



Cambrian Park Little League
Est. 1956
San Jose, CA

Draft Method - Approved 12/11/2025

The formation of teams is by a total redraft where no players from the previous season return to a particular team. The managers draw numbers to determine who will select the first player. It is a serpentine draft.

This method applies to the following divisions: AA, AAA, Majors, Juniors and Seniors.

All player candidates who are league age twelve (12) must be drafted to a Little League (Major) Division, Intermediate (50-70) Division (baseball), Junior League and/or a Senior League team(s) in accordance with Regulation IV(a).

Managers shall not select more than eight players in any given age group.

It is a requirement of eligibility for all player candidates to attend at least one of the tryout sessions so that managers of the league's teams can properly assess the ability of each player and give each player a proper grade based on ability. If a candidate cannot attend one of the tryouts, and provides an excuse which is acceptable to the board of directors, the candidate may be drafted and placed on a team. If the excuse is not acceptable according to the league's Board of Directors in consultation with the league's Player Agent, the child cannot play in the league for that season.

Options on Sons, Daughters, and Siblings

An option is an agreement between a manager and the player agent covering a special condition. The options are as follows:

1. Sons/Daughters of Managers

If a manager (and/or coach in AA division) has sons and/or daughters eligible for the draft, and wishes to draft them, he/she must notify the Player Agent prior to the first pick of the draft and exercise the option at or before the close of the specific draft round based on the sons/daughters league age. This option takes priority over any other option.

Note: These provisions also apply for managers having eligible brothers or sisters in the draft.

League Age and Draft Round Rules

When drafting the son and/or daughter of a manager (and/or coach in AA division), such candidate must be drafted in or before the following round:

Baseball						
Draft Round	AA	AAA	Majors	Intermediate	Junior	Senior
5	5-6	7-8	9-10	11	12	13-14
4	7	9	11	12	13	15
3	8	10	12	13	14	16
2	9	11				

Examples:

- A 10-year-old manager son/daughter in the AAA division must be drafted prior to the completion of the 3rd round.
- An 11-year-old manager son/daughter in the Majors division must be drafted prior to the completion of the 4th round.
- An 8-year-old coach son/daughter in the AA division must be drafted prior to the completion of the 3rd round.

2. Brothers/Sisters in the Draft

When there are two or more siblings in the draft, and the first brother or sister is drafted by a manager, that manager automatically has an option to draft the other brother or sister on the next turn. If the manager does not exercise the option, the second sibling is then available to be drafted by any team.

Ending the Draft

The draft ends when all eligible players for that division are selected to a team.

If during the last round of the draft there's an uneven number of players per team, the last pick belongs to the team that picked first overall, 2nd to last pick (if applicable) to the 2nd overall pick, 3rd to last, etc.

Trading

Once the draft is complete, a trade may be consummated.

The following restrictions apply:

- All trades must be player for player only. (Example: Two players from Team A could not be traded for one player on Team B.)
- Trades involving a player for draft choices are not permitted. (Example: A manager cannot trade his/her right to pick the third player overall for an existing player on another team.)

The player agent(s) must monitor any attempts by managers and parents to manipulate the system and thus create an imbalance in the league.

All trades must be for justifiable reasons and shall be made through and with the approval of the player agent.

All trades shall be made before exiting the draft room.

Secrecy

Players shall never be told the position in which they were drafted.

Announcement of Teams

Teams shall be announced only by the league.

Exceptions

Requests for exceptions to this process must be in writing and be submitted to the Player Agent and/or League President at least one week prior to the draft.

In the AA division only, a manager may request to be paired with another coach. The request must be in writing and be submitted to the Player Agent and/or League President at least one week prior to the draft.