

## **Draft Night 101: What Managers Need To Know!**

Whether it's your first season with MBA or your tenth, below is a list of facts and tips to help you be prepared on draft night and beyond! Make sure to visit the MBA website for rules and season FAQs. Please contact your division's Player Agent if you have any questions. Thank you for volunteering to manage a team! MBA is a volunteer run, nonprofit organization. We couldn't do it without you!

### **Prior to drafts:**

1. Player evaluations take place during both Fall and Spring Season. Players who do not attend evaluations will be hat picks and assigned to teams by the MBA Board Member running your draft table. Hat picks can not be traded.
2. Look for emails from your division's Player Agent with date, time and location of draft night and/or evaluations. Coach, Assistant coach and Friendship Team players do not attend evaluations. They are already on your team.
3. All divisions are allowed up to four coaches (coach saves). You **MUST** provide a written statement to your Player Agent from each of your assistant coaches simply stating their name, their player's name and that they have agreed to be your assistant coach. No exceptions will be made!
4. Beginning Spring 2023, Friendship Team rosters will be accepted. Please see guidelines posted on the website for additional details. Rosters and parent permission forms are due prior to evaluations. No exceptions.

### **At the draft table:**

1. We begin promptly at the designated time. Arrive 10 minutes early! We have limited space so only one person per team is permitted at the draft table.
2. A paper draft sheet will be provided to you at the table. Bring additional paper to record your team roster for your records.
3. Coach requests are not available. Siblings in the same division will be placed on the same team unless otherwise requested by the parent.
4. After teams have been drafted you will receive your MBA field practice schedule, equipment bag form and coach uniform order form with instructions for each.

### **After drafts:**

1. Contact your team ASAP but no later than the Sunday after drafts! The draft sheet you received has contact information and uniform sizes for each player. Player uniforms will include jersey, hat, belt and socks. Pants are not provided by the league so let your parents know what color to buy!
2. All coach jersey orders and any player size changes are due by 2pm on the Sunday after drafts. If coach jersey orders are not received by the deadline X-Larges will be ordered by default.
3. All teams are responsible for obtaining a sponsor and must be turned in before you are able to pickup uniforms. See MBA website for details and form.
4. The Team Mom Meeting is mandatory. All information regarding uniforms, pictures, sponsorship and fundraisers will be provided. Someone from your team **MUST** attend! See MBA website – Team Mom Central for details.
5. A complete list of assistant coaches, team moms, dugout helpers, etc **MUST** be submitted by each team for background check verification. Include team name and division. Send to [w\\_womack@sbcglobal.net](mailto:w_womack@sbcglobal.net).

6. The MBA fields will not be available for practice once games begin. Establish your practice location

7. Designate your team's scorekeeper. Score keeping tutorials are available on the MBA website.

**Have a great season!**