



## 2017 Season Champions Division

*Pacific Grove, Toro, and Carmel PONY Baseball/Softball is proud to announce our new division:*

### **PONY CHAMPIONS**

#### *Mission Statement*

*To provide every child regardless of special needs the opportunity to participate in America's favorite pastime of baseball and softball.*

*It is our goal to provide an environment that enhances the participants' self-esteem, physical mobility, and embodies the spirit of teamwork and community.*

To register your child, please go to <http://www.toroponybaseball.org/>

#### **For any additional information please contact:**

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#### **For more information on PONY Champions Division:**

[www.pony.org](http://www.pony.org)

#### **Champion Division General Information**

##### **Who can participate?**

Anyone between the ages of 4 and 23 years old, or who remain in a school setting, with special needs, that would prevent them from playing in a traditional baseball or softball program.

##### **Who will coach my child?**

The "Buddy" system will be allowed and encouraged in all levels of play. These buddies will assist their player catch, field, and throw; and as necessary, get around the bases. These buddies can be traditional participants of baseball and softball, family or community members.

##### **Do they play traditional baseball rules?**

The emphasis will be placed on participation and fun. There will be no outs, and everyone will bat in every inning.

##### **How much will this cost our family?**

PG, Toro and Carmel PONY have committed to fundraise to offset all costs for Champions families.

##### **Will my child get a uniform? Do I need to purchase equipment?**

Our goal is to provide every participant with a jersey and hat. Baseball pants and cleats are optional. If your child does not have a glove or helmet, the league will supply equipment during games.

##### **How many games will they play?**

Champion division players will play 4 games during the 2017 season. March (PG), April (Carmel), May (Toro), and July (PG)