



## Buddies are Needed Shrewsbury Little League Challenger

The Challenger Division is a separate division of Little League to enable boys and girls with a physical or intellectual developmental disability who enjoy the game of baseball along with the millions of other children who participate in this sport worldwide. Challenger games can be played as tee ball games, coach pitch, player pitch, or a combination of the three. During a Challenger game, each player gets a chance to bat. The side is retired when the offense has batted through the roster.

One of the benefits of having a Challenger Division is that it encourages the use of "buddies/peer athletes" for the Challenger players. The buddies/peer athletes assist the Challenger players on the field, but whenever possible, encourage the players to bat and make plays themselves. However, the buddy is always nearby to help when needed.

We are looking for BUDDIES/Peer Athletes that can volunteer their time for both practices and games. We really need you to be available for both practices and games for the entire season. There are 3 practice sessions: Practice 1: 5 to 6, Practice 2: 6 to 7 and Practice 3: 7 to 8 at Upper Dean softball field. Practices are specific to player age and ability. Games will be on Saturdays at 9am to 12pm. (We have 2 games: Game 1: 9:00 to 10:15, Game 2: 10:30 to 12:00pm). They will be held at Northborough, Westborough and Grafton. **As a buddy you will be assigned to a player, and you will attend their practice session and game. You are welcome to be a buddy for more than one player and attend multiple practices and games.** Practices start on April 25th. If you are interested in volunteering for this program please complete this form [Challenger Buddy Sign up](#). If you have any further questions contact Chip Collins [shrewsburychallenger@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburychallenger@gmail.com). If you know of someone that would be interested in doing this please forward this info to them.

Thank you,

Chip Collins

SLL Challenger Division Commissioner