



PORT WASHINGTON YOUTH BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

TRYOUT INFORMATION

Tryouts on Sunday, September 11th and 18th (at the TJ fields)

Port Washington Youth Baseball and Softball announces the **2012 Traveling Team** tryouts. We must have a parent/guardian sign a waiver and registration form prior to having any candidate tryout. Cooperation is needed to give everyone at tryouts a fair opportunity of participating in each drill. During a tryout, there are a lot of times when candidates will be waiting for their turn to participate. **THEY WILL BE ASKED TO WAIT QUIETLY AND PATIENTLY, IN NUMERIC ORDER DURING THESE TIMES.**

The times listed below will be the start time for each age level. **We highly recommend the player attend both tryout dates, but in order to be considered for the team you must attend at least one.** If both days are attended, we will take an average score of the 2 days. **There will not be any tryouts in the Spring.**

All grades are as of Fall 2011.

U10 Baseball (4 th Grade) 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	U14 Baseball (8 th Grade) 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM
U11 Baseball (5 th Grade) 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	U12 Fast Pitch (4 th 5 th 6 th or 7 th Grade) 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM
U12 Baseball (6 th Grade) 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	U14 Fast Pitch (7 th 8 th or 9 th Grade) 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
U13 Baseball (7 th Grade) 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	

Boy's Traveling Baseball –based on Fall 2011 grade
Girl's Fast Pitch Softball – Age is determined as of December 31st 2011.

Depending on how many kids tryout, there could possibly be a second team in some age groups / or combined age groups.

Traveling teams are an opportunity for baseball players to challenge themselves by competing against teams from other communities and for softball players to play Fast Pitch Softball prior to High School. The participants will be graded based on **hitting** (including ball in hand for Girl's U-12 Fast Pitch teams), **fielding** ground balls from the shortstop position and throwing to first base; and **catching fly balls** and then throwing to second base.

STATIONS/JUDGING: Players will rotate among skill stations that include:

Batting: Judges will be looking for good form in a player's swing and a quick bat. Good contact helps, but is not the most important part of this skill evaluation.

Fly Balls: Candidates will receive fly balls thrown/batted directly at them, to their left and to their right. Fielding position, form and throwing accuracy will be evaluated.

Ground Balls: Candidates will field ground balls batted directly at them, to their left and to their right. Fielding position, form and throwing accuracy will be evaluated.

Pitching will not be part of the tryout process.

Former and current players and coaches will help with running stations and judging players. The judges are paid and are not affiliated with PWYB/S. Every effort will be made to have the same judges at each station for both tryout dates. Judges will also be looking for player discipline and listening skills. Candidates are encouraged to sit/stand quietly. Their attention and attitude skills will be noted.

TRYOUT SCORES: Scores will be determined approximately **one week** after the final tryouts and all candidates will be notified of their results. **No scores will be given out early.**

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PLAYER NOTIFICATION: The first 10 players on each team will be called by the coach. A divisional representative (as listed below) will be responsible for calling the remaining tryout candidates from the tryout roster list. If you would like to be considered for a coaching position or have any post tryout questions, please contact the appropriate representative.

Division	PWYB/S Representative	Phone Number/email
U10	Dave Murphy	284-9428 djslmurphy@yahoo.com
U11	Joe Buczek	284-5668 buczka@wi.rr.com
U12	Mike Goebel	284-1096 mac_goebel@sbcglobal.net
U13	Randy Schmit	284-5291 randy@voellermixers.com
U14	Bob Snook	268-1404 rkksnook@aol.com
U12 Fast	Patrick Modjeski	536-4188 patrick.modjeski@sevenhills-online.com
U14 Fast	Ward Wojciehowski	284-1115 WWojciehowski@ritehite.com

BASEBALL ROSTERS: The first ten (10) players on a team will be determined by their skill score. The remaining players for each team will be determined by the coach. The coach will choose at least 2 additional players and these players must be from the list of those who tried out.

SOFTBALL ROSTERS: The first ten (10) players on a team will be determined by their skill score. The remaining players for each team will be determined by the coach. The coach will choose at least 2 additional players and these players must be from the list of those who tried out.

ATTENDANCE: Players are required to have a 90% attendance rate for practices and games. Attendance rule is the rule of the Board and will cause the coach to seek a possible change to the roster as a result.

FILLING A PERMANENT SPOT ON THE ROSTER IF A PLAYER WITHDRAWS FROM THE TEAM: The next player (number 11) from tryout results will be called to fill a roster vacancy, followed by player number 12, etc. These players may choose to accept or decline the offer. If a coach's discretionary pick vacates his/her spot, then the coach still has the discretion to pick anyone remaining on the tryout list. All fees associated with being on the team are required to be paid by all deadline dates.

SHORT-TERM PLAYER SUBSTITUTION: Due to short-term illnesses and vacations, coaches may bring a registered player in from the same age group or a registered player from a younger team.

INJURY PROVISION RULE ADOPTED BY THE PWYB/S BOARD AUGUST, 2006:

An existing Travel Baseball/Softball player that becomes injured and is unable to tryout for the next year's team, will automatically be placed on next year's team if:

- 1) A Doctors note is produced stating that the player is not capable of trying out due to injury.
- 2) The player is a top 10 player as determined by the existing travel coach and his/ her assistants. Determination will be based on prior years tryout ratings, team stats from the prior season, as well as, overall assessment by the coaching staff.
- 3) The injured player will automatically take the 10th spot in the rankings.
- 4) If a second player is injured, see points (1) and (2). This player will automatically take the 9th spot. Players must have a physician's release prior to resuming play if injured during the season.

ESTIMATED COSTS: After receiving notification of making a traveling team, PWYB/S will invoice each participant a **\$50.00 fee due on or before December 1, 2011**. This initial deposit is **non-refundable** and confirms your commitment to the team and will be applied towards the overall cost of the registration amount. This total amount will be determined at a later date after budgets are determined. The amount will be similar to last year and may include a modest increase.