2026 NNLL Baseball & Softball Assessment FAQs

All Baseball Ages 9 and above and Softball Ages 9 and above are draftable ages. If your child is League age 8, Assessments are OPTIONAL. If your player is League Age 7 or younger, **THEY SHOULD NOT ATTEND ASSESSMENTS** (click here to find YOUR CHILD'S league age) Any player wishing to be eligible for the player draft MUST attend one of two assessment dates. Any players that are not drafted will be placed on an age appropriate team. Managers will not have the option to draft a player that does not assess.

**In order for a player to assess, all documents must be uploaded to Sports Connect by Friday 1/9/25. Paper copies will not be accepted the day of.

Q: When are Assessments?
January 10th or 11th, 2025 - Players only need to attend one of the two days. A schedule will be posted as we get closer.

Q: What time are assessments?
A: Assessment times will be sent out via email, as well as posted online closer to the event date. Players will assess in their respective age group.

Q: Where do assessments take place?
A: North Natomas Regional Park (NNRP - 2501 New Market Drive).
-When you arrive you will check your player in and they will be directed to the appropriate dugout.
****Location may change due to field conditions**

Q: What should players bring?
A: Players should have their little league bat and glove. The league will have some available if needed.

Q: Why does my child need to attend assessments?
A: In order to be considered to play "up" or beyond the league age restrictive division, players must attend assessments.

Scenario A: BASEBALL League Age 11yo that did NOT play in the Majors Division in 2025 and does NOT ATTEND assessments on either of the above mentioned dates, will NOT be eligible to be drafted into the Majors Division and will be required to play in the AAA Division.
Scenario B: BASEBALL League Age 12 yo that PLAYED in the Majors Division in 2025, will be randomly placed on a Majors Division roster at the end of the draft.
Scenario C: SOFTBALL League age 10U, PLAYED in 12U SB and does NOT attend assessments will not be eligible to draft and will get automatically added to the next available 12U team at the end of the draft.

Q: How can I guarantee I get the Manager/Coach I want for my player?

A: There are no manager and/or coach requests for AA and up. The draft is for managers only, coaches are not determined until the draft and trades have been completed. At that point managers can select assistants, pending board approval.

Q: How can I guarantee that two or more of my children are on the same team?

A: NNLL and team/division managers are unable to guarantee the draft of siblings. You can designate them as such, by emailing the player agent prior to assessments.. However, in a draft situation, managers and NNLL are **not** required to draft siblings to the same team. By attending assessments, parents understand that any division AA and above, siblings may or may not be drafted to the same team.

Q: What happens at assessments?

A: Players are sent through various stations to test/view their abilities in the following categories:

- Hitting/Swinging a bat, and attitude regarding strikes, pitching errors, etc.
- Throwing - both short and long distance
- Fielding - both grounders and pop-fly balls

Q: Which documents are required?

A: Birth certificate and proof of residency. There are two options for proof of residency. These items must be uploaded to Sports Connect PRIOR to assessments. **Players that are unable to provide documentation will not be eligible to play in NNLL.**

- If your player attends school in NUSD you can use a School Enrollment Form with enrollment dated prior to 10/1/25
- If they do not attend school in NUSD you will need to provide documents from each of the 3 categories listed on the Proof of Residency Documents All documents must be dated between 2/1/25 and 2/1/26

GROUP ONE

1. Driver's License
2. School records
3. Vehicle records
   (i.e.,registration, lease, etc.)
4. Employment records
5. Insurance documents

GROUP TWO

1. Welfare/ child care records
2. Federal records
   (i.e. Federal Tax, Social Security, etc.)
3. State records
4. Local (municipal) records
5. Support payment records
6. Homeowner or tenant records
7. Military records

GROUP THREE

1. Voter's Registration
2. Utility bills
   (i.e., gas, electric, water/ sewer, phone, mobile phone, heating, waste disposal)
3. Financial records
   (i.e. loan, credit, investments, etc.)
4. Medical records
5. Internet, cable, or satellite records

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Q: Who do I contact with questions?

A: Baseball Player Agent (Melissa Dhanis): baseballagent@nnll.org
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