

Hopkins-Minnetonka Babe Ruth Team Selection Processes

Travel

Description

- One team for each age (i.e. 13, 14, 15)
- 12-15 Players per team
- Cost = \$315 (in addition to \$230 registration fee) plus a \$100 uniform deposit
- Estimated # of games = 35 – 45 (depending on success in tournaments)
- Estimated # of practices = at the field 4-5 times per week (games + practices)
- Teams will play in the Metro Baseball League. The season begins in the second week of May and ends in mid to late July. They will play in four weekend tournaments and a state tournament (if they qualify) at the end of the season

Selection Process

- Kids designate their desire to tryout via the registration form
- Coaches volunteer to coach via the registration form
- Tryouts are held for all Babe Ruth players by age group
 - Players are run through drills (field, throw, hit, run)
 - Independent scorers score all kids for a given age group
 - Interested coaches can make their own notes as well
- Selection
 - Coach
 - VP, Travel Coordinator, and President recommend one head coach (or Manager) from the group of volunteers whose kids are sure to make the team
 - Board approves of one head coach
 - Head coach selects assistants after team has been selected
 - Players
 - A desired roster is developed by the head coach based on
 - Try out scores
 - Prior knowledge
 - Position needs
 - A selection committee consisting of the president, Vice President, League coordinator and the Manager makes the final decision
 - FOR INCOMING 13Yos - A representative from each of the incoming leagues (Big Willow, Glen Lake, Hopkins, Golden Valley), provides the head coach feedback and input on the proposed roster. Note: there is an effort to ensure representation from each incoming league, however there are NO quotas
 - The head coach notifies players selected to play on traveling team immediately
 - Once the traveling teams have been determined, those kids are removed from consideration for tournament and house selection

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House

Description

- # of teams is dictated by # of Players signed up
 - One league for 13 year olds
 - One league for 14 and 15 year olds
- 11 - 13 Players per team
- Cost = \$230
- Estimated # of games = Approx 20 + End of season tournament
- Estimated # of practices = 1-2 per week
- The season will begin the third weekend of April (weather permitting) and will end approximately the third week of July

Selection Process

- Kids designate their desire to play on a house team via the registration form
- Coaches volunteer to coach via the registration form
- Player evaluations are held for all Babe Ruth players by age group
 - Players are run through drills (field, throw, hit, run)
 - Independent scorers score all kids for a given age group
 - Interested coaches can make their own notes as well
- Selection
 - One head coach for each team is selected/recruited by the league coordinator and approved by the board.
 - One assistant coach can be selected by the head coach prior to the draft
 - Players
 - Shortly after the traveling team has been selected, coaches hold a draft of all non-traveling players based on:
 - Try out scores
 - Prior knowledge
 - Position needs
 - Additional assistant coaches can be named after the draft

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Tournament

Description

- One team for each age (i.e. 13, 14, 15)
- 12-15 Players per team
- Cost = \$190 (in addition to \$230 registration fee) plus a \$100 uniform deposit
- Estimated # of games = 9 - 24 (depending on success in tournaments)
- Estimated # of practices = several during the year
- Players will play on a house league teams as well as in three weekend tournaments during the season. The team will also be able to play in a state tournament at the end of the season if they have qualified

Selection Process

- Kids designate their desire to tryout via the registration form
- Coaches volunteer to coach via the registration form
- Tryouts are held for all Babe Ruth players by age group
 - Players are run through drills (field, throw, hit, run)
 - Independent scorers score all kids for a given age group
 - Interested coaches can make their own notes as well
- Selection
 - Coach
 - League Coordinators and VP recommends one head coach (or Manager) from the group of volunteers whose kids are sure to make the team
 - Board approves of one head coach
 - Head coach selects assistants after team has been selected
 - Players
 - After the “warm-up weekend”, which is the weekend before the regular season begins for house players, a desired roster is developed by the head coach based on
 - Try out scores
 - Warm-up weekend results
 - Prior knowledge
 - Position needs
 - A selection committee consisting of the president, Vice President, League coordinator and the Manager makes the final decision. Note: there is an effort to ensure representation from each incoming league, however there are NO quotas
 - The head coach notifies players selected to play on the tournament team shortly after the selection