs. Goodyear Little League Scholarships gives hope to youth ages 4-18 that may not otherwise recognize their potential by participating in baseball/softball leagues. The focus of Goodyear Little League Scholarships is to provide low income and high risk student athletes with a reason to participate in baseball/softball leagues. Because our goals focus on helping a specific group of student athletes, there are criteria for qualifying to receive a Goodyear Little League Scholarship. All applications are subject to approval and are not guaranteed. Scholarship Application must be submitted by January 31st and provide proof of assistance. Please contact your Little League Coordinator for more information to see if you qualify.

- The Goodyear Little Challenger division is a program for mentally and physically disabled youth to enjoy the full benefits of Little League participation in an athletic environment structured to their abilities. However, whenever possible and with reasonable accommodations, disabled youngsters should participate in unrestricted league play provided their participation is possible and fair within the standard rules and regulations of Little League. More than the skills of baseball learned through the experience, the value of the Little League Challenger Division is found in the proven therapeutic and socialization benefits of participating in sports, the strengthening of the participants' self-esteem, the opportunities to mainstream into other divisions of play, and the disciplines of teamwork, citizenship and fair play which are hallmarks of the Little League program.

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➔ Please check ☑ the box with verified items and highlight anything that is missing on the Goodyear Little League Registration Application.
➔ Do not accept any incomplete Registration Forms! Please highlight what is needed to complete the registration form and return to the Payee!

One (1) Proof of Residency Verified: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ***Initial*:**_____ Birth Certificate and D.O.B. Verified: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ***Initial*:**_____

Parents Signatures Verified (Waiver): ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ***Initial*:**_____ Customer Skills Entered (Birth Certificate): ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ***Initial*:**_____

Date Received: _____ **Amount Paid: $**_____**Cash/Check/Credit Card/Money Order #:**_____**Exp:**_____

Receipt #:_____ **Received by:** Little League Official ☐ Goodyear Staff ☐ **Name:**_____

Wait List: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** **Date Wait Listed:** _____ **Time Wait Listed:** _____ **Team placed on:** _____

Refund/Credit: $_____ **Date Issued:**_____ **Voucher #:** _____ **Issued by**_____

Program Code: RC0414 **Multiple siblings in Little League:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** **Little League Scholarship:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** **Volunteer Application:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

1st Sibling:_____ **2nd Sibling:**_____ **3rdSibling:**_____