St. Anthony Boosters Baseball Tryout Policies and Procedures



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Purpose:

To impartially and fairly recommend and select boys and girls for the traveling baseball teams with the intent of forming the strongest teams possible among the tryout participants.

Policy:

Cut off for traveling team registration shall be the last day of February for tryouts in the same year.

No parent or other close relative may judge the tryouts in which a child or other close relative is participating.

Parents or spectators will not be allowed to observe the tryout sessions.

Traveling team tryout dates will be published in the registration flyer and/or on the SABB web-page, for each of the two weeks prior to the week of tryouts.

Tryouts will be judged by at least two (2) and no more than five (5) people.

Traveling team sizes will set to eleven (11) players. However, if there are exactly twelve (12) players registered for an age group then the team size will be set to twelve.

Tryouts will only be held if at least thirteen (13) players are registered for that age level or in the case where not enough fourth (4th graders) register for traveling at the 10U level and the addition of third (3rd) graders interested in trying out exceeds twelve (12) for the 10U level. In the latter instance, only 3rd graders will be cut from the 10U tryouts.

Tryouts will be run in at least one session and at a minimum length of one hour. In the event that 15 or more players tryout for a single team, a longer tryout session may be scheduled; this decision is at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

The judges must be the same throughout the tryout session. In the event that judges cannot be the same, the substitution judge(s) should be selected with equal or greater knowledge of the game and not be in violation of previous sections.

During the tryouts, the evaluations should be written and be kept confidential. Evaluations will be held by the Traveling Director or Tryout Coordinator unless they have a child or close relative trying out. If the Traveling Director and Tryout Coordinator are ineligible to hold the evaluations, the SABB President will hold the evaluations.

Evaluations are not public information but can be reviewed by the Tryout Coordinator, Traveling Director, SABB President, or a designated sub-committee of the SABB.

Results of all tryouts shall be given to the SASB President and maintained for one full season.

Results of the tryouts shall be posted on the SABB website within 48 hours following the last tryout for all teams. Only tryout jersey numbers shall be posted by grade level.

Nothing should be done at the tryout session that would indicate that a player made or didn't make a team.

Players who are not selected to a traveling team will be given an opportunity to play in the In-House Program.

If there are not enough players trying out for a team to make a competitive selection, the Traveling Program Selection Committee has the option of **a**) announcing and holding additional tryout sessions, or **b**) not forming a team.

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Traveling Baseball Program Tryout Absence Policy

In the case of an absence during traveling baseball tryouts the following policy has been established to determine specifically what team a player would be assigned (limited to injury, illness, or other extreme circumstance):

The Tryout Coordinator must receive notice of the absence in writing prior to the first tryout session which must include a doctor's note describing the injury, or note describing the reason for the absence in order to be selected to a traveling roster.

If a player's injury or illness would prevent him or her from participating until after June 1st of the season, he would be placed as the twelfth (12th) player on the corresponding team as described above, as long as there were not already twelve (12) players on the roster.

Any player found violating this policy by forgery or fraud will be released from the traveling baseball program for the remainder of the season.

Any and all Special Circumstances will be reviewed and decided upon by the SABB board of directors.

Traveling Baseball Program Coach's Pick Policy

Traveling team head coaches will have an opportunity to select the final two players to fill their roster. The nine highest scoring players will automatically make the roster. The head coach will then be able to select to up two players from the tenth (10th) through thirteenth (13th) highest scoring players.

The traveling director will determine the highest nine scorers that will make a traveling roster and then present a list of the remaining players to the head coaches within 24 hours following the last tryout. The head coach will then have another 24 hours in which to choose up to two (2) players from that list to fill the final roster spot(s).

If the head coach decides not to use the coach's pick(s) or does not select player(s) by 48 hours following the last tryout then the final roster spot(s) will be filled by the highest scoring player(s) remaining.

If multiple coaches apply for the head coach position, then the head coach will be decided upon by the coach selection committee in accordance with the coach selection process. This will take place after the tryouts.