

DEVELOPMENTAL TEAM

The developmental team has been established to encourage those seeking high elevated baseball in our recreational leagues to remain in the recreational program rather than leave the program to pursue travel baseball. This allows the player to compete at a higher level throughout the season while remaining in the recreational program at Archer.

General Rules

1. The roster for each team will be set at 10-14 players.
2. The teams will be broken up into age groups i.e. 6U, 7U, 8U, etc. Each player must play with their respective age group unless baseball board approves the player to play up.
3. The team will have a minimum of 5 coaches on staff. The max number of coaches on staff will be 6. All coaches will be approved by the baseball board
4. There will be a lead coach from each age group will report to the appointed board member. These coaches will work together to develop the program for the team.
5. All players participating on the developmental team must be registered to play in their respective age group in recreational program at Archer.
6. All players must be in good standing with Archer as well.
7. The focus of this team will be player development. The players will be taught advanced baseball fundamentals and pitching mechanics. The experience will be similar to a travel team experience.
8. Over the course of the recreational season, the developmental team will participate in USSSA style tournaments. The goal is to participate in 2 or more tournaments per season weather and recreational scheduling permitting.
9. The coaches for this team will work together as a unit to ensure each child receives maximum individual attention.
10. If a player or coach misses one Archer scheduled recreational game or practice to attend a developmental team outing, that player or coach will receive a warning from the Baseball Board.
11. If a second absence occurs, that player or coach will be removed from the developmental team. **The recreational team always takes precedence.**
12. A player may not register in the recreational program simply to gain access to this team. If the baseball board becomes aware of a developmental player or coach missing practices and games for unexplained reasons, removal from the developmental team may occur.
13. These teams will have 1 to 2 outings per week in addition to recreational team outings. It is important that you can make the time commitment for both before trying out for this team.
14. This team will begin practice shortly after tryouts and will finish up at the end of the recreational regular season schedule. As of the last day of the recreational regular season schedule, these teams will disband to allow players an opportunity to focus on recreational playoffs.
15. The developmental team is not associated with the all-star teams that will be constructed at the end of the recreational season. There will be players on the developmental team

that will make an all-star team and there may be players that do not. There are players in the recreational program that may not participate on the developmental team but will make an all-star team. .

16. There will be an additional registration fee paid to the park by each player in this program.
17. All cost associated with this team will be covered by the team. Archer will only provide limited field time for practice and insurance coverage for the team.

All players interested in trying out for this team should be self-motivated and have a strong work ethic. It is not enough for a parent to simply want their child to play on this team. The child should want it as well.

Player selection Process

1. All players interested in participating on this team may attend the tryout.
2. A player interested in attending the tryout may sign-up for the tryout on the day of recreational player evaluations. There will be a sign-up sheet located at the check-in table.
3. The tryout time and date will be provided at the player evaluation registration table.
4. All players will be notified if they made the team or not within 72 hours of the tryout.

Coach selection Process

1. All coaches interested in coaching this team will need to contact the Developmental/Tournament Team coordinator by December 15th of each year. Interviews for head coaching positions will occur prior to January 15th of each year.
2. Assistant coaches will be selected by the lead coach. Once selected, the baseball board will make a final approval of all coaches before the staff is announced.
3. A coach must be in good standing with the baseball board and the Archer board in order to be considered for a role on this team.
4. You must be a head coach in the recreational program to be considered for the lead role on the developmental team.
5. Coaching developmental team does not guarantee anyone an All-Star coaching position