

Cooperstown Parent Information

FCAA has made the commitment to support the 12UA All-Star Team to compete in the Cooperstown All-Star Village Invitational Tournament in Cooperstown, New York . Below is more information on who is eligible to play, the cost and other details concerning the team.

Who is Eligible?

Any registered FCAA player age 12 or under is eligible to try out for the 12U All-Star team*. The All-Star 12U try outs are being held earlier this season in order to allow the team more practice time in addition to raising funds and making travel/accommodation arrangements for the Cooperstown trip. ****No one player shall be allowed to represent Ft. Caroline Athletic Association more than once on the 12U Cooperstown Team****

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** A player must have played the past 3 Spring consecutive seasons of Rec ball at FCAA to be eligible for the 12U All-Star team. Players not meeting this qualification may apply for an Appeal/Exemption request. The Waiver/Exemption request form can be found on under the Cooperstown section of the FCAA website.*

What does it Cost?

All Star costs are determined by the costs of the tournaments the team chooses to participate in as well as the cost of uniforms. Which averages \$750 to \$1,000. There is an additional cost for the Cooperstown tournament. The Cooperstown tournament will cost alone is approximately \$1300 per child and per coach plus additional travel costs. *The cost only covers the player. It does not include the player's family.* If the family wishes to accompany their children to Cooperstown the expenses for travel, accommodations, and other expenses are their responsibility. The average cost for a family of 3 (not including the player) is \$4,000. This covers travel, food and accommodations.

Where does the Money come from?

The cost to for the tournament alone for a team of 12 Players and 4 Coaches is approximately \$23,000 to \$25,000. This cost only covers the registration fee for coaches and players to participate in Cooperstown, 2 CASV Jerseys, 1 CASV Cap, 2 Pairs of socks, CASV Warm up Jacket, 3 meals per day, Air-Conditioned Bunkhouse, Ticket to Baseball Hall of Fame, Induction into the Cooperstown Youth Baseball Hall of Fame, Hall of Fame Ring and Team Laundry Service (Sunday thru Wednesday). *It does not include travel expense.* The park gives the Cooperstown Team \$3,000 and the team is responsible for raising the remainder of the funds by conducting various fundraisers. All players, coaches and parents are expected to participate in these fundraisers. Once the team is formed a fundraising strategy will be determined coaches and player parents. Full 12U season approximate player cost is \$3,500 to \$4,500 per player or \$42,000 to \$54,000 per team.

What does this Cooperstown trip entail?

The team and coaches will stay on-site at the Cooperstown All Star Village housing. The team is guaranteed to play in seven tournament games, six seeding games and at least one tournament game. More games will be played if they advance in the tournament. The team is also required to bring an umpire or pay for one when they are there. The umpire does not stay with the team nor do they ump any of their games.