



Babe Ruth League, Inc.
Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball
Hall of Fame Nomination Procedure

I. Scope and Purpose

The Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame is established to recognize and honor those persons and organizations, within the State of Alabama, who have played a vital role in the development of Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball for youth between the ages of five and 18 years old. A person or organization must have at least 10 years of volunteering their service in time, effort or other significant contributions. The purpose of the Alabama Babe Ruth Hall of Fame is to preserve the names of those who have displayed outstanding ability in the supporting or playing of baseball and/or softball within Alabama and/or have contributed meritorious service to the mission, reputation, development or progress of baseball and softball.

II. Requirements

In order to be considered for induction into the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame, an individual, team, or sponsor must have performed or made contributions to an Alabama Babe Ruth League resulting in the advancement, development, progress, or overall betterment for the citizens within Alabama.

An individual must have been involved with volunteering their personal time and resources to Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball for a minimum of 10 years. This involvement may be in any capacity directly associated as a player, manager, coach, or league official.

Leagues may be considered for induction provided they have been a chartered affiliate for no less than 10 years and have demonstrated their continuous dedication to providing a positive environment that enhances the Babe Ruth League Code of Conduct.

Teams may be considered for induction provided they have demonstrated above and beyond that which is normally expected in displaying sportsmanship, winning attitude, parental support and great teamwork.

Players may be considered for induction by playing in Babe Ruth League for at least five years, making a significant contribution to their team, their league and to their community. The player must have exemplified and maintained discipline and strong character while playing in Babe Ruth League.

Sponsors may be considered for induction provided they have demonstrated continued support for Babe Ruth League for at least 10 years. This display does not have to be in the form of monetary support, and may include participation by their employees with special recognition to those employees who provided volunteer services.

III. Nomination

Each District Commissioner is allowed to nominate an unlimited number of candidates for consideration for Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame induction. The District Commissioner may receive nominations from any league, but all nominations must be endorsed by the league president before the nomination may be forwarded for consideration. Not all nominations must be originated by a Babe Ruth League or by an Alabama Babe Ruth District Commissioner. The nomination must be provided in writing to the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball State Commissioner no later than January 1st of the year to be considered; nominations received after this date shall not be considered.

The nomination must include the nominee's name and contact information as well as a write up of the nominee's achievements and qualifications in order to be considered for the Alabama Babe Ruth Hall of Fame induction.

IV. Election/Selection Process

A committee consisting of five members shall be selected by the Alabama District Commissioners at the state meeting each year. Each season, the Alabama Babe Ruth Hall of Fame Committee shall elect/select no more than five (5) inductees into the Alabama Babe

Ruth Baseball/ Softball Hall of Fame. may be instances where not all inductee spots are elected/selected. Election/selection process will include introduction of each nominee by the Alabama State Commissioner by reading the information provided on the nomination document. Once all nominees have been introduced, election/selection shall commence by secret balloting by each Alabama Babe Ruth Hall of Fame Committee member. The Committee shall consider all nominations and voting shall be based upon the individual's record, ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character and contribution to the game. Members may vote for as few as zero (0) and as many as five (5) total for baseball and softball. Nominees will be elected/selected by majority votes.

The votes will be tallied by the Alabama State Commissioner, or his designate, who will only vote in the event of a tie. If no decisive nominees are elected then the election/selection process will go into the second round and shall consist of those nominees receiving the highest number of votes. If needed, the election/selection process will go into a third and final round, using the same criteria as the second round. Under no circumstance will the election/selection process go past a third round. If after three rounds of election/selection no inductees have been determined, the Alabama State Commissioner shall select inductee(s) from the list of highest vote receivers, or they may determine a single inductee based on previous votes, or they may determine that there will be no inductee(s).

V. Ceremonies

Induction ceremonies shall display honor and dignity on those inducted into the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame. The inductee shall be honored at one of the tournaments of their choosing. The inductee may be honored by throwing out the first pitch and will be presented with a plaque in honor of their induction into the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame. Other ceremonies, such as a banquet or dinner, may be rendered at the discretion of the Alabama State Commissioner.

VI. Recognition

By being inducted into the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame, an individual's achievements are highlighted and it places them into an elite class. Each inductee

will be identified on the Alabama Babe Ruth State website and will have a permanent identification recorded in the Alabama Babe Ruth State Constitution in the attachment entitled "Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Hall of Fame Members" which contain information from the nomination documentation and shall be maintained by the Alabama State Commissioner.

*Note: In 2022, the inaugural year of the Alabama Babe Ruth Baseball and Softball Hall of Fame, there will be no limit on amount of inductees.