

## **Minor League Age Players: AGES 9 – 10**

Herriman Baseball prides itself in providing the best experience possible for all baseball players in our organization. As the years have gone on, we have done our best to adapt to the needs of the players, the rapid growth of our league, and the challenges of running a successful organization.

We would like to introduce an exciting change to our Minor League this year. In years past, we have had 10-12 teams in this division. In trying to manage this division similar to the other age groups we have noticed that there becomes a significant variance in the performance of the teams. As a result it has become very hard to provide an excellent and quality experience for all players. Beginning this year 2009 we will be splitting the Minor League into two divisions. Herriman Baseball will now have a National League and an American League in the Minors.

By creating two divisions, we we will be able to provide a more positive playing experience for all players, while strengthening and advancing their individual skills. Players will be divided in such a way that will best support their individual skill levels. This method of division will provide all players the opportunity to learn more of the fundamentals of baseball, as they will be able to play various positions, in more game situations. This change should also help balance the final results of games played, creating more positive results for all players and fans. The change will also give teams the opportunity to play each other more often, which will also help to equalize the opportunities and results.

All players will be required to try out this year, regardless of whether or not they played in this division last year. The coaches will also be reselected this year and will be approved by the league presidency and the commissioner of the division. This will help us to provide a better balance within each of the two divisions.

Please help us in this time of transition. Herriman Baseball has an obligation to provide each player with the most positive baseball experience possible. This is what we are seeking to achieve with this change. As with any new program, we expect that there will be challenges, and as they arise, we will make any adjustments necessary as the season progresses.

We appreciate your support, and it is with your support that we can make this a very positive and successful season for everyone: Players, Parents, Coaches and League Officials.

Regards,

Herriman Baseball Presidency