



Dear TABB Families,

Welcome to the 65th season of TABB Baseball!

The TABB Board would like to thank you for your continued support of our very special league. We cannot wait to see the kids back out on the ball fields starting February 28th!

Behind the scenes, the board has been hard at work lining everything up for another incredible season. TABB is committed to fostering an environment that will give our players the opportunity to learn more about the great game of baseball, practice weekly, compete with confidence, build lasting friendships, and create unforgettable memories.

Our Parent Meeting will give you the opportunity to meet your team manager, ask questions and learn about him/her as a coach. Just as important, this meeting is your opportunity to sign up for a volunteer role with your team. We understand that everyone is busy but your team needs your help in order to have a successful season. Please consider taking on one of the roles that help your team and TABB run smoothly.

Practices will begin in early February and your Team Manager will be in touch in the next few weeks with practice schedules and details. This Parent Packet contains important information you will need for this season. Please take some time to read through the entire packet.

Thank you so much for choosing TABB for your player's baseball experience! The managers and board members will give it our all to make sure every player learns a lot, has a great time and can't wait to round the bases again at TABB in 2027!

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to your Manager, Division VP or the Board. You can contact us directly at TorranceAmericanBaseballBoard@gmail.com.

Here's to a great 2026 season!

The TABB Board

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Opening Day: February 28th** - Join us for games, family activities, and a raffle with prizes including an e-bike from sponsor Vulcan Bikes. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase before and during Opening Day. All proceeds benefit TABB's fundraising efforts.
- **Field Clean Up Day: January 31st and February 7th.** Attendance at one session is required for each family. Field Prep Clinic will be held in the first hour and will teach all families how to properly set up the field before and after each game.
- **99 Pledges Fundraiser: Feb 16th through March 14th** - Join us for our biggest fundraiser of the year! This online campaign is crucial to TABB's operations, helping us purchase equipment and maintain our facilities. Each player receives a fundraising page and we'll provide some materials to help them succeed. This year, funds will support two major projects: bathroom and batting cage upgrades. Every contribution makes a difference in keeping our league running smoothly and improving the experience for all our players. Top fundraisers win prizes and winners are announced during the Skills Contest.
- **Picture Day: March 14th 8am-12pm.** Players arrive 20 minutes prior to time and meet their team. Times for each team will be announced at a later date.
- **Skills Contest: March 14th** - Our inaugural TABB Skills Contest will be held at TABB Fields directly after pictures.
- **Family Day: April 11th** - mark your calendars! More details to come, but count on a fun day of games and activities for the entire family.
- **Closing Day: May 17th** - come watch the championship games, celebrate a great season with your team and receive your TABB yearbook.

To stay up to date on all events and information, please use the QR codes below to follow TABB on Instagram and sign up for the newsletter!



FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM
JOIN THE COMMUNITY

Don't miss a pitch! Follow @torranceamericanbaseball for updates, highlights, and everything TABB



JOIN THE NEWSLETTER
GET THE LATEST FROM TABB

Stay in the game with all the latest from TABB by signing up for our newsletter.



DESCRIPTION OF PARENT VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

- **Coach/Assistant Coach:**
 - Attend all practices and games.
 - Assist the Manager by following his/her instructions for working with players.

- **Team Parent:**
 - Attend Team Parent Meeting on **Tuesday, January 27, 2026** at the TABB Boardroom.
 - Mustang & Bronco Team Parents meet at 5:30pm. Tball, Pinto and Shetland Team Parents meet at 6:30pm. If you are a veteran Team Parent, feel free to attend either session.
 - Assist Manager with team communications.
 - Make sure all positions are filled and carried out by parent volunteers.
 - Coordinate Picture Day, Organize Team Skills Contest and plan Closing Day Team Party
 - Board Contact: Laura Zinniger, tabbteammom46@gmail.com.

- **Game Day Parent:**
 - Ensure team families complete all Team Duties for each game. Team Duties are detailed on pages 14 and 15 of this packet.

- **Team Yearbook Page:**
 - Design and submit a team page for the yearbook. Player names and numbers, creative graphics and photos are encouraged. Deadline for the page is April 11, 2026. Submit pages to tabbyearbook22@gmail.com. Team pages must be submitted in PDF format.

Roles for Games

Scorekeeper: One or two parents will volunteer to keep the GameChanger for managers (Pinto, Mustang, and Bronco divisions).

Scoreboard Operator: One parent from the home team to check out the scoreboard remote at the snack shack and operate the scoreboard on the field from the stands (Mustang and Bronco fields).

Pitch Counter: One parent will keep track of pitches thrown by every pitcher for both teams during the game (Pinto, Mustang, and Bronco divisions).

LIVE SCAN POLICY

The safety of our participants shall always be our primary goal!

ALL managers, coaches, and board members, as well as anyone else having contact with the players must participate in this program

TABB has adopted a **MANDATORY** background check policy that will be conducted through the California Department of Justice. **Safe and Secure**, located in Torrance, administers formal background checks, via the "LIVESCAN" System. **The nominal cost for this service is \$20.00 (cash/Zelle)/\$21.00 (charge). All managers MUST BE cleared by Live Scan no later than their first official practice and all other volunteers MUST BE cleared by Opening Day.**

All Safe & Secure

DOJ & FBI Certified

Live Scan and FBI Ink Card FINGERPRINTING

Mon. - Fri. 9am - 6pm

Saturday 10am - 3pm

No appointment necessary

Call or Text Chris & Trina

310-373-3202

Notary & Passport Photo Services are also available
4172 Pacific Coast Hwy, Unit 103, Torrance, CA 90505
www.SafeSecureUSA.com



Safe & Secure is on the southeast corner of Pacific Coast Hwy & Anza Ave. **Starbucks** is on the same corner. Unit 103 is directly across from the **Walgreens** entrance. Walk-ins are welcome.

2026 TABB Snack Bar

- Two 3-hour shifts will be required per player with the exception of T-Ball. T-Ball will require one 3-hour shift. The shift can be covered by a parent or a family representative 16 yrs. and older.
 - Grill Shifts: The snack shack offers hot, made-to-order options which means each shift offers a grill shift. No experience is necessary and we will orient you so you are comfortable. Grill shifts must be covered by adult 18 or over.
- Shifts are weekdays between 4:30 pm. - 7:30 pm. and weekends between 8:30 am. - 6:30 pm
- Shifts consist of preparing food before opening, serving food and drinks, handling money, restocking products, washing dishes, and removing trash. Closing responsibilities include storing away food, cleaning counters and equipment, sweeping and mopping the floors.
- We will be using *Sign-up Genius* for scheduling of shifts. This allows for you to work around school/work schedules. The Sign-up Genius will be released shortly after the schedules are released. We urge you to sign up ASAP.

**** TABB is offering two options to cover your Snack Shack Responsibility ****

1. **DEPOSIT OPTION:** You have the option to provide deposit checks for working shifts at the Snack Shack. You will provide checks payable to TABB in the amounts shown on the fee schedule below. The checks will **not be cashed and will be returned to you at the end of each shift you work.** Uncashed checks are kept in a safe at TABB. You can provide these checks to your Team Parent at your first practice. Deposits must be received before uniforms can be distributed.
2. **BUY-OUT OPTION:** You also have the option to buyout your shifts. Please refer to the fee schedule below for pricing. This fee will excuse you from being expected to work in the Snack Bar during the regular season. You can provide these checks to your Team Parent at your first practice.

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

- Buy Out payments or Deposit Checks must be received before uniforms can be distributed. If your child does not have a uniform they will not be able to play.
- Once you schedule your shift, you are responsible for that shift. If you do not show up for your shift and you do not find coverage, your remaining checks will be immediately deposited, and your remaining regular season shifts will be covered by paid workers.

Snack Shack Deposit Check and BuyOut Amounts:

T-Ball		
	Check Deposit Option (Check made payable to: TABB)	BuyOut Option
T-Ball	Please provide one \$75 check per T-Ball player	\$75 per T-Ball player

ALL OTHER DIVISIONS (Shetland, Pinto, Mustang, Bronco)		
Number of Players	Check Deposit Option (All checks made payable to: TABB)	BuyOut Option
One Player	Please provide two checks. Each check should be \$100	\$200
Two Players	Please provide four checks. Each check should be \$87.50	\$350
Three+ Players	Please provide six checks. Each check should be \$75	\$450

If you would like to be a paid worker in our snack shack or if you know of a teenager 16+ yr. who would like to work a few shifts, please contact us. I would like to compose a list for reference.

If you have further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at TabbSnackShack@gmail.com.

With all your help we can make the snack shack run smoothly and successfully!

TABB Parking Plan

Operating Hours

Monday through Friday: 4PM-8PM. Saturday: 9AM -7:30PM. Sunday: 11AM-7:30PM.

TABB has developed the plan below to assist with parking. Please review this carefully and also reference the photos below.

Gate # 1 (Bottom of Doris Way hill), will remain closed throughout the season.

Gate # 2 (Carol Dr. & Doris Way), will be used as an **entry or exit point**, being the preferred gate for our **player drop-off area** between the Mustang and Bronco outfields. This area is near a walkway leading to the Main Snack Shack allowing access to both diamonds.

Gate # 3 (Reese Rd. & Doris Way), will remain closed throughout the season.

Gate # 4 (Sharynne Lane & Doris Way), which leads to the main parking lot, (See attached plot plan), will be used as an entering and exiting point for parking in our main parking lot. Please note this parking lot is for handicap parking, managers, and snack shack personnel only. Also, children like to play in this alleyway, so PLEASE drive slowly.

****Be respectful of the Seaside Neighborhood surrounding TABB****
DO NOT BLOCK DRIVEWAYS and be mindful of players walking through front yards.

ST. LAWRENCE PARKING

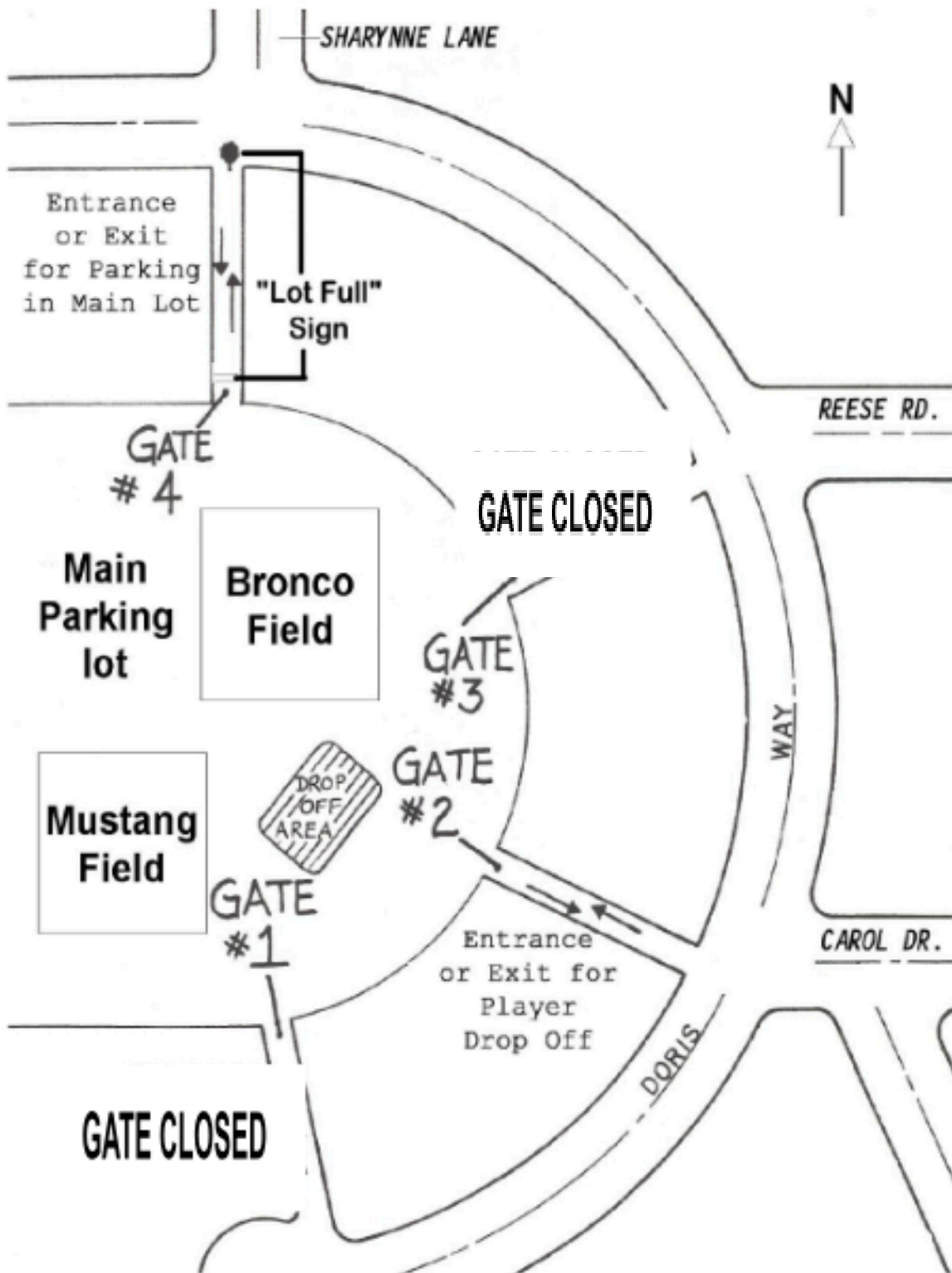
Pinto Field Parking at St. Lawrence

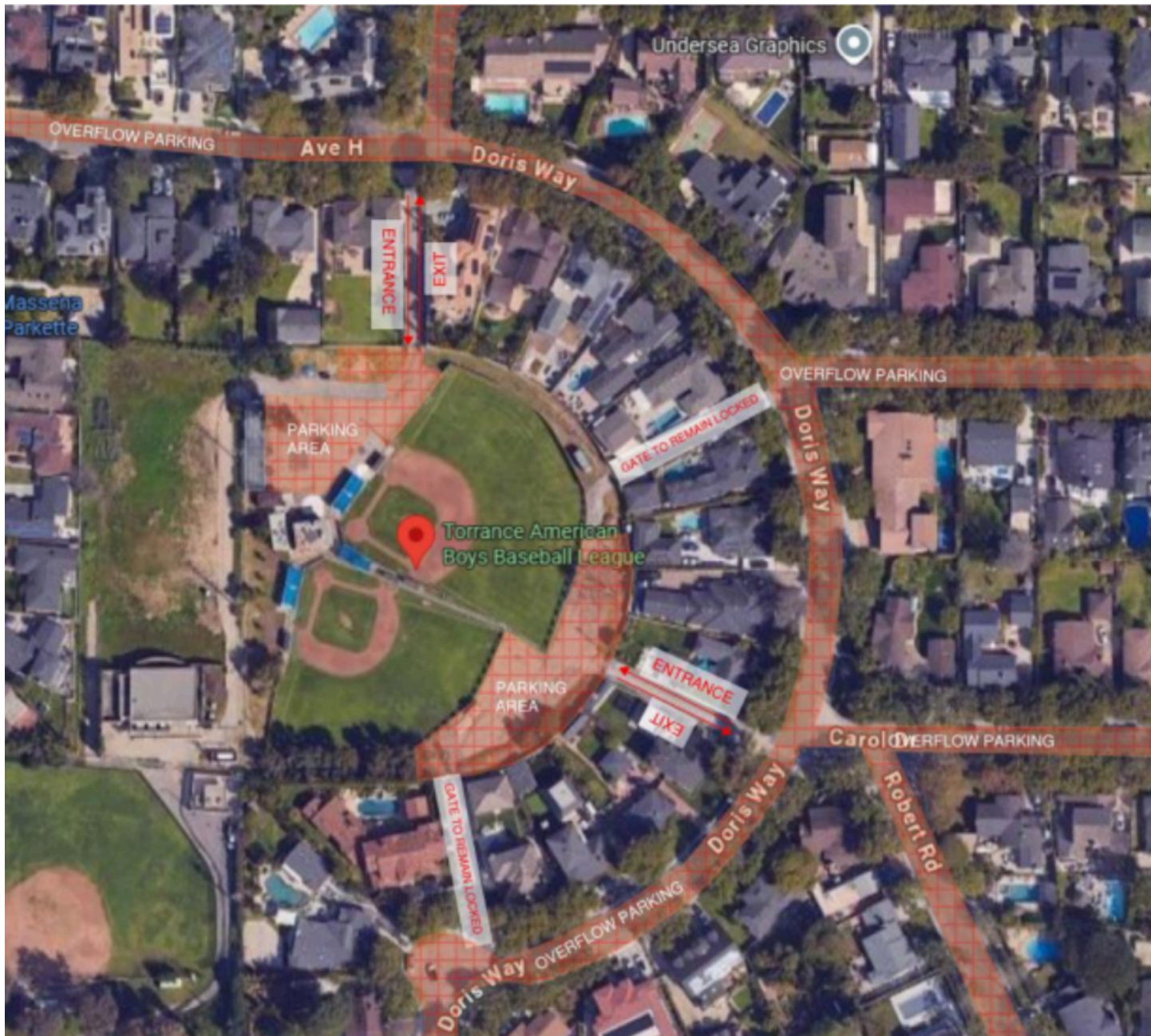
There is NO PARKING at St. Lawrence. Any cars parked on the basketball courts or along the T-ball field will be towed at the owner's expense.

It is also proposed that during the first few weeks of the regular season, TABB will monitor the parking lots on all sides.

Should there be any issues relative to parking in any of the lots; the President of TABB shall be the contact person (tabbpres@gmail.com).

This plan is to be used during normally scheduled games, playoffs or All-Star Tournaments.





2026 TABB YEARBOOK

Submission Guidelines for Team Pages, Ads and Dedication Pages

TEAM PAGES

1. Team Yearbook Rep will design and submit one 8.5"x11" PDF at 300dpi (between 3-4 minimum MB file size) to tabbyearbook22@gmail.com by April 11, 2026. Please see samples:



DEDICATION PAGES, FAVORITE MEMORIES and BUDDY PICTURES:

- 1. Dedication Pages:** Full-page dedication pages are reserved for 2nd year Bronco players only. Parents may design and submit 8.5"x11" PDF to celebrate their player. **Cost of page is \$100;** Reservation survey will be sent via email to parent contact of all graduating Broncos. Payment by cash or check due on TABB picture day. Without payment, space for the page will not be held for your player. Submit completed PDF at 300dpi (3 MB file size minimum) to tabbyearbook22@gmail.com by April 11, 2026.
- 2. Favorite Memory:** Any Graduating Bronco player can also submit a picture of their choice and their favorite memory to be written in the yearbook free of charge. There are 36 spaces available and these will be issued on a first come first serve basis. The space is only reserved when both required text and picture is submitted to tabbyearbook22@gmail.com. If all spaces are not reserved by by March 14, 2026, the opportunity will be expanded to 1st year Bronco players.
- 3. Buddy Pictures:** Guarantee a favorite photo of your player will be featured in the memory book! You can reserve a 2.5 x 3in photo space for a photo of your choice. Great chance to showcase best buddies. \$5 per photo, limit 2 per player. Payment & photo upload details will be shared in forthcoming reservation form. Opportunity closes on March 31, 2026.

TABB SPONSORSHIPS

TABB is seeking corporate sponsors! We're proud to be a part of the South Bay community and value the support of local businesses. Sponsoring at TABB is a great way to advertise your business to hundreds of local families throughout the season.



CONTACT

LAUREN CASTILLON
FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR

TABBFUNDRAISINGDIRECTOR@GMAIL.COM

310.529.9544

SPONSOR LEVELS

PLATINUM	SNACK BAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
\$3500	\$2000	\$750	\$450	\$100
Scoreboard Sign	Snack Bar Sign	2 Field Banners	1 Field Banner	Website Ad
2 Field Banners	1 Field Banner	Website Ad	Website Ad	Website Ad
Website Ad	Website Ad	1/2 Page Yearbook Ad	1/4 Page Yearbook Ad	1/8 Page Yearbook Ad
Full Page Yearbook Ad	Full Page Yearbook Ad	Instagram Post	Instagram Post	Instagram Post
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If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Lauren Castillon for more information: tabbfundraisingdirector@gmail.com or 310-529-9544 (call or text).

BASEBALLISM FUNDRAISER FEBRUARY

HOW IT WORKS:

1. For the month of February, anytime someone uses our program's code **(TABB90505-26)** to shop at Baseballism.com or in-store, 25% of the purchase will go back to TABB!
 - Example: Your kid's grandma uses TABB's program code and purchases \$100 worth of merchandise. TABB receives \$25.
2. Share our code with friends and family!
3. Fundraising begins on February 1st and ends on February 28th.



Torrance American Baseball (TABB)

**FUNDRAISER
FEBRUARY
'26**

Shop Baseballism with code:
TABB90505-26
to donate 25% back to our program!

Code Valid Feb 1-28th 2026

The graphic features a white baseball jersey on a dark blue background with repeating silhouettes of a baseball player. The jersey has a red logo on the left chest and the text 'FUNDRAISER FEBRUARY '26' on the front.

USA Bats

In conjunction with USA Baseball and its other participating national member organizations, PONY Baseball has adopted the new USA Baseball bat standard (USABat). Effective January 1, 2018, with the exception of -3 (BBCOR certified), all other 2 1/4" and 2 5/8" barrel bats with a minus factor of (-5, -7, -9, etc.), must be USABat certified with the USABat licensing stamp on the bat in order to be used for league and tournament play. All 2 1/4" and 2 5/8" minus factor bats -5, -7, -9, etc. used in 2017 will be illegal to use in 2018.

Here is what the approved USA bat stamp looks like:



Bats with a USSSA stamp are illegal in PONY Baseball:



Tee ball bats are not required to undergo lab testing to receive approval under the USABat program. PONY does require that tee ball bats must carry the USA Baseball mark accompanied by the following text: "Only For Use With Approved Tee Ball Bats." If you already have a tee ball bat you would like to continue using, to be compliant with PONY you can purchase a USA Bat sticker directly from USA Baseball and place it on your bat. TABB also has a limited number of stickers available to purchase.

You can purchase a USA Bat sticker here: <https://usabaseballshop.com/products/usabat-tee-ball-sticker?variant=44877922632>.

Tee ball bats manufactured after the new rule was adopted will already include the USABat Baseball mark.

To find out more about the USABat standard go to <http://www.pony.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1191154>

To find PONY's official approved bat list, which is in accordance with USABat, go to <https://usabat.com>



Home Team Duties

ALL duties must be completed!

- **Prepare the Field:**
 - **All Divisions:**
 - Drag and water the field
 - Sweep the turf
 - Chalk the lines
 - Set out the bases
 - **Shetland Only** - Install the Blue Flame Pitching Machine
 - **Pinto Only** - Set up the Portable Pitching Mound
 - **Bronco and Mustang** -Uncover the Portable Pitching Mound

- **Prepare the Facility**
 - Unlock all dugout gates
 - Unlock and set up restrooms
 - Restock paper items and soaps
 - Insert trash can liners
 - Set up trash cans
 - Insert liners and place cans by both dugouts, behind home plate backstop and out by the outfield bleachers. There should be a total of 5 per field if using the Mustang or Bronco Fields

- **Other (Pinto -Bronco Only)**
 - Provide game balls
 - Bronco - 3 game balls; Mustang & Pinto - 2 game balls
 - Maintain the Official Scorebook through GameChanger.
 - Run the scoreboard for the game.



Visiting Team Duties

ALL duties must be completed!

- **Break Down Field**
 - **All Divisions and Games**
 - Drag the field and sweep the turf
 - Empty trash cans and replace liners
 - Clear trash from dugout
 - **If Last Game:**
 - **All Divisions:**
 - Water the field
 - Return trash cans to the closet between the restrooms. *Trash cans should be located by both dugouts, behind home plate backstop and out by the outfield bleachers. There should be a total of 5 per field if using the Mustang or Bronco Fields*
 - Return bases to shed
 - Lock all dugout gates, restrooms and sheds
 - Check with Snack Bar to see if they need assistance in closing.
 - Lock Parking Lot Gates
 - **Pinto Only** - Return Portable Pitching mound to shed
 - **Bronco & Mustang** - Cover Pitching mound with tarp
- **Other (Pinto - Bronco Only)**
 - Maintain the Official Pitch Count using TABB pitch count card. Cards must be signed by both managers!
 - Text/email photo of Pitch Count Card to Tina Canteo at 310-977-2576

*****If using Pinto Field, MAKE SURE ACCESS GATE IS LOCKED after last game*****