

East Greenbush-Castleton Youth Baseball

All Star Selection Procedures and Expectations



Introduction

This brief description of the EGCYBL All Star selection procedures was developed to provide parents and potential players with an overview of how the EGCYBL All Star teams are selected and what the expectations are for both the parents and the players. If there are specific issues that are not addressed in this document, please email your questions to the All Star Coordinator at allstars@egcybl.com.

All-Star baseball is very competitive and is intended for players with more advanced skills who wish to play additional baseball after the recreational program is complete. For this reason, all-star baseball is selective.

Eligibility

To be eligible to participate on an All Star team, the player must meet the following criteria:

- The player and the parent/guardian must live within the boundaries of the East Greenbush-Castleton Your Baseball League for the season, or have a previously approved waiver stating that All Star eligibility has been granted.
- The player must have participated in at least 60% of the regular season, recreational games in the Minor, International, AAA or Major division.
- The player must be available for all practices, games and activities through the entire All Star season.

Regular Season Manager and Coach Responsibility

Regular season managers and coaches should make every effort to evaluate players throughout the regular season; both players on their team and teams against which they are competing. The selection of the All Stars is ultimately the responsibility of the regular season managers, so they should make an effort throughout the season to observe the players that they feel could be nominated for the All Star teams.

All Star Player Agreement

If selected to an All Star team, the player understands and commits that they will be available for **all** practices, games and activities beginning in early June through the conclusion of All Star season. The player understands that their team could advance through District and State tournaments into late July, or potentially into August if the team advances through Regionals. The player and parent also understand that playing time and positions are not guaranteed.

All Star Parent Agreement

The parents or guardians of the player shall provide approval for the player to be eligible for the selection process. By agreeing to enter your player in the selection process, you are agreeing to make the player available for all practices, games and activities throughout the All Star season, and every tournament to which the player's team advances. **The parent agrees not to schedule, or have plans for vacation or other activities, including other baseball leagues, teams or programs which will interfere with the player's ability to attend practices, games or other activities.** Parents should also know that additional costs and fees will be required for All Star participation, including, but potentially not limited to, uniform costs. The parents must also commit to assisting if necessary with all league activities during the All Star season including field maintenance and concession duty.

Selection Procedures

The All Star Coordinator, the Player Agent and the appropriate regular season division representative shall be responsible for overseeing the All Star selection process. All managers within the appropriate division(s) shall be present during the selection meeting.

The following are the All Star Teams that EGCYBL will be fielding:

- The 12 Year Old Tournament Team competes in the District, Section, State, Regional, and Williamsport Little League World Series Tournament. Eligibility is limited to players of league age 11 or 12 playing in the Major Division.
- The 10/11 Year Old State Tournament Team competes in the District, Section, and New York State Tournament. Eligibility is limited to players of league age 10 or 11 playing in the Major or AAA divisions.
- The 10 Year Old State Tournament Team competes in the District, Section, and New York State Tournament. Eligibility is limited to players of league age 9 or 10 playing in the Major or AAA divisions.

In addition, the following Tournament teams may also be fielded depending on the level of interest and the number of nominated players:

- The 11/12 District Round Robin Tournament Team(s) compete in the District 11 and 12 year-old Round Robin Tournament. Eligibility is limited to players of league age 11 or 12 playing in the Major or AAA Divisions.
- The 9/10 District Round Robin Tournament Team(s) compete in the District 9 and 10 year-old Round Robin Tournament. Eligibility is limited to players of league age 9 or 10 playing in the Major, AAA or International Divisions.
- 7 and 8 Year Old Tournament Team(s) compete against other Little Leagues in invitational tournaments. Eligibility is limited to league age 7 and 8 playing in the International or Minor division.

In most cases, All Star teams will have a total of 12 players. A player can be removed from the team if they miss two (2) games or three (3) practices during the season (except for injury or sickness).

Teams will be selected as follows:

All Star Team Selections

- Each regular season manager nominates the top players from his/her team and provides the Player's parents with an All Star nomination form. By submitting the form back to the league, the parents and players agree to the conditions outlined in this document and the conditions on the nomination form. Forms are typically required to be submitted at the end of May. **A player is not eligible for an All Star team if the nomination forms are not returned by the specified date. Submitting a nomination form does not guarantee a player's selection to a team.**
- The All Star Coordinator collects the completed nomination forms for each level and develops a master list of the players nominated.
- A meeting is held for each level and attended by all regular season team managers. Each manager is given the opportunity to discuss the qualifications of each nominated player, including the player's offensive and defensive abilities and the player's overall sportsmanship.
- After completion of the player discussions, the regular season managers are given a copy of the list of players at the level being discussed and a voting form.
- Each manager votes on a point system, with their top 4 selections receiving 3 points, the middle 4 receiving 2 points, and the last 4 receiving 1 point. **Managers may not vote for a player who was on their regular season team. This, of course, includes their own child.**
- The votes are then tallied in private by the All Star Coordinator and the Player Agent. **If either of these two Board members have a player who is a candidate for the All Star Team, a different Board member will tally the points.**
- The 8 players receiving the highest number of points are **automatically** on the All Star team.
- The All Star manager then selects the final 4 All Stars from the list of players that received at least one point. Players who did not receive at least one point are not eligible for the manager's selection. This is done to allow the coach to be able to balance the team - i.e. have multiple Catchers or specific position players that the top 8 may be lacking.
- The All Star teams are announced in early June.

Tournament Team Selections

- Tournament Teams are selected from the nominated players remaining after selection of the All Star teams at each level.
- If there are not enough players remaining at a specific level, a Tournament Team may not be formed. We will also try to solicit additional player interest if needed to fill a particular team.

- Likewise, if there are more than 12 players at a certain level, but not enough to field 2 Tournament Teams, only 1 team will be formed. In this case, the team will be selected based upon the remaining 8 players receiving the highest number of points in the initial vote. The manager will then select the 4 others from the list of players that received at least one point.
- If there are more than 12 players at a level, but there are not 12 that received at least one point during the All Star Team voting, then a second vote will be held on the remaining players.
- As with the All Star Teams, the 8 players with the highest point totals are automatically on the team, and the manager will select the last 4 from players receiving at least 1 point in the vote.

All Star Manager Selections

The All Star Managers must have been either a manager or a coach within the respective division during the regular season. **Managers must commit to being available for all practices, games and activities during the All Star Season.**

- Interested managers must notify the All Star Coordinator that they would like to be considered for an All Star manager by the end of May.
- If there is more than one interested manager at any level, then the potential managers will be interviewed by the EGCYBL Board of Directors.
- The Board of Directors will then vote to determine who will be the All Star Manager.
- All Star Managers who are the only potential manager at a particular level must also be approved by the Board of Directors.