



News Release

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Registration Open for Inaugural Season of Miracle League of Central Mississippi Baseball

Ridgeland, Mississippi (March 12, 2018) – Ridgeland Recreation & Parks, in partnership with the Miracle League of Central Mississippi, is currently taking registrations for the inaugural season of Miracle League baseball in Ridgeland. The league is designed for anyone who has developmental and/or physical challenges that prevent them from playing in a mainstream league. A Miracle League Field will be in use for the games. Volunteer buddies will assist the players as needed.

The Miracle League is designed to give individuals with limited abilities the opportunity to play baseball in a safe, inclusive and welcome environment. The league can accommodate all players by using adaptive equipment, such as a tee for hitting the baseball and volunteer buddies for swinging the bat.

The Miracle League Field is built using specialized rubber that is latex free, completely flat, and has no barriers; it allows easy access for wheelchairs, canes, walkers, crutches, and prosthetic limbs. Children, youth and adults with disabilities will benefit from playing on the Miracle League Field. The field is located at Wolcott Park, 349 McClellan Drive in Ridgeland.

The complex includes dugouts that provide extra space for equipment as well as protective shade. Accessible parking and restroom facilities are also available.

Volunteers are needed and welcome to serve as buddies for players during games. Buddy training will be provided. Please contact the Ridgeland Recreation and Parks office if you would like volunteer information.

Registration for players will begin March 12 and continue through April 5. The fee to participate is \$25 which includes a player jersey and cap. Registration forms are available for pickup at Ridgeland City Hall and for download at www.ridgelandms.org, www.ridgelandsportsandevents.com, and www.miracleleagueofcentralms.com.

For more information, please call the City of Ridgeland Recreation & Parks office at 601-853-2011. For the latest updates about Miracle League of Central Mississippi, visit <http://www.miracleleagueofcentralms.com/> and <https://www.facebook.com/mlcentralms/>.

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