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REGISTER TO PLAY YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL
THIS SPRING

New bat regulations will go into effect for youth spring 2012 season

FORSYTHCOUNTY, Georgia – Forsyth County youth athletes will soon start taking the field for the start of the spring baseball and softball season.

The Forsyth County Parks and Recreation Department is inviting local youth ages 5 to 18 to sign up for spring baseball and softball. Four sign-up sessions will be available Saturday, January 14 and 21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, January 15 and 22, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Sign-up sessions will be held at the following locations:

- **Bennett Park Baseball and Softball**
Chestatee Elementary – 6875 Keith Bridge Road
www.bennettparkbaseball.com
- **Coal Mountain Park Baseball and Softball**
Coal Mountain Park Community Building – 3560 Settingdown Road
www.coalmountainbaseball.com
- **Central Park Baseball and Softball**
Central Park Recreation Center – 2300 Keith Bridge Road
www.centralparkathleticassociation.com
- **Midway Park Baseball and Softball**
Midway Park Community Building – 5100 Post Road
www.midwaypark.org

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- **Sawnee Mountain Park Baseball and Softball**
Sawnee Mountain Park Community Building – 3995 Watson Road
www.leaguelineup.com/sawneemountainpark
- **Sharon Springs Park Baseball and Softball**
Sharon Springs Park Community Building – 1950 Sharon Road
www.ssaa-kids.com

Each youth athlete must present a birth certificate and be five years of age before September 1, 2012, to be eligible to play. Any player who participated on a high school team (varsity, junior varsity or freshman team) will not be eligible to participate in the recreation program in the same season.

Practices are scheduled to begin February 27 with games beginning April 9. The season will culminate in a postseason tournament scheduled to begin on May 18.

New bat regulations have been implemented by the Forsyth County Parks and Recreation Department for the youth spring 2012 season. These regulations have been introduced to help ensure the safety of youth athletes.

“The bat technology has advanced to a point where it can pose a potential danger for the players in the field,” said Youth Athletic Supervisor Clayton Munnell. “These new regulations are about the safety of our players.”

For more information, contact Clayton Munnell at 770.781.2215 or ccmunnell@forsythco.com. For details on the new bat regulations, visit the Parks and Recreation Department’s athletics page at www.forsythco.com.

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