



2022 Assessments Saturday, September 11, 2021

0845 – 1015am: 14U (typically entering 8th grade)

1030 – 12pm: 13U (typically entering 7th grade)

1 – 230pm: 12U (typically entering 6th grade)

245 – 415pm: 11U (typically entering 5th grade)

430 – 6pm: 9 & 10U (typically entering 3rd grade (9U) and typically entering 4th grade (10U))

The assessment fee is \$50. This amount is carried over to your 2022 registration fee.

*to be considered at 9U it is recommended (but not required) players be entering the 3rd grade for the 2021-2022 school year. The RFYBO strives to keep players on teams within their peer group (in grade) but this may vary slightly each year based on players that come out. If it is not possible to form a 9U team, or your player is not otherwise rostered, you will receive a refund.

For NEW players eligible at the 9U and 10U level there will be an introduction to the assessment held on August 29, 2021 (First National Bank Field) 6-730pm. Parents are encouraged to attend to watch and meet with board members and coaches to learn more about traveling baseball.

* Players in their respective age groups must not reach the next age before May 1, 2021

The RFYBO typically offers teams at the A, AA-levels from 10-11U and A, AA, AAA-levels for 12U and up. The RFYBO strives to field an AAA, when possible, at each age group.

Skills Assessed:

- Hitting – front toss in batting cage and live hitting (coach pitch) on the field.
- Pitching
- Ground balls from shortstop – with throw to 1B
- Timed baserunning
- Fly balls – from a machine to keep the reps consistent for all players

Uniform for Assessment

1. Pants
2. Cleats, if you have them (cannot be metal until 13U)
3. Baseball hat
4. Bat and helmet (there will be some available)
5. Glove
6. Water bottle

What to expect from traveling baseball:

1. Open gyms/clinics opening in February (includes hitting and fielding and instruction for pitchers and catchers)
2. Regular season games beginning in May (competitive league and tournament play)
3. 2 games per week May – July 1
4. Practice(s) during the week as league schedule permits
5. 2-3 tournaments (typically one in River Falls)
6. State tournament in mid-July
7. Playoffs (single elimination, high seed hosts) begin the week before state tournaments
8. Registration costs for 2021 were \$300 (including the \$50 registration fee – there may be an increase for the 2022 season).
 - a. Uniform costs approximately \$80 (pants, socks, belt, jersey). RFYBO provides one jersey and hat. Players' purchase all other equipment
 - b. Bat \$100-\$200 new. Many players share bats – these are not provided by the RFYBO
 - c. Helmet \$30 - \$40 – the RFYBO does have helmets that can be used.