

Spring 2010 Gene Cusic Classic Coaches,

Lee County would like to welcome all of the participating coaches and their teams to the 19th annual Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic. We hope everyone enjoys participating in the 2010 Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic, as well as their stay in Lee County. Hosting this event is always exciting, challenging and rewarding and we will continue to strive for “the best classic ever” for many years to come. As we wish you warmth and success this year we also want to provide you with some information and changes that we are already working on for next year.

For all coaches interested in participating in 2010 Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic, there are a few very important changes which we would like to bring to your attention now so that you can plan accordingly. The Registration Form and a fee of either \$250.00 for 6 games or less or \$500.00 for 7-10 games (more than 10 games will be \$100.00 per game) required by November 20, 2009. It is pertinent that the correct contact information (e-mail address, office and cell phone numbers, and fax number) is noted legibly on the Registration Form, so that we can send you the Game Request Form. The new deadline date to have your Game Request Form returned will be **December 18, 2009**. Also, we will only be asking you to list the teams in which you cannot play due to certain circumstances which need be noted on the Game Request Form. The final payment for all games must be made by **November 20, 2009**. **Any team who does not pay the full payment for their games by November 20, 2009 will not be registered for the tournament.** If a game is deleted from your schedule on our end, your school will be refunded the amount of the game; not if the coach drops a game. Although we have advertised a “game change fee”, we have never implemented it until now. Effective immediately we will send the school a \$50 per change invoice for any team that requests to change a scheduled game that has been established and confirmed by the coaches and P & R staff. Please use discretions when scheduling your first and last games while you are here and allow yourself enough time for your scheduled travel. Please realize that your last minute change puts an undo burden on everyone else who has planned accordingly and we can no longer accept that the “Airlines have changed your flight schedule” in Dec./Jan.

In addition, we are asking for the teams to list their first and last day of “play” information so that we can formalize schedules by the December 18th deadline. This information will have to be noted on the registration form and the game request form to ensure proper scheduling. **Any game changes made due to flight conflicts following the completion of the final schedule will be subject to the \$50 per game fee.** Also, there are a couple of forms which need to be filled out and returned back to Lee County Parks and Recreation prior to your arrival for the tournament. The Arrival form, which can be found at www.leeparks.org and Indemnification form with a copy of insurance certificate will need to be turned in by **January 29, 2010**.

Please note: Because of the low number of NAIA teams there will be no NAIA Softball teams registrations accepted in the Gene Cusic Tournament.

In an effort to provide the best possible tournament experience we sincerely hope the changes we need to make for next years 2011 will enhance the quality of our event. Once again everyone with Lee County Parks and Recreation would like to thank all the coaches and teams participating in the 19th Annual Gene Cusic Classic. We also hope everyone has a fantastic time and we wish to see all the teams back next year for the 19th Annual Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic.

Sincerely,
Lee County Parks and Recreation