

Ballston Spa Central School District
ATHLETIC FIELD TRIP REQUEST FORM

Today's date 11/10/24 Field trip date Evening 3/25/25 Return Date Depart Myrtle Beach 3/30/25

- ☒ I/We request approval for the field trip outlined below
☐ I/We request that transportation be provided for this field trip.
(Check one) ☐ School District ☐ Contract carrier*

*Name of Carrier _____

School transportation will only be provided for trips within Section 2. Overnight trips within the Section will require a split trip.

Team Ballston Spa Varsity Baseball

Coach (es) Nobles J. DuFort

Sponsor _____ Destination Myrtle Beach, SC

Educational/Competitive Purpose: Spring training

Are instructional substitutes required? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, how many? _____
(Attach a copy of professional development request form requesting substitute funds)

How will this trip be funded? ☒ Booster Club ☒ Fund raising ☐ Other (Please Specify) _____
(If fund raising is needed, please attach a completed request for fund raising form)

Time of departure: _____ AM PM (Circle one) Pick-up location High School 1

Time of Return: _____ AM PM (Circle one) Drop-off location High School 1

Number of student participants: estimate 20 Number of chaperones: estimate 3-4

Itinerary for trip: (Please attach. This should include name(s) of chaperones, opponents, lodging, and contact phone numbers)

Indicate any monies student participants are responsible for: \$ undetermined at this time

Administrative Authorization

Director of Athletics [Signature] Approved ☒ Disapproved _____ Date 11/15/24

Building Principal [Signature] Approved ☒ Disapproved _____ Date 11/15/24

Superintendent _____ Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Date _____

Board of Education _____ Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Date _____

Athletic Field Trip Itinerary:

Field Trip Date: Depart – Evening 3/25/25

Field Trip Return: Depart Myrtle Beach for Return – 3/30/25

Departure Time: To be Determined

Return Time: To be Determined

Bus Carrier Getting Quotes – Waiting for Confirmation on school contribution

Team Ballston Spa Varsity Baseball

Coaches Nobles/Dufort

Purpose Games/Spring Training

Bus requested to be funded by the school and booster club with the booster club providing the driver tip.

Number of students/athletes attending: 20 (Estimate – exact number of attendees will not be known until the completion of tryouts)

Number of coaches attending: 4 (Estimate – based on players)

Additional information regarding gameplay can be found in the attached Welcome Packet.

Myrtle Beach Spring Training Baseball Trip – Spring 2025

Wednesday - March 26, 2025 - Bus Departs Ballston Spa HS - (Time TBD)

- Will stop at midpoint to switch drivers due to regulations.

Thursday - March 27, 2025 - Bus Arrives in Myrtle Beach - Grand Cayman Resort (7200 N Ocean Blvd, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572) - (Time TBD)

- Breakfast
- Practice at Cal Ripken facility
- Mandatory Study Hours at hotel
- Dinner
- Game TBD

Friday - March 28, 2025 -

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Game Schedule TBD

Saturday - March 29, 2025-

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Team Dinner - Location TBD
- Game Schedule TBD

Sunday - March 30, 2025 -

- Breakfast
- Game Schedule TBD
- Board bus to return to BSpa

**** All students must attend school on Monday****



HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

2025 SPRING TRAINING | PRESENTED BY: **VARSITY**
SCOREBOARDS

THE RIPKEN EXPERIENCE® MYRTLE BEACH

Dear Team,

Thank you for choosing The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach as your Spring Training destination. We're certain that you'll enjoy the complex and find that it has everything you need to kick off your season The Ripken Way.

Please take some time to review the following information. We recommend holding a team meeting, so all participants are fully informed of the facility policies and general information.

Several thousand players, coaches, and families have walked through the gates since our Grand Opening in June 2006, and whether this is your first trip or one of many, we wish you a memorable experience of baseball and fun here in Myrtle Beach.

Sincerely,

Carly J. Ziv



THE RIPKEN EXPERIENCE® MYRTLE BEACH

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PAYMENT DATES & DEADLINES

Due at time of registration:

\$1,000 Deposit

Due November 22, 2024:

Schedule Request Form - Please Submit ASAP After Registering

Due January 15, 2025:

\$1,000 2nd Payment

Due Two Weeks Prior to the Team Arriving:

- Final Payment
- Team Insurance Certificate (proof of insurance through school, please list Extra Bases, LLC as additional insured)
- Online Roster Completed
- Rooming List sent to Kim Berbary at kim.berbary@ripkenhotels.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach

3051 Ripken Way Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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HS Baseball Questions / Schedule Questions

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Family Accommodations (Ripken Preferred Hotels coordinator)

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Allyssa Timan

Baseball Team Coordinator (team room questions)

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atiman@ripkenbaseball.com

Brad Levy

Spring Training High School Admin (Insurance & Waivers)

(843) 213-2288

blevy@ripkenbaseball.com

Desiree McGuirk

Team Meals

(843) 213-2291

dmcguirk@ripkenbaseball.com



GENERAL INFORMATION

Team Insurance

Each team is required to carry its own insurance and submit a certificate of insurance to The Ripken Experience® prior to their event. The certificate must list our legal entity, Extra Bases, LLC, as additionally insured. No team will be allowed to play until we receive this information, and it is verified. Please email to blevy@ripkenbaseball.com.

Team Waiver

Each team is required to have all their players and coaches complete. This will be completed electronically through your LeagueApps account. More information will be sent out in the upcoming months.

Schedule Request Form

Please return your schedule request form by email or mail, no later than **Friday, November 22, 2024.** High School schedules will be available in February.

Parking

There is plenty of FREE parking available for all visitors at The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach.

Admission

Admission to The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach is included in the team's entry fee.

There will be **NO GATE FEE** at any of our events. We encourage family and friends to come to the complex to cheer on the athletes and show their support.

Metal Cleats

NO metal cleats for all players.

Sunflower Seeds / Gum

No sunflower seeds or gum are allowed in the dugouts or on the playing field, as these substances ruin the turf and block drainage.

Baseballs / Practice Equipment

Game balls will be provided by The Ripken Experience® for all games. Teams are to bring their own practice balls. Water will be provided for every game. Each team is responsible for all other baseball and safety equipment.

Batting Cages

There are 17 batting cages all equipped with L-screens at The Ripken Experience®. Cages are open to all teams on a first-come, first-serve basis, under the condition that teams use no more than 2 cages per session.

PA Announcers

Each field will feature a PA announcer and music. The PA announcer will operate your scoreboard but will not be the official scorekeeper and will not record official stats. If a game runs late, refer to your PA announcer regarding the next game's start time. Games at off-site facilities may not have a PA announcer.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Live Streaming Through HiCast

All games at The Ripken Experience® will be streamed online through HiCast. Parents, friends, and family will be able to access games in action from computers, tablets, or cell phones from hicastsports.com/ripkenmyrtlebeach

Post Game Meeting

Once your game is finished, please clean your dugout and conduct your post-game meeting off the field so other teams can begin their pre-game without delay.

Big League Grill / Concessions

The Ripken Experience® offers a variety of food and beverage options on-site for your convenience. The Big League Grill in the main building offers all of your stadium classics. Other satellite concession stands offers grab and go snacks. Team meal options are available through the Big League Grill and can be purchased using our pre-order meal form. ***Please note, we are a cashless facility.**

No Tobacco Products

Absolutely no tobacco products will be permitted inside The Ripken Experience® complex. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in being asked to leave the property.

Pro Shop / Merchandise

The Ripken Experience® merchandise will be on sale throughout Spring Training. There will be a limited amount of Spring Training t-shirts which teams can reserve by filling out our t-shirt pre-order form.

***Please note, the pro shop is cashless.**

Satellite Fields

Most of the games will take place at The Ripken Experience® complex. However, due to high demand on certain days, teams may be scheduled at quality off-site fields. Past satellite fields have included Myrtle Beach High School, Socastee High School, Carolina Forest High School, and Grand Park at Market Commons.

Grand Park at Market Commons

Grand Park at Market Commons is a 9-field turf complex located approximately 20 minutes from The Ripken Experience, and is operated by the city of Myrtle Beach. For more information, visit www.grandparklive.com.

Hotel Information

Ripken Preferred Hotels is the exclusive hotel provider for all Ripken Experience events, with many options to choose from. View properties online at ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations or for more information, contact Kim Berbary at kim.berbary@ripkenhotels.com or (843)-213-2699.

First-Aid / Certified Athletic Trainers

A First Aid responder will be on-site at The Ripken Experience® (All full time staff are First Aid, AED, and CPR certified). It is important to remember that First Aid responders are not medical doctors. They provide basic first aid, determine the severity of injuries, and make recommendations as to whether or not a player should see a doctor or go to the emergency room.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Local Gym

The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach has partnered with Core Fitness for shower purposes for \$5 per player. Each player must bring their own towel and turn in **this waiver** at Core Fitness.
1141 Robert M Grissom Pkwy, Myrtle Beach, SC, 29577
(843) 839-2673

What to Bring / Spectator Seating

Portable tents, chairs, and coolers are allowed inside the facility.

BASEBALL RULES

NO METAL CLEATS FOR ALL PLAYERS

High School Rules

- All teams are responsible for adhering to their high school state federations and rules
 - Questions can be directed to your state association
- All games/scrimmages will be governed by the NFHS rulebook
- All games/scrimmages will be 7 innings
- All practices will be 2 hours
- The 10-run rule will be in effect after 5 innings, and 4 ½ if the home team is winning
- There will be a 2 hour and 20-minute time limit on all JV games and scrimmages
 - No new inning can start after 2:20 for all scrimmages and unofficial games
- Home team will be listed on the on-line schedule, and occupy the 1st base dugout
- Please begin pre-game stretching off the field if the game(s) prior are running behind

Inclement Weather Policy

Although we cannot guarantee rain-outs will be rescheduled, every effort will be made to make up those games based on availability of fields and opponents. We have turf fields, lights, and no curfew, so we will play late if need be.

Suspended Game: A game that has been stopped at any time because of inclement weather, darkness, or light failure, will be continued from the point of suspension at a date and time to be determined by the site director. Suspended games are official games if 5 innings are completed, or if 4 ½ innings have been played and the home team is ahead.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Myrtlewood Villas

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 10:00am | Front Desk Hours: 9:00am - 5:00pm *If you are arriving outside of the above hours, the front desk will be closed. You can still check-in using the after-hours system. Your keys will be left in the drop box located on the outside of the Myrtlewood Villas office building.*

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations,
Front Desk: (888) 613-9475 1410 48th Avenue North Extension, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

*Units may be spread out. Myrtlewood Villas will make every effort possible to keep teams together, but there is a chance the units will be spread out.

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.
- MWV is a "Condo Community", so rooms tend to be larger than hotel rooms with more amenities inside. However, they do not come with daily housekeeping or additional toiletries.
- Some things you may want to bring: additional towels, soap, shampoo, bath tissue, laundry detergent, and general cleaning supplies.
- Start supplies will be provided to get you through the first day or two. They include: two rolls of toilet paper, bath soap, trash bags, two dishwasher packs, and coffee.

Amenities

Each condo unit is fully furnished and includes:

- Starter towels (we recommend bringing additional towels)
- Linens (pillows, sheets, blankets)
- Washers and dryers (laundry detergent is not included)
- Full kitchen (microwave, oven, utensils, pots, pans, ect.)
- 2 full bathrooms
- Indoor/Outdoor pool
- Cable television

Your team will be placed in either 2 or 3 bedroom condos depending on your numbers. Each player and coach will have their own bed.

- 2 bedroom condos - 5 players/condo (4 twin beds and 1 pull-out couch)
- 3 bedroom condos - 7 players/condo (6 twin beds and 1 pull-out couch)
- 2 bedroom condo - 2-4 coaches
- 3 bedroom condo - 5-6 coaches

Breakfast

- Served daily from 6:30am - 10:00am at the Ocean Reef • You will need transportation to get there
- Breakfast will include: bacon, eggs, biscuits, fruit, cereal, milk, coffee, and juice
- You will get breakfast tickets when checking into Myrtlewood Villas (required to receive breakfast)
- Breakfast is a \$5 charge.

Bus Parking

- MWV has limited bus parking available on a first come, first serve basis. You must arrange this through MWV before arriving.
- Buses are allowed to pick-up and drop-off on Wild Iris Drive only.
- Buses must stay on Wild Iris Drive. Under no circumstances can the bus enter other side streets off of Wild Iris Drive.
- It is recommended that the bus driver stay at a local hotel. This way, the bus can park overnight at the hotel and can pick-up and drop-off at Myrtlewood Villas accordingly. Please contact The Ripken Experience® for specific hotel information.



ACCOMODATIONS

Caribbean Resort

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 3000 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Indoor / Outdoor lazy rivers
- Bus parking
- On-site restaurant

1 bedroom with 2 double beds and TV. 1 bathroom in the common area. Galley style kitchen with small stove, microwave and a full size refrigerator. The living area has sleeper sofa, double Murphy bed, TV, and private oceanfront balcony.

- 5 players or 3 coaches per suite

Grand Cayman Resort

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 7100 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Indoor / Outdoor lazy rivers
- Bus parking
- On-site restaurant
- Starbucks

1 bedroom with 2 double beds and TV. 1 bathroom in the common area. Galley style kitchen with small stove, microwave, and a full size refrigerator. The living area has sleeper sofa, double Murphy bed, TV, and private oceanfront balcony.

- 5 players or 3 coaches per suite

Ocean Reef Resort

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 7100 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Indoor / Outdoor lazy rivers
- Bus parking
- On-site restaurant

2 queen beds, TV, private balcony, small two-top table, efficiency size kitchen with small stove, microwave, and coffee pot.

- 4 players or 2 coaches per suite



ACCOMODATIONS

Compass Cove Resort

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 7100 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Indoor / Outdoor lazy rivers
- Bus parking
- On-site restaurant
- Starbucks

1 bedroom with 2 double beds and TV. 1 bathroom in the common area. Galley style kitchen with small stove, microwave, and a full size refrigerator. The living area has sleeper sofa, double Murphy bed, TV, and private oceanfront balcony.

- 5 players or 3 coaches per suite

Breakers Resort

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 7100 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Indoor / Outdoor lazy rivers
- Bus parking
- On-site restaurant
- Starbucks

1 bedroom with 2 double beds and TV. 1 bathroom in the common area. Galley style kitchen with small stove, microwave, and a full size refrigerator. The living area has sleeper sofa, double Murphy bed, TV, and private oceanfront balcony.

- 5 players or 3 coaches per suite

Monterey Bay Suites

Check-in time: 4:00pm | Check-out time: 11:00am

Reservations

(843) 213-2699 or Ripkenbaseball.com/myrtle-beach-accommodations | 6804 N. Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

- A credit card is required at check-in for damage purposes. Any missing items or damages that occur will be charged to the credit card.

Amenities

- Oceanfront rooms
- Wireless internet
- Indoor / Outdoor swimming pools
- Roof top swimming pool
- Fitness Center
- Free Breakfast
 - Served from 7:00am-10:00am
 - Breakfast will include cereal & hot breakfast items.

1 bedroom with 2 double beds and TV. 1 bathroom in the common area. Galley style kitchen with small stove, microwave, and a full size refrigerator. The living area has sleeper sofa, double Murphy bed, TV, and private oceanfront balcony.

- 4 players or 2 coaches per suite



TRAVEL INFORMATION

Airport and Ground Transportation

Myrtle Beach International Airport is located 3 miles south of the complex. Direct Air, Spirit, Air Tran, Continental, Delta, Northwest and US Airways fly into Myrtle Beach International Airport.

Enterprise Car Rental

(855) 266-9289

www.enterprise.com/ripkenbaseball

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(843) 294-5466

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DINING & ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

At The Ripken Experience® Myrtle Beach, we have a staff member on-site that can assist planning meals and activities to ensure you have an excellent experience on and off the field. We have partnered with several restaurants for exclusive discounts and group menus. Contact us at the help desk for more information or assistance with reservations (843) 213-2322 – Call or text.

RESTAURANT TYPE	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
American	Carolina Ale House	2915 Hollywood Dr.	843-839-4222
	The Hangout	1181 Celebrity Cir.	843-385-9811
Subs & Sandwiches	Team Eats	568 George Bishop Parkway	843-800-2266
	Firehouse Subs	1211 38th Ave. N.	843-626-9111
Fast Food	Chick-fil-A	1940 Joe White Ave	843-445-6467
	Wendys	2991 Joe White Ave	843-626-6506
Dessert	Tropical Sno	1325 Celebrity Cir.	843-410-3212

ATTRACTION TYPE	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
Shopping & Entertainment	Broadway at the Beach	1325 Celebrity Cir.	843-444-3200
	Wonder Works	1313 Celebrity Cir.	843-626-9962
Golf	Myrtlewood Golf Club	1500 48th Ave. North	843-913-4516
Waterpark	Myrtle Waves Waterpark	3000 Mr. Joe White Pkwy.	843-913-9250
Trampoline Park	Sky Zone	2200 N. Oak St.	843-242-3264
Mini Golf	Shipwreck Island Mini Golf	3301 S. Ocean Blvd.	843-913-5330
Golf	Top Golf	2850 Robert Grissom Pkwy.	843-945-3318



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