

Force Baseball / Fort Collins Baseball Club		Program Overview			
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Ages: 9-14	Majors, AAA, and AA				
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Program Pillars / Requirements					
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All players must be involved in at least one other activity (school sport or other, such as Band, Swimming, Tennis, Karate, Chess, Odyssey, etc.)					
No official baseball activities from November 1 - December 31 (strongly encourage a fall sport)					

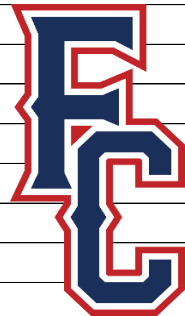
School Matters / Intellectual Development					
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Teacher/Mentor Recognition Program ... Gratitude					
Community Service activities (organized by TA/Program)					
Umpire Relationship-Building / Option for Training					
Field Prep/Maintenance training/clinic opportunities					
Playing Time ... nobody buried on bench / develop roles ... each player should be at least 2-dimensional					





Play the Game the Right Way					
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Examples...					
Run <u>through</u> 1B every at-bat with ball in play (or dropped third)					
Run to 1B when walked or HBP (drop bat at home plate and GO)					
Jog back to dugout with head up after Strikeout (as batter)					
Glove and Hat delivered from dugout to teammate who ends offensive half on the diamond (batter or runner)					
Absolutely no whining, crying, or responding to Umpire calls ... focused, classy approach					
Slide to bases when a play is being made					
Batter: pick-up catcher's mask when applicable					
Catcher: hand bat to batter when applicable					
Arrival Time and Pre-Game Flow					
Dugout Demeanor / Conduct ... <i>no Chanting!</i>					
Bleacher Demeanor / Conduct ... no sound systems, no artificial noise-makers, positive tone					



2023-2024 Sample Calendar Flow														
		September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	2024 Games (approx.)
9u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	League/Practice				36-40
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournament (1-2)			
10u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	League/Practice				36-40
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournament (1-2)			
11u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	League/Practice				36-40
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournament (1-2)			
12u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	League/Practice				40-44
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournament (1-2)			
13u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	League/Practice				40-44
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournaments (2)	Tournament (1-2)			
14u	Fall Ball	Fall Ball	Off	Off	Workouts	Workouts	Workouts	League/Practice	League/Practice	HS Summer Program (likely)			25-28	
	Coach's Choice	Coach's Choice	Individual	Individual	+ Individual		Host: Four in the Fort	Tournament (1-2)	Tournaments (2)					
Most tournaments are "sleep in your own bed" tournaments														
														
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Fall: Each coach will create the team's plan. Most Force teams will at least practice 6-8 times (to build team chemistry and introduce skill development topics). Most Force teams play some Fall games.														
Winter Workouts: most teams workout 2x per week in January/February, with individual teams or the Force Baseball program offering additional individual development opportunities.														
League Play: new for 2024, each coach will choose if they want to play league games / weeknight games. Most Force coaches see value/benefit in playing weeknight games.														
Tournaments: any out-of-state tournament travel will be discussed with the team (by the coach) in the Sept-Oct-Nov timeframe (for the following Spring/Summer season). This would add additional cost (beyond the Budget Rough Draft).														
14u: Force 14u plays a short-season. The team schedule will conclude by mid-May (no later than Memorial Weekend) to allow players to join their HS Summer programs (as rising 9th Graders).														

2023-2024 Budget ROUGH DRAFT Force Baseball		Approximate Costs			
		Fall Games/Practices (includes Training Center)	\$1,400.00	4-8g (Sept/Oct)	
		Fall Shirts	\$400.00		
		Tournaments if 7x	\$5,250.00	avg \$750	
		League / Weeknight Play	\$2,900.00		
		Affiliation	\$600.00		
		Uniforms	\$3,000.00		
		Workout Space / Training-Clinic Space	\$5,500.00		
		Equipment	\$500.00		
		Baseballs	\$250.00		
		Team Flag / Banner / Pins	\$250.00		
		Sanction Fees	\$250.00		
		Insurance	\$150.00		
		Umpires (misc.)	\$300.00		
		Admin	\$600.00		
	This sample is likely for 11u/12u teams	Total	\$21,350.00		
	Costs very similar for 9u/10u	Per Player (12)	\$1,779.17		
	Costs slightly higher for 13u/14u			Cost is higher if a team plays more tournaments	
	Most tournaments are "sleep in your own bed" tournaments			Cost is higher if a team rosters 11 players	
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		For all players (new and returning), a \$400 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of accepting a roster spot.			
		Final balance for the season is due by February 1.			

