

# POLICIES OF THE GREENFIELD AREA MINOR LEAGUE YOUTH BASEBALL, INC.

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## I. General Information

- A. Players ages will be determined by Greenfield Area Youth Minor League Baseball (GMLB)
- B. A Player is eligible for GMLB if he or she has reached his or her 6th birthday by April 30th and cannot have reached his or her 13th birthday before May 1st of the current year.
- C. A completed CORI request form is required by all managers, coaches and volunteers.
- D. A player may register online with GMLB while the registration period is open. Any late or subsequent player registrations will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis with final approval determined by the Board of Directors.
- E. A player registering after the scheduled registration dates may pay an increased registration fee.
- F. All players, managers, coaches, umpires, and concession stand volunteers registered with GMLB are covered by insurance purchased by the GMLB.

## II. Tryouts

- A. All players must attend tryouts as assigned; Exceptions due to extenuating circumstances must be reported to the League.
- B. At the time of tryouts, those evaluating the players will receive a list of all players registered for tryouts. This list will group players by age.
- C. The goal of the tryouts is to evaluate all players to determine skill level and which Division (Majors, AAA, AA or Rookies) a player should be in. While age may be a factor, ability, level of physical and emotional maturity to play in each division.
- D. New players who are likely to be evaluated for Rookies (likely are age 7 or 8 and below) may be given the option of not trying out and go directly to Rookie division. Players will be given the option to try out if they so desire, as they may qualify for a higher division.

## III. Divisions, Teams, and Draft

- A. After the tryouts, the Board of Directors, or GMLB evaluation team, will determine how many teams and which players should be in each division.

- B. Each year, the number of player registrations and players at each division level change and thus there may not be the same number of teams in the league or in each division as the prior year.
- C. Each year, based on the number of division, teams, and player registration resulting from Tryouts and Evaluations, the Board of Directors will determine whether to have a standard draft or reshuffling of the league in the best interest of competition.
- D. Players may change teams from year to year, even in the same division.
- E. Ultimate placement on a team or in a division will be decided by the Board of Directors. The board will take into consideration any concerns of the parents. The ultimate decision is that of the Board of Directors
- F. Any returning AAA player not selected for the Majors will remain in the AAA division.
- G. All twelve (12) year old players will be given the opportunity to be assigned to the Majors Division.

#### IV. Tournament Policies

- A. The GMLB Tournament teams are competitive teams. No playing time is guaranteed.
- B. Possible tournament teams normally include 12U, 11U, 10U, 9U and 8U. Whether there will be a tournament team for any group will depend on volunteers to run them, and player participation.
- C. The GMLB president will act as the Tournament chairman and appoint up to five (5) committee members.
- D. The GMLB Treasurer oversees the finances of the Tournaments.
- E. Anyone wishing to manage a tournament team, must submit their name at least 1 week prior to the posted Board Vote for Tournament Managers.
- F. The Board of Directors will vote by majority to determine Tournament manager for each team.
- G. The selection of the tournament teams will be done in a manner that promotes fairness to all players involved.
- H. The selection of a player for a team should consider many factors that include but may not be limited to: performance at a league-sanctioned tryout; performance during the regular season; and an objective and open analysis about a player's level of physical and emotional maturity and readiness for tournament-level play.
- I. Tryouts must be publicly posted a minimum of seven (7) days prior to their scheduled date and freely open to any eligible player.
- J. The duration of the tournament team commitment extends from selection to the through the end of tournament play.
- K. Failure to adhere to the agreement shall result in the player's removal from the team.
- L. Managers and coaches do not have the authority to override tournament policy.
- M. A player that quits or is removed from a Tournament team may not be eligible to participate on a Tournament team during the next season as determined by the Board of Directors. (Exception; medical with doctor's certification).
- N. Parents will be expected to participate in tournament activities such as but not limited to concession, field maintenance, chaperoning, and fundraising.
- O. Any fundraising done for the Tournament team must be pre-approved by the Board of Directors.
- P. Additional expenses may be incurred by the player/parent during the tournaments such as travel expenses, food and accommodations.