

Carmichael Girls Softball

Request to Move up a Division Waiver Form

Carmichael Girls Softball's divisions are tightly aligned with USA Softball rules and standards of play; therefore, we believe that the need for divisional move ups is not only an exception, but also discouraged and potentially disruptive to both the individual child's development and the players of their USA Softball-assigned age group. Prior to considering a move up, we feel it is important to consider some important factors:

- 1. Carmichael Girls Softball is a recreational league; if you are looking to move your child up simply because you feel her skill set is advanced beyond her age group, please consider two options first:
 - a. By keeping your child down, she will likely have greater flexibility to play the position(s) of her choice, experience ongoing personal success, and help the girls around her develop their own skills more rapidly.
 - b. (For girls older than T-ball) Consider moving your child into a competitive league where competition is the priority, rather than here at Carmichael where all girls of all skillsets are welcomed. If you are interested in some recommendations, please ask a CGS Board Member.
- 2. Please keep in mind that older divisions in recreational leagues also have inexperienced players, first-year players and players playing multiple sports at the same time. Since Carmichael is a rec league, *coaches are encouraged to give all players equal playing time, regardless of ability*.
- 3. Regardless of age, the player must have at least one year in their appropriate age division. There are no exceptions to this rule.

If you still wish to request your child be considered to move up a division, please complete this waiver form:

I understand that by signing this form I agree to the following:

- 1. The process will be: (1) register my child (in their age-appropriate division); (2) request/complete a waiver form; (3) attend at least one of the league-sanctioned player clinics; (4) the Board will complete a league dynamic assessment; (5) a final decision will be made prior to the Draft.
- 2. I will abide by The Board's final decision, understanding that it will be based upon the following (unweighted and not prioritized): completed waiver form, Division/League dynamics, family situation and player ability.
- 3. If my child is selected to move up, her coach has the final say on the position(s) and playing time my child will play based upon team dynamics, safety and other considerations (i.e. my child may not be able to play the position of her choice).
- 4. If I am interested in coaching, I waive my rights to a possible coaching spot by signing this waiver form.
- 5. I cannot request a specific coach for my child's team.
- 6. My child will only be eligible for All-Stars in the division she plays in during the Spring season.
- 7. If my child is selected to move up, I understand she may need to play three years in her new division.
- 8. The division representative will conduct a phone interview with me to review this waiver and expectations prior to any Board decision.

Player Name:	Player Date of birth:	
Requested Division:	Parent Email:	
Parent Name:	Parent Phone:	
Parent Signature:		