



GAA Player Selection Plan – Baseball and Softball

1. Tryouts

- a. Players will try out at designated times prior to the draft.
- b. All players need to try out, including managers children.
- c. Any players who do not attend one of the designated try out times will go into a random drawing at the draft.

2. Protection of Players Prior To The Draft

- a. The child (or children) of the Manager will automatically be placed upon their team. The assistant's children will be rated by the other Managers based on tryout performance. Consensus among Managers will determine what round draft pick the children will slot into.
- b. The children of the designated Assistant Coach(es) (a maximum of 3 children allowed) will also be automatically placed upon their team. The assistant's children will be rated by the other Managers based on tryout performance. Consensus among Managers will determine what round draft pick the children will slot into.
- c. If the first Assistant Coach's child already takes a draft slot, the next available slot is used for the second protected Assistant Coach's child.
- d. At the beginning of the draft, **a maximum of four players can be on a team's roster**. If siblings would push the number above four, the number of Assistant Coaches (and as a result their children) must be reduced and not protected. Siblings cannot be split to give a coach an extra protection unless they are requesting to be on separate teams.

3. The Draft

- a. Draft order will be determined at the draft with a random draw between all Managers. Draw order will be in seniority of time spent as a Manager in the league.
- b. Draft will be serpentine, from first to last pick in round 1 and last to first in round 2, continuing in the same manner until all rounds are complete.
- c. At any point, a Manager can decide not to select a player from the try-out list and can select one of the players who did not try out. This is done through a blind draw of the applicable player numbers. The player number that is drawn is placed onto that Manager's team.
- d. If a parent has placed a request for their child to NOT play for a certain Manager and that Manager selects the child, the player will remain in the draft pool and the Manager will immediately be asked to select a different player.
- e. A parent request to play for a certain Manager will only be honored if the player is in the 4U division.
- f. Ride-share requests will be noted at the draft for the Managers but are not binding. When a Manager selects the child who is one half of a requested ride-share, they will be informed whom the request is with. It is up to that Manager to draft that player with a later pick, if they so chose. The only exceptions are players living in the same household. If one of those players is selected, the connected player will be rated by the other managers and the drafting Manager will have the player added to their roster in the agreed upon draft slot.
- g. At the end of the draft, the finishing slot is noted. Any players registering late will be randomly assigned to teams in a continuation of the draft order.

4. Trades

- a. Trades of players between teams must occur prior to rosters being finalized at the end of the draft.
- b. Trades cannot leave a team with a number of players different than the number they had previously drafted (i.e. 12 players were drafted and after a two for one trade, the roster is now 11 players).