

SOFTBALL EVALUATION OVERVIEW

Purpose: To provide players interested in joining the Recreation Softball Program the opportunity to be placed in an environment that best fits his/her softball playing ability.

Where:

Buffalo Glen Softball Complex (west of The Villages Charter High School on HWY 466)

When:

Every Tuesday at 8AM except for holidays, rainouts, and during maintenance closures. Listen to radio announcements on Tuesday mornings for cancellations. You may also sign up for E-Notifications online at districtgov.org (Radio: AM 640 or FM 102.7)

First Timers Requirements:

Sign in time – 7:45AM. Participants will need their Villages ID card, telephone number, Village name, and glove (bats are provided). Participants will sign a waiver of liability and VCDD Recreation Department Code of Conduct. Participants are asked to wear proper softball attire and shoes. Rubber cleats, turf shoes, and tennis shoes are acceptable for softball evaluation participants. No metal spikes.

Qualifications:

Men – Village Resident or renter with valid ID age 50 or older

Women – Village Resident or renter with valid ID age 40 or older

***Guests** are only permitted to be evaluated after receiving approval from the Sports Coordinator and the Director of Recreation.

Procedure:

Three days of evaluations need to be completed within six months of your first Evaluation. Each Evaluation will last approximately 1.5 to 2 hours per session, depending on number of participants.

Upon Completion:

The Participants will be eligible to sign up as substitutes in The Villages Recreation and Neighborhood Leagues. For their first season, players must sign up for the division they were evaluated for. They will be eligible to enter the next season's draft as a full time player. Players may move up or down one division after their first season. Players who have not played in 3 calendar years must attend a Re-Evaluation before signing up to play.

Please contact Saddlebrook Recreation Center with any questions regarding softball at 352-259-5377