



2008 MYAA Junior Baseball League Overview

The MYAA Junior Baseball League is targeted for players who are the age of 13 or 14 as of April 30th. It is a recreational league that is designed to teach fundamental skills in a competitive atmosphere within the confines of fun and good sportsmanship. All players who register are given the opportunity to play on a team, regardless of prior experience and skill level.

Tryouts

Tryouts will be held at Millcreek Intermediate High School Gym on Saturday April 19th as follows:

Last name A thru L from NOON - 2:00pm

Last name M thru Z from 2:00pm - 4:00pm

All new players must attend this tryout to be eligible for the open draft. Absent players will be randomly placed on teams. If you are not able to attend the tryout you must contact the League President or League Secretary listed at the bottom of this information sheet for alternate arrangements or permission to be excused.

****League Structure****

We will be playing in the Little League Organization again this year. Teams of 13-14 players will be playing in two different divisions. Players returning from last season will still be on the same team as last year however any new players and returnees that opt to re-tryout will be randomly drafted. Practice will start in mid April. A schedule of 18-20 regular season games will begin in early May and culminate with a playoff tournament. **Our participation in the Junior League All Star Tournament is scheduled to begin on Monday June 30th MYAA American plays @ Iroquois and MYAA National drew a bye For July 1st and will host agame on July 3rd Field TBD.**

All-Star tryouts are tentatively scheduled to be held on Sunday June 8th.

Weeknight games will begin at 6:00pm and some Saturday games will be scheduled at 9:00am, 12:00pm & 3:00pm. Sunday games will be avoided unless rain plays havoc with the schedule. All games will be played at Scott Park and Fiedler (Wunch Park) Fields.

Picture Day is Monday June 16th @ McDowell High School

League Rules

Our fields will be regulation size this spring. Bases will be 90' apart and the pitchers rubber will be 60'6".

In the past the Pony League bases were 80' and the rubber was 55'

Junior League will use the Official Little League Baseball Rule Book in addition to the adopted MYAA Junior League rules.

NOTES: 2008 Junior League Bat restrictions:

Maximum 34 " in length and 2 3/4 diameter barrel

IN 2009 BATS MUST HAVE A BPF (bat performance factor) OF 1.15 OR LESS

****** Middle School bat regulations are – 3 length to weight ratio and a maximum of 2 5/8 " barrel******

Steel cleats ARE allowed in Junior League.

The MYAA code of conduct for players, coaches and spectators must be abided by during the season and will be strictly enforced. If you are unfamiliar with this guideline, ask an MYAA official or coach to supply you with one.

Spring Field Clean-up

All families are expected to assist in a one time field clean up held on a Saturday morning before the season starts.

This clean up starts at 9:00 AM and takes about two hours.

IF AT LEAST ONE PARENT FROM EACH FAMILY CAN'T MAKE THIS CLEAN-UP,

PLEASE CONTACT THE LEAGUE PRESIDENT WITH REASONS WHY YOU CAN'T PARTICIPATE.

THIS YEAR IT MAY BE NECESSARY FOR EACH TEAM FURNISH AN UMPIRE FOR EACH GAME. IF ONLY ONE ADDITIONAL UMPIRE IS NEEDED, IT WILL BE THE HOME TEAMS RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE ONE.

Junior League Volunteer List

Head Coaches (10 - 12 needed) Teach fundamental skills and good sportsmanship. Organize and control all activities of your assigned team.

Assistant Coaches (two per team needed) Assist Head Coach in all assigned activities

Parent Representative (1 per team needed) Aide coaches with organizational activities. Organize the selling of 50/50 tickets at your team home games.

Field Prep and Maintenance (this position can be shared by a large number of parents of each team) Assist Coaching staff with preparing the field for play on game day. Duties include lining the field as well as raking and other items needed to have the field in playing condition. The "Home" team for each game handles these duties.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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