

2023 Cal Ripken 8U State Tournament

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Andalusia, Alabama
June 30th – July 3rd, 2023



Earl Johnson, Mayor

June 7, 2023

Dear Players and Families,

On behalf of the entire City Council and the citizens of our community, I welcome you to Andalusia for the 2023 Alabama Cal Ripkin Baseball 8U Boys State Tournament. We hope you are comfortable with your stay, and we wish you the best of luck as you compete in the tournament. Should you need anything during your stay, please do not hesitate to ask tournament officials for help.

Again, we offer you our best wishes on a great tournament.

Very Truly Yours,

Earl V. Johnson, J.D., L.H.D.
Mayor, City of Andalusia



CITY OF ANDALUSIA



PARKS AND RECREATION

Dear Cal Ripken Baseball Participants, Parents and Babe Ruth Officials,

The City of Andalusia would like to congratulate each of you for making it to the 2023 Cal Ripken 8U Alabama State Tournament.

Your season likely began in January or February with team practices. Now some six months and hundreds of miles later, you find yourself in Andalusia for the 2023 Cal Ripken 8U Alabama State Tournament. We want to do everything possible to make sure that this tournament not only meets but exceeds your expectations.

We hope that while you are in Andalusia that you will find many of the comforts of home with our southern hospitality atmosphere; along with many pleasant memories to take back with you. Our greatest wish is that you and your family enjoy your stay and can say that our city achieved our ambition of putting on a first-class event in your departure.

On behalf of everyone with Andalusia Parks and Recreation, welcome to Andalusia and may everyone leave with great memories.

Sincerely,

Willie Edwards

Leisure Service Director

Johnson Park Information:

-The tournament will be held at the Johnson Park

Address: 706 Carson St, Andalusia AL 36420

-Johnson Park Baseball Fields:

Johnson Park is a 4-field complex with dirt infield and the fence distance is 220 center field.

There will be 8 smaller warm-up fields located at the complex for use as needed first come first served.

There are 5 batting cages available, with a 25-minute limit first come first served use.

Tournament Play:

The theme for the week's play is **GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP**. The bottom line is that we are here to watch our children play a game, so please enjoy the games for what they are and let the participants do the same. Good sportsmanship is expected and required from all in attendance.

Since rain is always a possibility, there may be times when games have to be delayed or rescheduled. Hopefully, the weather will be favorable, but should it not cooperate every reasonable effort will be made to complete the State Tournament on time. The Tournament Director has the authority to waive rules and make exceptions to get the tournament completed. In the event your game is cancelled or rescheduled, make sure you get the word from your District Director or the Tournament Director.

Tournament Director: Willie Edwards

334-658-4787

Michael Hourel

334-504-0230

Coaches Meeting

There will also be a **Mandatory Zoom** meeting for all head coaches only at **6:00pm on Tuesday June 27th, 2023.** An invite will be sent out later closer to meeting date.

Team Check-In and Credentials Meeting

Date: Thursday June 29th, 2:00pm to 5:00pm

Place: Johnson Park Gymnasium, 706 Carson St. Andalusia, AL 36420

Please bring your tournament book to go over & \$650 Gate Fee. The meeting is Only for coaches on the tournament roster. Tournament rules and Play will be discussed here also along with any questions or concerns you may have. Gate Fee can also be mail to the above highlighted address but must be **Post Marked by June 22,2023.**

Opening Ceremonies:

Opening Ceremonies will be held on **Friday, June 30th 8:30 on Field 4** at Johnson Park. All players and coaches will be expected to attend and be in full uniform. We will provide each team with an opening ceremony lineup sheet that will show you where to line up on the field at the credentials meeting.

Tournament Notebook

NOTE: The Tournament team manager must place in the custody of the Tournament Director the following documents. All required documents must be assembled and kept in a ring binder. These documents must stay in the possession of the Tournament Director until the team's last game.

_____ Copy of the league accident insurance policy

_____ Copy of the league liability insurance policy

_____ Tournament team roster certified and signed by the League President

_____ Signed Consent for Treatment form for each player

_____ Coaching Certification I.D. Card for manager and coaches

_____ Letter of Eligibility

Park Policies:

-Personal coolers are **NOT allowed** in the complex and only ONE TEAM COOLER will be allowed. If a cooler is brought into the park and it is deemed a team cooler, it must be in the dugout. Any cooler not in the dugout with the team will be subject to removal from the park.

- No Sitting or Tent setup will be allowed behind home plate.
- Absolutely no air horns or artificial noise makers.
- Every dugout will have a water cooler and cups that will be refilled throughout the day. We will also be operating a full concession stand as well as numerous satellite stands throughout the complex.
- A Convenience Shuttle is provided for anyone that needs assistance getting to or from their vehicle. No personal transportation will be allowed inside the gates. To get shuttle driver assistance contact:

Grayson Lumpkin 334-343-8019

- All City of Andalusia prohibits the use of tobacco, vaping products and alcoholic beverages at its related events.
- No bicycles, skateboards, scooters, heelys, rollerblades, or hover boards are allowed at the park.
- Any spectator or coach who becomes disruptive will be asked to leave the park immediately.
- PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE PARK, NO EXCEPTIONS. There are reputable veterinarians in Andalusia that provide boarding, but you must make your reservations in advance as space is limited.
- If you should need assistance during the tournament, please look for one of the Andalusia Parks and Recreation staff members. We will be happy to do whatever we can do to assist you.

T-Shirts

Tournament T-shirts will be on sale throughout the tournament for \$20.00. Teams can pre order their T-shirts to make sure they get one by completing form below.

T-Shirt Order Form

	Team Name:				
	Name	Contact Info	Size	Quantity	Color
1					White
2					White
3					White
4					White
5					White
6					White
7					White
8					White
9					White
10					White
11					White
12					White
13					White
14					White
15					White
16					White
17					White
18					White
19					White
20					White



Photographer

Kinsey's Photography will be on site doing action shots pictures and team photos during Opening Ceremonies and games. Please remember to visit them and get you photos for a lifetime of memories.

Kinsey's Photography: 334-222-2195

Action Photos

Coaches: Kinsey's Photography is available to do action pictures at your game.

You will need to call to schedule times for your game. We can only do one game at the time.

The price is \$15 per player on the team for a CD disc of the entire game.

If your team has 12 players it would be $12 \times \$15$ for a total of \$180, 10 players would be \$150.

The price is based on each player getting a disc. We can't guarantee a particular number of photos for each player, it will depend on how much playing time each player gets.

Coaches will receive a free disc. Each disc will have all the game shots.

2023 Cal Ripken 8U State Tournament Local Hotels & Campgrounds & For Surrounding Areas

As the tournament approaches here are several hotel options as well as campgrounds for those who may be interested in bringing campers. Also we added the exact mileage to each destination.

Andalusia Hotels RV Parks and Campgrounds

- Holiday inn Express & Suites (334) 427-2740
- Days Inn (334) 539-8269
- Quality Inn (334) 222-8891
- Econo Lodge (334) 222-7511
- Sunset Inn (334) 222-3191
- Oak Family RV Park & Campground (334) 804-2267
- Point A RV Park & Campground (334) 504-0568
- Gantt Lake RV Park (334) 714-3704

Opp, Al 16 miles 20 mins

- Best Western Opp Inn (334) 493-9000
- Executive Inn (334) 493-6399

Troy, Al 52 miles 1hour

- Hampton INN (334) 807-5900
- Best Western Troy INN (334) 566-1586
- Courtyard by Marriott (334) 566-0540
- Deer Run RV Park (334) 566-6517
- Walnut Creek RV Park (334) 482-3522

Enterprise Al 43 miles 50 mins

- Best Western Plus Circle Inn (334) 393-5248
- Holiday Inn Express (334) 347-2211
- Hampton Inn & Suites by Marriott (334) 347-5763
- Enterprise RV Park (334) 477-9094

Evergreen, Al 31 miles 35 mins

- Sleep Inn & Suites (251) 578-9590
- Quality Inn Evergreen (251) 578-4701
- Econo Lodge (251) 578-2100
- Owassa Lakeside RV (251) 578-0976

Greenville, AL 46 miles 50mins

- Holiday Inn Express & Suites (334) 382-2444
- Best Western (334) 382-9200
- Hampton Inn (334) 389-9361
- Sherling Lake Park & Campground (334) 382-3638

PACKING LIST

Below is a check list to help you when you are packing.

****Uniform****

Jersey
Pants
Socks
Belt
Shoes
Cap
Sliding Pants
Undershirt
Cup
Glove
Bat
Batting Gloves
Helmet
Baseball Bag
Jacket (if needed)
Phone Charger

Clothes for 5 days

Underwear
Sleepwear
Socks
Shoes
Swim Suit
Shampoo
Deodorant
Soap
Toothpaste /Toothbrush
Brush/Comb
Medicine (if needed)



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Andalusia Health

849 S. 3 Notch St.

(334) 222-8466

+ 24 Hour Emergency Room

Andalusia Walk-In Clinic

301 Medical Park Dr

(334) 428-2273

Andalusia Police

(334) 222-1155

Andalusia Fire

Department (334) 222-1121

Covington County Sheriff

(334) 428-2641

Alabama State Troopers

(334) 265-2782

Poison Control Center

(800) 292-6678

Ambulance

Dial 911

Local Places of Worship Andalusia, Alabama



Southside Baptist Church
1213 Western Bypass
334-325-2006

First Baptist Church
703 E 3 Notch Street
334-222-5152

First Baptist Church Whatley
334-222-5768

First Pentecostal Church
609 Snowden Dr.
334-881-0549

Green Tree Christian
16554 US-84
334-427-0023

First Presbyterian Church
223 S 3 Notch St
334-222-5352

Grace Chapel Baptist Church
310 Feagin Ave
334-582-4722

Andalusia Full Gospel Taber.
1600 Stanley Ave
334-222-2487

Holy Tabernacle
621 S. Cotton St
334-222-6600

St. Mary's Episcopal Church
1307 E 3 Notch St
334-222-2487

Kingdom Hall
15947 US-29
334-222-8131

West Highland Baptist Church
200 Thweatt St
334-222-4739

Adellum Baptist Church
12514 Brooklyn Rd
334-222-0843

Bethany Baptist Church
14632 Heath River Falls
334-222-5551

First United Methodist
406 E 3 Notch St
334-222-5108

Church of God and Christ
234 N Cotton
334-222-1815

Victory Baptist Church
210 Walker Ave
334-222-8323

First Unity Missionary Baptist
540 Carlton St

