



Greenfield Minor League Baseball Coaches Information

Thank you to everyone who would like to volunteer their time and help coach in Greenfield Minor League Baseball (GMLB). All coaches, managers and other volunteers associated with GMLB, including tournament play, are required to complete several steps before they are able to coach or even be on a field for GMLB. (Please note that this is a requirement for anyone to assist any coach on a game or practice field as well.) Note that almost all requirements are required by Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth Baseball, and are done through their website.

Here is a listing of the items needed:

Background Check:

- Payment: GMLB has set up a pre-paid code to pay for your background check. Email Brian at gmlbwinslow@gmail.com or Jeremy at gmlbsuhl@gmail.com to obtain the current pre-paid code before you do the background check. Once you complete the background check, use the code provided to pay (please only do once).
- Go to the following website (Sports Engine):
<https://memberships.sportsengine.com/org/babe-ruth-league/affiliation/greenfield-minor-league-baseball>
- To start, complete your login and membership (or re-login in) and this should associate you with our league. You should have the option to pick a membership at the end. **Pick “Coach”** (even if you are a “team manager/head coach” in GMLB).
- Once you create the login, you will get an email to complete the background check and provide further information about yourself (this is where you would pay).
- Please note, that background checks are guided by Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth and Sports Engine. If there are any issues with the background, both clearing or passing the background check or any other logistical problems, you must contact Babe Ruth/Sports Engine to clear them up or be approved. They will email you if there are any issues. GMLB cannot allow you to coach unless you are approved by Cal Ripken.
- This must be completed at least every other year by current Cal Ripken requirements.

Abuse Prevention Systems Training:

- On Sports Engine, you must also complete the Abuse Prevention Training Course to be a coach. You must complete this every other year at this time.

Note: Both Background checks and the Abuse training will expire in exactly 2 years from the date you did it. So if you do one or both on 4/21/25, you will need to redo both on 4/21/27 to coach in the 2027 year.

Coaching Certificate:



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- **Babe Ruth Coaching Certification Course.** This is done online at the following link: <https://coacheducation.humankinetics.com/collections/247> or [Babe Ruth League – Human Kinetics Coach Education](#).
- You must purchase the course yourself. Please make sure to choose Youth Baseball. The course should be \$19.95. You can email gmlbsuhl@gmail.com for league reimbursement if you choose.
- **Once you have passed the Coaching Certification Course, you must upload it in Sports Engine.**
- Please note that this is a lifetime certificate, so if you have already completed and cannot locate it, check your email for when they originally sent you the certificate or contact Babe Ruth (1-800-880-3142).
- Sports Engine/Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken may accept other coaching certificates you may have from other sports, schools, leagues, community centers, etc. If you have one of these, you can try uploading it in Sports Engine to see if it qualifies as a replacement for the Babe Ruth Coaching Certification. (Please note that GMLB does not have any input on what is accepted as a replacement)

Once you have completed these three items, you should be able to coach in the regular season in GMLB. Note: If you complete these three items, please make sure you are “associated” with our league. This is needed to add you to the roster for your team. Thank you.

Tournament Coaches:

- In the past we have had to have a copy of your coaching certificate (see Above) on file for Tournaments. If this is the case, we will let you know and have you submit a copy to Jeremy or Brian or the tournament team head coach/manager.
 - Tournament Team Coaches must be in the Tournament Team Photo for certain Tournaments. The Head Coach will let you know if you have to be.
 - Other requirements may be needed, and we will let you know.
- Should your Background or Abuse Prevention expire during the Regular Season or Tournament Season, you must renew them in order to coach those seasons

Thanks again for volunteering to coach. Without your help, GMLB could not run, and provide the avenue for young players to develop the skills of the game while having fun and making some special memories.