



Thunder Baseball League



Goal: Our goal in Thunder Baseball League’s (“TBL”) AA Level Competitive Division is to prepare our players for a chance to progress to the next level within TBL, which is the Majors or AAA Level. The ability and desire of players to move vertically in these divisions is up to each player and or family. There will be no directives or reasons for a player to move to the next level unless they desire to do so and have demonstrated increased skills.

Philosophy and Commitment to AA Level Baseball: This level may require all or part of the following criteria and commitment on the part of each player, parent and coach. If you choose to play, coach or be involved at this level it is understood that you have made that commitment. Please familiarize yourself with TBL’s ‘Rules and Regulations’ (“R & R’s”) as a supplement to this document and also review our codes of conduct contained in the R & R’s.

AA Level Expectations:

1. Games begin in early to late April and may continue into mid July.
2. The atmosphere is one of learning and growing as baseball players, in an atmosphere that is less competitive than the Majors or AAA Levels.
3. Teams may begin practice around mid-February.
4. Team fundraising (outside of TBL’s) may be a requirement to purchase additional equipment and/or pay for tournaments.
5. Tournaments may be played on Memorial and/or July 4th weekend if chosen by the Coach, his staff and a **consensus** of team parents. The Head Coach will set the number of tournaments with a maximum of 3 to 4 events.
6. The Head Coach and his assistants are there to help your children. Your support and assistance will only enhance his ability to accomplish this goal.
7. Parents will refrain from speaking to coaches before, during or after games with respect to issues involving any player, including play time, position, other team members, strategy, conduct, etc. This is not considered healthy or productive. The proper time is before or after practice, a phone call, or at such time the coach deems appropriate. TBL encourages its players to discuss any concerns directly with the Head Coach.
8. Players/families not able to make a full commitment to the AA Level environment may be better suited to play in the City of Broomfield’s Recreational Division.
9. Parents can always contact TBL should an issue arise that is beyond the coach or parents’ ability to mediate or come to an equitable agreement.
10. Youth coaches who focus their kids and parents on having fun, learning and being competitive - rather than winning - will have more success this season.
11. Each player will be charged a registration fee at the time of registration. Unless approved by TBL, the registration fee must be paid in full at the time of registration. Tournament fees, player lodging, food and transportation are not included in the registration fee and the players/families will be responsible for these additional fees and expenses.

Coach _____
(Date)

Parent _____
(Date)