

Parents of 6, 7, and 8 year olds,

Tryouts for 7U and 8U GYS Griffins Baseball teams will be on Saturday, March 14th. In an effort to clarify the tournament tryout process and inform parents, this email has been drafted to include as much information as possible. Please take the time to read all information if you are interested in 7U or 8U tournament team baseball through GYS. In order to sign up for 7U or 8U tryouts, please email the Tournament Team Director, Robert Sipes (icor919@hotmail.com) with Player name, DOB, and team trying out for, 7U or 8U. (*Registration for tournament team tryouts is not available in sports engine this year*)

If you have questions regarding the tryout or to register for tryouts, please contact the Tournament Team Coordinator (Rob Sipes, icor919@hotmail.com) or the individual team coaches below.

The GYS Board has voted that players selected for both 7U Green and White teams will be eligible to play league in machine pitch, if desired. You will register for the appropriate grade level league (t-ball) and will be moved if appropriate after tryouts.

Tryout information is as follows for both age groups.

7U tryouts @ 2pm - Saturday, March 14th @ Hortonville HS Fieldhouse. The coach for the 7U team will be Nate Straubel. Contact info and the schedule will be available on the GYS Website soon (www.greenvilleyouthsports.com). Nate will be scheduling some open gyms for potential 7U players in February and March. For details on these open gyms and to be included in distribution of this information, please email him directly (coachstraubel@gmail.com).

*Attendance at open gyms will not influence selection to any teams. They are organized practices for everyone to attend when convenient or available.

To be eligible to try out for the 7U year old tournament team this summer players cannot turn 8 years old prior to April 30, 2020

8U tryouts @ 4pm - Saturday, March 14th @ Hortonville HS Fieldhouse, The coach for the 8U team will be Chris Choudoir. Contact info and the schedule will be available on the GYS Website soon (www.greenvilleyouthsports.com). Chris will be scheduling some open gyms for potential 8U players in February and March. For details on these open gyms and to be included in distribution of this information, please email him directly (cchoudoir@gmail.com).

*Attendance at open gyms will not influence selection to any teams. They are organized practices for everyone to attend when convenient or available.

To be eligible to try out for the 8U year old tournament team this summer players cannot turn 9 years old prior to April 30, 2020

Some reminders about tournament team eligibility and policies:

To be eligible for any tournament team, the player must be registered and participating in GYS league baseball.

The Head Coaches child(ren) must go through the tryouts and are NOT guaranteed a spot on the roster

A player can only try out for one age group each season. Players who tried out for the 9U tournament team last fall are not eligible to tryout for another age group

Information regarding the selection of a 2nd Team(s):

The GYS Policies and Procedures state:

If there are more than 24 participants at a tryout AND after the final selection of 12 players (or 14 players – as noted above) has been made; a volunteer may submit a formal request to the Board for support of and the allowance of a second tournament team at that level – a “B” team.

- a. The original tryout scores for ALL those who did not make the original Tournament Team will be used in the selection of the second team.
- b. If a player did not tryout originally; they will not be allowed to tryout for the “B” team.
- c. Selection of the second team will follow the same criteria as the first team
- d. Any and all players selected to the original Tournament Team cannot choose not to participate on that team and be selected for the second team.

This means that we need every child that is interested in tournament team baseball at the 7U and 8U levels to register and participate in the tryouts on March 14th.

Information about player responsibilities/fees and the tournament schedules for both levels:

***Tournament player fees are \$50/player (“A” Team) or \$25/player (“B” Team). These fees are used to help offset the tournament entry fees (difference due to # of tournaments and support).

***Cost of the uniform (socks, pants, belt, jersey, hat) is approximately \$120.

***Expect to practice 1-2 times per week.

Thank you for your support of GYS baseball and your interest in Tournament Team baseball. If you have any additional questions, please contact the Tournament Team Coordinator (Rob Sipes, icor919@hotmail.com) or the individual team coaches above.