

## 2015 P2A Events

- Arkadelphia (2)
- Benton (2)
- Burns Park (4)
- Heber Springs (1)
- Hope (1)
- Sheridan (3)

## 2015 P2A Outlook

- St Judes Benefit
- Collegiate Games to Umpire

## Guest Speaker

- Mark Balisterri, Head Baseball Coach Benton High School

## 2015 Rule Changes



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  - Placement of Coaches while on Defense and Offense
    - Defense – 3 Coaches/Manager Max outside the dugout. No Coach or Manager shall exceed arms distance from the front of the dugout fence.
      - 1<sup>st</sup> offense is warning, any subsequent warning, the umpire shall remove the Coach/Manager from the dugout. Also, Coaches/Manager must maintain Sportsmanship conduct that does not impact a player.
    - Offense – 2 base Coaches/Manager shall coach from base pads. If a Manager only does not occupy a coaching position to the base pads, he may coach from a bucket within arms distance from the front of the dugout fence.
  - Dugouts
    - Coaches/Manager and Players only in dugouts
    - A Team Mom or Volunteer is acceptable, but must be 18 years or older.
  - Certified Umpires
    - Umpire must be registered prior to stepping on a field to Umpire. In the event an umpire is not registered, P2A will register the umpire and \$75 will be deducted from the umpires pay check to handle processing and fees.

## Time Management

- Hustle into position
- Work together on getting teams on and off the field.
- Encourage coaches to have someone warming up pitchers.
- Don't waist time talking to fans.
- Be sure and have coaches sign Scorecards at the end of the game. Remember, it's the official record
- If a coaches ask for an appeal DO IT!!!
- Hustle

## Game Management

- How to Start and End a game.
- Crowd Control
- Where to stand between innings
- Don't waist time talking with your partner
- Be approachable



## Appearance

- Clean Shoes
- Pressed Pants
- Clean Shirts
- If you have facial hair trim it.



## Umpire Conduct

- Be approachable, these guys are paying to be in our tournaments.  
(everyone isn't going to be happy)



## Field Positioning

- 2 Man Mechanics (see document)
  - Always hustle
  - ALWAYS STAY FOCUSED on the game
  - Don't wear a watch
  - Use, give and respond to signals with your partner
  - Never put your hands in your pockets
  - DO NOT become best buddies with managers, coaches or players
  - Don't linger after the game
  - Always be careful what you say
  - More....















## Other

- National Club Baseball Association
  - Jacksonville, AR
  - May 1-3, 2015



<http://www.clubbaseball.org/>

**Striiiiike 3!** | A breakdown of some of Major League Baseball's most distinctive third-strike calls.

THE SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER	THE KUNG FU GRIP	THE SPEED SKATER	THE TASMANIAN DEVIL
<p>BASED ON: BOB DAVIDSON</p>  <p><b>1</b> Right arm up and out, extend finger up</p>	<p>BASED ON: FIELDIN CULBRETH</p>  <p><b>1</b> Throw weight back on right foot</p>	<p>BASED ON: DAN IASSOGNA</p>  <p><b>1</b> Draw left hand back</p>	<p>BASED ON: TOM HALLION</p>  <p><b>1</b> Close left fist</p>
 <p><b>2</b> Begin turning left</p>	 <p><b>2</b> Begin punch with left arm</p>	 <p><b>2</b> Begin shifting weight right</p>	 <p><b>2</b> Begin twirling right</p>
 <p><b>3</b> Punch with the right hand</p>	 <p><b>3</b> Follow through with a kick</p>	 <p><b>3</b> Shift to the right and punch ahead</p>	 <p><b>3</b> Punch hard and out</p>

## Forms

- Covering
  - Umpire Evaluations
    - Forms to be completed by teams and turned into gatekeepers.
    - Forms are located near Pitch Card & Stat sheet area. These will be randomly handed to teams on Saturday during Pool Play.
  - Coach, Player or Fan Ejection
    - The Short Form must be completed after the game.
    - Forms are located near Pitch Card & Stat sheet area.
  - Scorecards
    - # of outs per inning by pitcher (Name & Number)
    - Always complete Team Names and Age Division.
    - All Cards must be signed by Coaches.