

## QYBA Tournament Program

1. QYBA's tournament program gives its players an opportunity to play a more competitive style of baseball following the spring season. The cost to participate will be reviewed and set each year.
2. Every year, the president of QYBA will name an overall coordinator to oversee the tournament program. The tournament coordinator will form a committee and name individual coordinators for each age group. Each year this committee will review all aspects of the program and try to address issues from the previous season and improve the program. Any changes must be presented to the QYBA board and approved.
3. Generally, teams will be formed for 9, 10, 11, & 12U. At the discretion of the board, secondary teams may be formed for each age bracket if there is enough interest.
4. Participation is a privilege and as such eligibility must be maintained throughout the season. Players must be in good standing with the league with no conduct issues, have played in the current spring season, and attended 80% of scheduled games. Any issues pertaining to a player's eligibility will be reviewed by the tournament coordinator and presented to the executive board for a determination.
5. Head coaching candidates must be a head coach (or interview to be a head coach) in the spring season and be in good standing with the league. Candidates will interview and be selected by the QYBA Board. 12U coach selection will take place 1<sup>st</sup> will be done at a time appropriate after the QYBA Spring season. All other coaches will be selected at a time appropriate after the completion of the Summer Tournament Season. The tournament coordinator will secure coaches for any secondary teams that are formed. In the event that multiple coaches wish to coach a particular team, coaches will be voted on by the board.
6. Tryouts for the teams will be held sometime after the completion of the QYBA summer tournament season. Exact dates will vary from year to year. The tournament coordinator will work with the QYBA board in setting dates for tryouts. Teams will consist of 12 players. The top 10 players from each age group (based on tryouts) will make the roster. The head coach will pick the final 2 spots for his roster. The head coach will run his age groups tryout. Head coaches from the other tournament teams along with the top assistant from the team trying out will evaluate each tryout. In the event a head coach cannot attend tryout, that coach will name an impartial party from his coaching staff or the board to fill in.

Coaches should base their evaluations on performance at the tryout as well as their on field knowledge of a player. At the conclusion of the tryouts the coaches will tally the scores for their top 10 players that should be on the team. If a secondary team is being formed, the coaches will be asked to fill that roster with the next 10 highest rated players. The head coach, and tournament coordinator will review the evaluations and tally the scores and set the roster.

7. Once teams are selected, coaches may hold practices on Sundays, or as long as it does not interfere with a QYBA season.

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8. QYBA's home tournaments are run by the age group coordinator with the help of the age groups parents. The tournament fee by itself does not cover the cost to play. Parents must volunteer and help run their home tournament.
9. The tournament schedule is set by the head coach of each team. QYBA will cover tournament costs up to 3X the cost of its home tournament.
10. Head coaches, assistant coaches, players, and parents must remember to follow QYBA's code of conduct at all times, home or away. You are not only representing QYBA but the community of Quakertown. Code of conduct violations are grounds for immediate removal from the team.
11. Fundraising for tournament teams is limited to the 12u teams only. No other tournament team age bracket is allowed to fundraise. The 12A team shall raise the funds that are appropriate for them to go to the Cooperstown tournament (or an equivalent type tournament). There will be a cap set annually (based on the head coach's budget) for fundraising which will be subject to board approval. If there is a 12B team, they will be allowed to fundraise as long as it does not interfere with the 12A team efforts. The 12B will be limited to raising 10% of the 12A budget. 12B fundraising cannot start until a board approved date, and that date cannot be before March 1<sup>st</sup> unless the 12A fulfill their goal before then. Any money made above the approved budgets for both 12A and 12B will be given back to the league.
12. Direct Solicitation for corporate/business monetary donations are reserved for the in-house league only. Donations of goods and services are allowed for the 12u tournament teams.
13. This document is only meant as an overview and general guide to our Tournament Program. Unique circumstances that arise within this program will be reviewed by the QYBA Board

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