

Knik Little League Baseball & Softball

All-Star Selection Policy & Procedure

(Dates may vary depending on calendar year/field availability/weather)

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Junior Softball, Little League (Majors), Intermediate (50/70) & Senior Baseball Divisions: (Vote and Tryout Process)

Player Eligibility:

Little League (Majors) Baseball- Any player League Age 10, 11, or 12, who has participated as an eligible player in 60% of the regular season games in Little League (Majors) or Intermediates (50-70) Baseball Division. -

Intermediate (50-70) Baseball – Any player League Age 11, 12, or 13 who has participated in 60% of the regular season games in the Intermediate (50-70), Majors, or Senior Baseball Divisions.

Senior Baseball & Junior Softball - Any player League Age 12, 13, 14, 15, or 16 who has participated as an eligible player in 60% of the regular season games in the Junior Softball Divisions. There is no play requirement for Senior Baseball.

Manager/Coach Eligibility:

Little League (Majors) Baseball - The manager and coaches shall be regular season team managers and/or coaches from the Little League (Majors) Baseball Division or Intermediate Division.

- **Intermediate (50-70) Baseball** - The manager and coaches shall be regular season team managers and/or coaches from the Intermediate (50-70) or Majors Division.

- **Senior Baseball & Junior Softball** - The manager and coaches shall be regular season team managers and/or coaches from the Senior Baseball/Junior Softball Divisions or Intermediate (50/70) Baseball Division. **League Presidents may be eligible to be selected by the local league Board of Directors as tournament team managers or coaches with written approval from their respective District Administrators.** · All managers, Junior Softball /Little League (Majors) and above Baseball Divisions will be given All-Star Applications in the last half of May. They will be available for every player on their team to fill out. Managers will inform their players that these must be returned to them on or before the designated due date.

If a player is “playing up” and wants to play on a lower division All Stars team, they must meet Little League International eligibility requirements and express a desire to the League President so that they are considered in the protocol below. The respective manager may consider players from upper divisions that are eligible and desire to play.

If a player desires to ‘play up’ on a higher division All Stars team, they must meet Little League International eligibility requirements and express a desire to the League President so that they are considered in the protocol below. The respective manager may consider players from lower divisions that are eligible and desire to play.

· Managers will collect and sign the applications before submitting them to the respective player agents. ·

Coaches and Managers who request to coach All-Stars must submit their request to the League President.

· The names of all players who have turned in their applications will be placed on the one voting ballot according to which All Stars team they qualify for and have been approved.

· Managers will be given one ballot for each manager and coach on their team with the eligible players listed.

(See Sample Ballot)

· The voting ballots will ask for each coach to vote for up to 6 players for the prospective All Star teams. They may vote for less, but cannot vote for more. Coaches can only vote for the division they officially coached in that year.

· On or before June 6th. All managers and coaches shall turn in the All-Star voting ballots to the player agents. · Player agents will tabulate the results, approve them, and submit them to the President. · The tabulated results will be provided to the President, and the top 6 players are automatically assigned to the team (excluding the manager's child).

⇒ All players that returned an All Stars Application for Baseball or Softball will have an All Stars tryout on or before June 6th.

⇒ Tryouts will consist of an evaluation of skills held by a committee of managers and coaches assembled for that purpose. There will be an equal number of coaches from Majors and Intermediate teams, along with any higher-level coaches that are present or invited.

⇒ On or before June 6th, the tryout scores will be tabulated by the player agents with the approval of the President or Vice President Representative.

⇒ The top six scorers (excluding the manager's child) will automatically make the All Stars team they tried out for. Those may or may not be the same 6 that garnered the highest votes in the ballot process.

· The President will select the All-Star managers and coaches.

· The All-Star managers and coaches will then be provided the tabulated results and asked to select 3-5 additional players, based on who (and how many) they feel will help the team be successful.

· Managers will inform the President who the additional 3-5 players are, and then all All-Star teams will then be approved by the executive board. Teams will have a maximum of 14 players except Senior Baseball that may have 16 players.

· The teams will be posted on the Knik Website.

All Stars Sample Voting Ballot

Use an X to vote for only 6 players to the {LL (Majors), Intermediate, Junior} All Star Team

Use an O to vote for only 6 players to the Minors (10-11) All Star Team {Baseball Only}

Team 1:

___ Full Name, League Age

___ Full Name, League Age

___ Full Name, League Age

Team 2:

___ Full Name, League Age

___ Full Name, League Age

___ Full Name, League Age

Team 3:

___ Full Name, League Age

Team 4:

___ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

Team 5:

Team 6:

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

____ Full Name, League Age

Majors/Minors Softball & Minors (8-10 & 9-11) Baseball Divisions: (Tryout Process)

Player Eligibility:

- **Minors Baseball & Softball** -Any player League Age 8, 9, or 10, who has participated as an eligible player in 60% of the regular season games in Minors or Little League (Majors) Baseball/Softball Divisions.
- **Majors Softball** - Any player League Age 10, 11 or 12, who has participated as an eligible player in 60% of the regular season games in Majors or Juniors Softball Divisions.

Manager/Coach Eligibility:

- Manager and coaches shall be regular season team managers and/or coaches from the Majors/Minors Softball, and Majors/Minors Baseball Divisions.

League Presidents may be eligible to be selected by the local league Board of Directors as tournament team manager or coach with written approval from their respective District Administrators.

- Player agents will hand out the All-Star Applications to each manager. Managers, with input from their coaches, will then hand out the applications to the players on their team that are interested in playing All Stars.
- Little League (Majors) Baseball managers will receive and hand out All-Star Applications to each of the 10 year old players on their teams and advise them to attend the 8-10 Tryouts. **It is recommended that all 10-year-olds who choose to be placed on the Little League (Majors) ballot also attend tryouts in the event they do not make it on a higher division team.**
- All players must return completed applications to their managers.
- Coaches and Managers who request to coach All-Stars need to submit their request to the President. · All 8, 9 & 10 year old Baseball & Softball players that returned an All-Star Application will have a Minor's All-Star tryout. All 8-12 year old Softball players will have a tryout at the Knik fields.
- Tryouts will consist of an evaluation of skills by a committee of managers and coaches assembled for that purpose.

The committee will consist of equal numbers of Minors and Majors evaluators along with any higher level coaches (Intermediates/Junior/High School) that are present or invited.

Only 1 Coach or Manager from a team may be present to evaluate the players, but all are highly encouraged to help run the assessments and support their players.

- Scores will be tabulated by the player agents with the approval of the President or Vice President Representative.

- The President will assign the All-Star managers and coaches.
- The top 6 scores per division will be placed on the Minors Baseball/Softball & Majors Softball teams and the manager with input from their coaches will be allowed to pick the additional 3-5 players, the remaining teams to be made in the same fashion in sequential order; (**See All-Star Priorities**). Teams will have a maximum of 14 players per team.
- The teams will be posted on the Knik Website.

All-Star Teams:

- The Baseball All-Star teams will consist of:
 - Minors (8-10) (A) Team *League Ages; 8, 9 & 10
 - Minors (8-10) (B) Team *League Ages; 8, 9 & 10 (Pending Enough Players)
 - Minors (9-11) (A) Team *League Ages; 9, 10 & 11
 - Minors (9-11) (B) Team *League Ages; 9, 10 & 11 (Pending Enough Players)
 - Little League (Majors) Team *League Ages; 10, 11 & 12
 - Intermediate (50/70) Team *League Ages; 11, 12 & 13
 - Senior Team *League Ages; 13, 14, 15, & 16 (Pending Enough Players)
- The Softball All-Star teams will consist of:
 - Minors Team *League Ages; 8, 9 & 10
 - Majors Team *League Ages; 10, 11 & 12
 - Junior Team *League Ages; 12, 13 & 14

All-Star Team Priorities:

Some players may be eligible for multiple teams based on age. The following will be used to set priorities when assigning teams however, League goal is to field the most competitive team at all levels:

- Baseball All-Star teams priorities:
 - Little League (Majors) Team
 - Intermediate (50/70) Team
 - Minors (8-10) (A) Team
 - Minors (11/10) (A) Team
 - Minors (8-10) (B) Team
 - Minors (11/10) (B) Team
 - Junior Team
- Softball All-Star teams priorities:
 - Majors Team
 - Junior Team
 - Minors Team