



Fall Baseball Team Formation Rules BYB / GBA 2008



The purpose of the Fall Baseball League is to provide a program in which players can continue to develop and enjoy playing baseball beyond the Spring Program. To help form teams and to provide an opportunity to play with their friends, we allow teams to be formed by coaches. The season will start on or around 8/16 and continue through mid-October. Both weekday and weekend games will be played during the first 2 to 3 weeks of the season. After that, most games will be played during weekends only. Exceptions may be makeup games during the week for some leagues.

Coaches can only bring up to 10 players on a team. The remaining players will be assigned by a league representative or by a supplemental draft. This will not only help balance out teams but allow independent players to be more evenly distributed across the league. Note: Based on need, it may be necessary to combine teams if a coach only brings a partial team.

The ages for each league is as follows (based on age as of July 31, 2008 for GBA or Aug 31st, 2008 for BYB):

Rookie: 6 & 7 years of age – 12 games scheduled depending on weather

Minor: 8 & 9 years of age – 12 games plus seeded tournament depending on weather

Major: 10 & 11 years of age – 12 games plus seeded tournament depending on weather

Pony: 12 & 13 years of age – 12 games plus seeded tournament depending on weather

Parents may petition to have their child play in a different age group by contacting the fall league president. They must have a valid reason to play out of their age group (such as high/low skill level or playing with sibling). Parents must also get an endorsement from their Spring 2008 coach and approval from their Fall 2008 coach.

The following restrictions will be in place for All Leagues:

- No more than 4 Travel Team* players per team (see definition below)
- Each team must have at least 4 younger (first year) players. Coaches should not bring more than 7 older (second year players) when forming teams.
- No more than 3 players playing up on a team. (must be league approved)
- Must be residents of Geneva or Batavia due to Park District restrictions

* Travel Players are defined as a player who played full time travel baseball in 2008 for any program including independent teams not associated with BYB or GBA. This also includes 9yr old Tournament Teams for both GBA / BYB and 10 yr old Tournament Team players for BYB only (since they only have one 10 yr old Travel team). Note: This does not include In-House All-Star players that only participated during All-Star Day games.