

**2017 11U Traveling Teams Guidelines**  
**(BYBA board reserves the right to make changes to the GUIDELINES)**

Registration for traveling will begin in **January 16th** and close **March 19th**. Late registrations **WILL NOT** be allowed unless numbers allow for it.

A player's age, based on born on or after May 1<sup>st</sup> determines his/her eligibility as to which team he/she may try out for.

Players **WILL** be allowed to move up a level to play with classmates.

We **WILL NOT** move players up more than one age group.

A birth certificate must be made available to the respective coach upon request.

Player's outside the Byron School District **WILL** be allowed to participate if numbers allow. They must register and upon the closing of registration will be notified of whether or not numbers allow. A full refund will be given if no room is available.

Board will determine coaches (2 minimum / 4 maximum).

Players from the same family (e.g. twins) are NOT guaranteed to play together.

Evaluations will be held if numbers are at 17 or more.

Additional specific details are below:

- ◆ If player numbers are between **10 (min) and 16 (max)**-all participants will be placed on 1 team.
- ◆ If player numbers are between **20 (min) and 24 (max)**-all participants make a team but operate as two teams. Teams will be split as evenly as possible based off evaluation.
- ◆ If the number of registered participants is less than **10 players**, the board will need to evaluate the numbers once registration is closed to determine options.
- ◆ If player numbers are between **17 and 19**, 1 team will be created with a rotating game schedule consisting of 3 groups.
- ◆ Evaluations will be held the week of **April 17<sup>th</sup>**. Every effort must be made to make the initial evaluation date.
- ◆ Evaluators will rate participants and each player will receive a score based on skill stations. Board members will be present to oversee the evaluations. Evaluations are not open to the general public. Players may not wear any gear

*that identifies them with any tournament team, plain shirts only. Evaluations are intended to be held outside; however, weather will dictate that. There will be two or three “warm-up” practices held prior to the evaluations in April.*

- ◆ *Player uniforms will consist of a team jersey (provided by BYBA), hat (provided by BYBA), white pants w/black piping, black belt, black socks, black spikes, and black helmet. The purchasing of the uniform is the responsibility of the player unless otherwise noted.*
- ◆ *Scholarship opportunities are available upon request. Contact an executive board member for more information.*

*If parents are interested in having their child participant on a traveling team, they will need to register and pay the traveling fee. **Registration will close March 19th.***

### **11U Traveling Team**

- 1) It is expected that players who choose to play a second sport make baseball practices and games their first priority. Plan on spending 2-5 nights per week at the baseball field. Also, additional expenses parents may incur for hotel/gas should be expected from traveling to and from games or playing in tournaments.
- 2) Practices will be held approximately twice per week (~1 ½ hours per practice).
- 3) Traveling teams will participate in the Zumbro Valley League (ZVL) which will include a 16-game schedule played as double headers and an end-of-year tournament. The ZVL schedules are subject to change.
- 4) Traveling teams will play up to two additional tournaments (if budget allows) played on Fridays and/or Saturdays and/or Sundays.
- 5) The traveling teams will play players were they have the best opportunity for success. The coach may choose to reduce a player’s game time if they are not regularly attending practices or for other reasons.