

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BABE RUTH BASEBALL

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Wally Waldridge, WNC Babe Ruth Baseball District 8 Commissioner

Wall and the following

I have received from Headquarters your charters for the Cal Ripken, Babe Ruth 13-15, and Babe Ruth 16-18 Baseball. I will be getting them to you soon via Wally Waldridge, your District Commissioner for baseball. I welcome you to Babe Ruth League and look forward to working with you in baseball.

Then next step is to set and submit your league boundaries. It is the responsibility of the State Commissioner to approve your league boundaries. We have talked about setting the Davidson County Lines as your boundaries and I would love to see that happen. Two things that you must realize if those are your boundaries:

- Any players who live outside the county, even if they are in the local
 community are not eligible to play in your league. I suggest that if you have
 any communities that are close to your county lines, that you look closely to
 where their players live. We can work the boundaries out to include the entire
 community.
- 2. You must not deny any players that live inside your boundaries the chance to play on a Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth league team solely because they live in an area that one of your associations is not in charge of that communities' program. If there is a need to limit your associations to their respective communities and/or school districts, then we will omit any parts of the county that you do not want players to participate with your league. Just as you cannot stop a player from playing with an association that is not playing in our program, you cannot deny any player that lives inside your boundaries solely because of where he lives.

I will be glad to talk with you further about your boundaries. We will need to have these boundaries in writing prior to you starting your 2004 sign ups.