

# BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

CHANHASSEN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

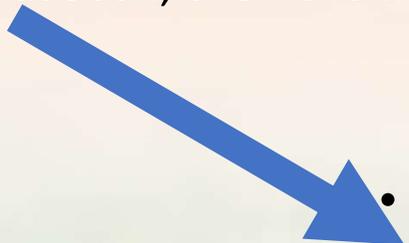


## 2026 CAA Travel Baseball Teams Information Meeting

July 2025



Click Baseball, then click on the registration tab.



# CAA Website

- <https://www.chanathleticassociation.com/>

The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with options: Home, Baseball, Softball, Basketball, Soccer, Fields & Gyms, Registration, Contact, Calendar, and Dibs. Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: HOME > Association > Resources > Partners & Sponsors. The main header features the Chanhasen Athletic Association logo, which includes a stylized mascot holding a lightning bolt and the text 'CHANHASSEN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'. The 'WELCOME!' section contains a paragraph about the association's purpose and a 'Sign In' instruction. To the right, there are links to download the 'Sports Engine Mobile App' from the App Store and Google Play, accompanied by images of the app on mobile devices. At the bottom, there are two featured images: one for 'BASEBALL' showing a pitcher in a white uniform on a field, and one for 'BASKETBALL' showing a player in a white jersey (number 3) jumping for a shot against a player in a dark jersey (number 32).



# Travel Teams

## 9AA

As many balanced teams will be made as numbers allow, max 12 per team.

- 1-2 practices per week (depending on metro schedule)
- 14 weekday metro games
- 3 weekend tournaments
  - Potential for 2 state tournaments in July (additional cost)

## 10u and 11u

Teams will play at AAA, AA, and A levels, max 12 per team

- 1-2 practices per week (depending on metro schedule)
- 14 weekday metro games
- 3 weekend tournaments
  - Potential for 2 state tournaments in July (additional cost)

## 12u,13u and 14u

Teams will play at AAA, AA, and A levels, max 12 per team

- 1-2 practices per week (depending on metro schedule)
- 14 weekday metro games
- 4 weekend tournaments
  - Potential for 2 state tournaments in July (additional cost)
- Teams in this group have participated in national tournaments in the past
  - These tournaments are optional and an additional cost to the team
  - Teams have played in Omaha, South Dakota, Iowa, Myrtle Beach (SC), Pigeon Forge (TN) and the Wisconsin Dells

## 15u

Teams will play at AAA, AA, and A levels, as numbers allow, max 12 per team.

- 1-2 practices per week (depending on metro schedule)
- 12 weekday metro games
- 1 weekend tournaments
  - Potential for 2 state tournaments in July (additional cost)

**\*\*Teams will be announced by the end of August. Depending on numbers of players trying out, some players may not be rostered on a travel team. They will be automatically placed on a Community in house team. Refunds will be given for the price difference.**



# Metro League (MBL)

- Teams will participate in the Metro Baseball League
- Teams will be placed into Regions in March
- Teams will play 14 games (7 home & 7 away) against other teams in their region.(15's- 12 games)
- Coaches will be responsible for scheduling league games
- Games will be played in late April through late June
- MBL Playoffs are available after league games are complete and usually occur in early July
- CAA offers training at the Chaska Dome on Sundays, February and March.
- Additional indoor practices at an indoor facility in March and April until the outdoor fields are open for play.



# Tryouts

- Tryouts for the tournament teams are the weekend of Aug 8th-10th, at Lake Ann Park, check in at field #2
- If you are unable to make tryouts, please complete the registration, then email Pat or Nate and let them know that you will not be able to make the tryouts. They will put you on the list and let you know when the make up date is. Makeup is meant for illness or family travel.
- Age 10u thru 14u, there are two sessions, and you need to attend both. If you only attend one, that one day score will be doubled, or you can attend a make up date. The 9u players only have one session.
- No tryouts for 15u, more details to follow.
- Once you are rostered to a Travel Team, no refunds will be given.
- Further questions, please reach out to:
  - Pat Kasid (9-11) - [kasid4@gmail.com](mailto:kasid4@gmail.com)
  - Nate Hanson (12-15) - [nateahans@gmail.com](mailto:nateahans@gmail.com)



# Tryouts

- Players need to check in 30 minutes prior to their designated start times
  - Players will be given a number and sent to field #2 for warm-ups
  - After warm-ups, players will be split into groups of ~10 and rotate through stations
  - Parents are required to leave the field after check in
- Players will be evaluated at 6 stations
  - Hitting (front toss and live machine)
  - Pitching
  - Infield
  - Outfield
  - Speed
  - Catching(if applicable) please wear a cup if you plan to catch
- Players will tryout under the guidelines for the age they will play in spring 2026
- No club baseball or prior travel uniform should be worn.



# Commitment Policy

The CAA Diamond Sports Commitment Policy is intended to provide a clear understanding of the expectations for participating in the Chanhassen Athletic Association baseball season.

## **Metro/Tournament**

Participation in the CAA Diamond Sports metro/tournament baseball requires a high level of commitment to be successful. Players participating in these programs are acknowledging that baseball will be top priority during the season and will come first when a scheduling conflict with other activities arises. This is consistent with the commitment that is asked of the CAA travel basketball participants.

Metro/tournament baseball participants are expected to attend all scheduled team activities (practices, games, and team events). Absences due to injury, illness, death in the family, family events (e.g. weddings, graduations), school activities, and faith-based events are acceptable absences. If a player will miss a team activity due to an acceptable absence, the player must communicate this to the coaching staff as soon as possible.

## **Discipline**

Players missing team activities for an unexcused absence, including participating in other baseball or athletic activities, are subject to disciplinary action. The first offense will result in the coach sitting the player for part of or the entire game. Additional absences will result in a review with the coach, player, family, and CAA Baseball Operating Committee to determine appropriate action up to and including suspension.



# Coaching

- Coach registration for all ages is now open through the CAA website.
- Coaching candidates must complete:
  - Background check (valid for 2 years)
  - Concussion training (valid for 3 years)
    - Email to Safety Officer (caasafetybbsb@gmail.com)
    - <https://nfhslearn.com/>
  - Abuse Awareness for Adults training (valid for 2 years)
    - Email to Safety Officer (caasafetybbsb@gmail.com)
    - <https://www.sportdev.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=OCAAA&Category=ONLINE&WebsiteKey=f50aacb2-a59e-4e43-8f67-29f48a308a9e>
- 3 coaches and 1 team manager can receive volunteer credit
- All prospective head coaches must complete interview session, Monday August 4<sup>th</sup> or August 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Head coaches will be contacted prior the team selection process

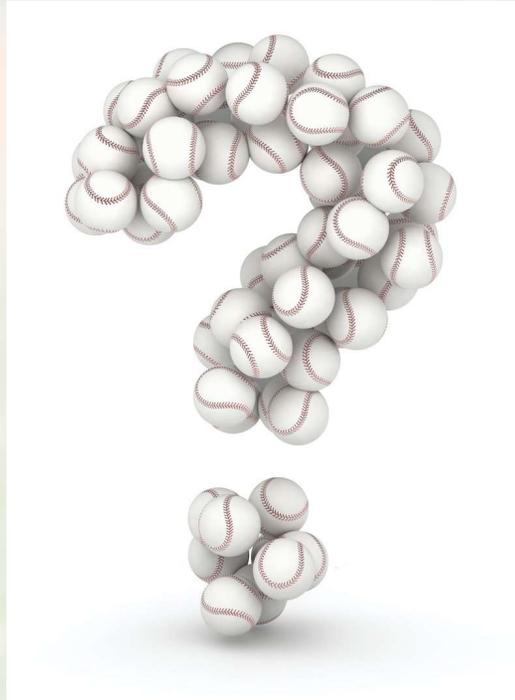


# Volunteering

- CAA Diamond Sports is a volunteer run organization covering both baseball and softball activities and events
- Each family is required to submit a \$400 check to cover the volunteer fee, due at uniform fitting
- Similar to previous seasons, families will be required to volunteer 8 hours per season. All checks will be held on to and shredded at the end of season if the 8 required hours have been completed. If you have not fulfilled your required hours, your check will be cashed. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Volunteer opportunities are posted on the CAA website
  - Use the Dibs link to find active volunteer offerings
  - Only hours recorded through the site or volunteer coordinator will qualify
  - Chan Challenge and State tournaments are great opportunities



# Questions



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