

ANOKA RAMSEY



ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

2024 TRAVELING
PLAYER / PARENT
MEETING



Anoka Ramsey Baseball Board



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2024 Teams

Ⓟ 14 Traveling Teams (9U- 15U)

(9AA, 9AAA, 10A, 10AA, 11A, 11AA, 12AA, 13A, 13AA, 13AAA, 14A, 14AAA, 15AA, 15AAA)

Ⓟ 159 Total Players



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ARAA Baseball Program Goals

Ⓟ Develop baseball skills and knowledge of the game

Ⓟ Teach life lessons, develop young leaders, create friendships

Ⓟ Effort & Attitude; as players, you represent Anoka

Ⓟ Be competitive and win games

Ⓟ Have fun while learning and playing the game



2024 Traveling Jerseys

Player uniform consists of:

- Home Jersey (White)
- Away Jersey (Maroon)
- Baseball Pants (White)
- Black Belt
- Hat
- Practice Shirt
- Jacket
- Black Socks (Not included)
 - Extra baseball hats can be purchased at Tornado Alley in Ramsey.

Home Jersey



Away Jersey



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Team Hat



Coach Jacket



Player Jacket

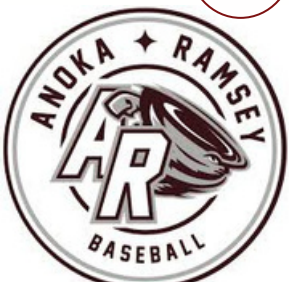


Coach Shirt



Player Shirt





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What to Expect- League Practices and Games

- ④ 4-6 days per week. Mix of practice and games
Official League start date 5/15/2024 End Date 6/30/2024 *Regular Season
- ④ Arrive ready to play 1 hour before games
*Be aware of your away and home jersey
- ④ Travel times to games could be an hour or longer away
- ④ Severe Weather/ Rain: Regular Season games will be canceled by direction of the city.
Games/ Practice can be canceled within a hour of the event



Weekend Tournaments:

- ④ Prepare for long days beginning as early as 8am games
- ④ Be kind and and courteous at away hotels. Represent Anoka the right way.
- ④ Prepare for the weather- Bring canopies and snacks
- ④ "Play to Win" to qualify for end of season State Tournaments in July

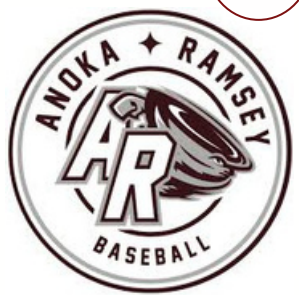


Field Assignments

City	Field	Team 1	Team 2
Anoka	Bonnell South	9AAA	9AA
Anoka	Bonnell North	10AA	10A
Ramsey	Alpine #1	11AA	11A
Ramsey	Alpine #2	12AA	
Ramsey	Alpine #3	13A	7th House
Ramsey	Alpine #4	13AAA	13AA
Anoka	Enloe #1 NW (Practice Field)	14AAA	14A
Anoka	Enloe #2 NE (Game Field)	14AAA	14A
Anoka	HS Freshman Field	15AA	
Anoka	HS JV Field	15AAA	

*If sharing a field, please be respectful of the other team while practicing.

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Field Updates

ARAA invested over \$10K in rebuilding the 4 mounds at Alpine and the mound at Bonnell North in 2023. Please take care of what we have and keep them covered along with tamping after using.

ARAA and Ramsey/Anoka are in talks to upgrade fields for the 2024 season. Please leave them better than you found them.



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Bat Standards

AGE	MAX DIAMETER @ THICKEST PART	LENGTH	WEIGHT DIFFERENTIAL	EXAMPLE
9U - 11U	2 1/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 1/2"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 3/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 5/8"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
12U - 13U	2 1/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
	2 1/2"	36" or less	-10	31-inch bat cannot weight less than 21 ounces
	2 3/4"	36" or less	-10	
	2 5/8"	36" or less	-10	
14U - 14/15A	2 3/4"	36" or less	-5	32-inch bat cannot weight less than 27 ounces
15U - 14/15A - 16U-19U	2 5/8"	36" or less	-3	32-inch bat cannot weight less than 29 ounces

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9-14 Year Olds

Big Barrel Bats (2 5/8" or 2 3/4"- 14u & Below)

- (1) Made with the USSSA or USA Mark (see image); or
- (2) Is a qualified BBCOR bat; or
- (3) Is Wood

Small Barrel Bats (2-1/4" in diameter or less)

- (1) Made with the USSSA or USA Mark (see image); or
- (2) Is Wood





Volunteer Requirements

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- ① 4 hours per player
- ① 8 hours max per family
- ① Sign up through DIBS
- ① Examples of Volunteer availability
 - Tournament participation
 - Turning Fields
 - Putting batting cage nets up
 - Concessions

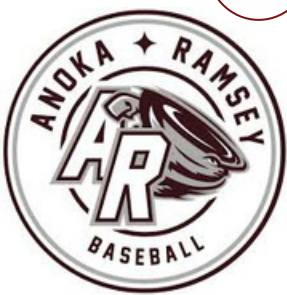
Fundraising

Green Valley Greenhouse Gift Cards

- ① Sell 7 gift cards per family or a \$50 commitment
- ① Sell 20+ gift cards to be entered into raffle
- ① Orders and money must be collected by a team parent or coach. Pickup events at Alpine Park- Monday May 6th and Monday June 3rd.



- ① Looking for Season Company Sponsors of \$500+



Parent Expectations

- Ⓢ Baseball is fun. Keep it fun with your words and actions.
- Ⓢ Do not criticize umpires or confront opponents. Bad calls are part of the game. Be an example to the kids.
- Ⓢ Be part of the solution, not part of the problem.
- Ⓢ Remember these are kids and the coaches are volunteers.
- Ⓢ Limit in-game cheering to encouragement. Do not shout instruction. Coaches coach; parents parent.
- Ⓢ Represent our community and organization with class.

Player Expectations

- Ⓢ Be a great teammate.
- Ⓢ Listen. Learn. Do.
- Ⓢ 100% effort, 100% of the time.
- Ⓢ Recover quickly from adversity. Keep a positive attitude
- Ⓢ Take care of the fields and dugouts.
- Ⓢ Represent our community and organization with class.

Code of Conduct

- Ⓢ Everyone signed with registration
- Ⓢ Reviewed and updated for new issues
- Ⓢ Includes anyone there to watch your child
- Ⓢ Includes Social Media
- Ⓢ Will Be Enforced!

Coaches Agreement

- Ⓢ Act and speak as a positive role model
- Ⓢ Strive to work equally with all players
- Ⓢ Utilize practice plans
- Ⓢ Playing time and positions in the field
- Ⓢ Think of each player as a 3-5 year project
- Ⓢ Prepare kids for next level of play

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Key Dates

- ① April – Practices begin- TBD
 - Anoka and Ramsey will release the fields when they are prepped and ready.
- ② May – League games and tournaments begin
 - Coaches will be building out your season schedule within the next 10 days.
- ③ May 10th – Youth night at Castle Field, 6:00 PM
- ④ Picture day at Alpine - TBD
- ⑤ GSTC, MBT, MSF Tournaments all in July

Miscellaneous/ Recommendations

- ① Gamechanger App- Use for communication
- ② Some Tournaments use Tourney Machine for their brackets
- ③ Have a team picture person and team events planner
- ④ Team FB page for all parents to share photos from the season
- ⑤ Slush Fund for the team

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AR Baseball board meetings are the second Sunday of each month, 6 or 7pm at a local location.
Please share your thoughts and ideas. Be part of the process!