



Scottsdale Dirtbags

2021 High School Baseball Program



We are pleased to roll out our exciting plans for the upcoming 2021 season for all High School age players. The Dirtbags are run by Tim Esmay who brings over 20 years of experience as a head coach at the Division I and professional level. His staff of former college and professional coaches have been uniquely selected based on their ability to develop and mentor young athletes as they pursue their aspirations to play at the highest levels. Highlights of the 2021 program include:

- Mike Benjamin has joined the staff for the upcoming season and will be coaching the 2023 and 202x Black teams. Mike, a former ASU and professional standout, brings over a decade of experience coaching at the Division 1 and Professional Levels,
- Development focused program that will provide players with valuable training opportunities including membership to Dirtbag Ranch, located in the Scottsdale Airpark, where you can train at the 12,500 square foot facility including the 3,500 square foot Rize Sports Performance Center. The same training facility that the pro's train at during the offseason.
- No need to decide between High School and Dirtbag events, we will work with your High School schedule,
- Access to the nations premier showcases and tournaments including USA Team Championships West, PG World Series, and AZ Fall Classic,
- College advisement and access to the staff's extensive network of college and professional recruiters and scouts,

The Dirtbags are looking for players that are committed to the game and are serious about playing at the next level. If you want to spend this summer with players who share this commitment, please email me with your interest at timesmay@scottsdaldirtbags.com or register online at <https://scottsdaldirtbags.com/player-registration>.

Tim Esmay, General Manager & Executive Director





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Program Structure:

“For the 2021 season we have assembled one of the top coaching staffs in the country. My goal is to have an organizational based coaching staff with access and visibility to every player in the program. Our goal is to rotate our coaches so that every athlete has an opportunity to be coached and evaluated by the entire staff rather than just one coach. This gives me flexibility to receive evaluations from a group rather than an individual perspective, which will give our athletes not only more personal feedback but different feedback which can be relayed to college coaching staffs and professional scouts.” – Tim Esmay, Executive Director

- Annual Membership to the Dirtbags which provides each player with the following:
 - Usage of the 12,500 square foot Dirtbag Ranch for team and individual usage,
 - Structured weekly indoor and outdoor practices including opportunities to train with individual position experts.
 - All inclusive costs which covers membership and usage of Dirtbag Ranch,, coach fees, tournaments entry fees, equipment and practice fields for May through October. We will have an option for a full season (May-October), summer only (May-August), and fall only (August-October) to accommodate player needs. Costs will be adjusted based on the option chosen. Fees will be modified based on start date.
- White, Grey and Black Teams:
 - Training will be similar to High School and College level programs with some practices focused on individual positions and skills while other practices focus on team defense and situational baseball. Teams within the same graduating class will often train together to provide the most opportunity for movement within teams and to take advantage of the diverse skills of the coaching staff.
 - Players will be rostered based on a number of attributes including skill, team need, athletic ability, player availability, and opportunities to maximize playing time. We will work with the players request for a particular team and will likely have opportunities for players to play on multiple teams within the organization. We play on rostering up to 14 players per team in order to ensure we have enough players for all events.
 - The Black team will play a combination of local and national events and will compete against the top clubs in the country so tournament fees and budget will be consistent with this type of schedule.
 - The Grey and White teams will play mostly local tournaments and will play up to two to three tournaments per month in June, July, September and October.



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Fee Structure and Schedule for the Core Player Development Program:

The schedule below represents our proposed plan for Summer and Fall 2021. This should help players plan for the type of events we will be participating in. Note that we will likely have a few additional National events that we have been asked to participate in which will be budgeted separately.

Session	Summer		Fall	
Team	Black	Grey	Black	Grey
Age Groups	2022, 2023, 2024, & 2025			
Dates	May, June, July		Aug, Sept, Oct	
Practice Schedule	2x week (1 indoor and 1 field), Dirtbag Ranch unlimited drop in usage			
Membership	Full Memberships to Dirtbag Ranch with both team and drop in privileges			
# of Tournaments	5	5	4	4
Likely Events:	PG Memorial Day, PG West Select Championship, PG West World Series, USA Team Championships, PG WWBA West World Champ	Four Corners Classic, PG West Select Championship, PG West WS, Prospect Wire West World Series, Southwest Wood Bat	Prospect Wire Labor Day Classic, PG National Champ G-Form, Fall Classic, Wilson Premier Classic	Prospect Wire Labor Day Classic, PG National Champ G-Form, Easton Fall Classic, Southwest Wood Bat
Head Coach Assignments:	2022's Mike Benjamin, 2023 Black Mike Benjamin, 2023 Grey Kevin Riggs, 2024 Black Tim Esmay, 2024 Grey Chris Matzner, 2025 Black Paul Chavez, 2025 Grey Kevin Riggs			
Uniform Kit:	Included in Club Fee (2 Hats, 3 Shirts)			
All Inclusive Fee Structure:				
Club Fee	One time fee paid at roster acceptance (\$450)			
Session Fee*	\$1,500	\$1,300	\$1,400	\$1,300

** This is the all inclusive fee covering coach fees, Dirtbag Ranch monthly fee, tournaments, practice fields, equipment and uniforms. Additional events beyond the ones listed will require modifications to the fee structure.*



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Additional Player Opportunities:

In addition to the Core Player Development Program, players will have the option to further develop their skill sets and expand their exposure opportunities through the following:

- Train with **RIZE Sports Performance** at Dirtbag Ranch. Train along side the most elite athletes in the game including some the top players and prospects in MLB, College and High School including the #1 ranked prospects in the 2023, 2024 and 2025 classes (Perfect Game). See more at rizesportsperformance.com.
- Enroll in the Dirtbags enhanced **Prospect ID** program providing players with customized tools to expand the players exposure through social media, customized player YouTube page, skills video, personalized player evaluation, and unlimited support assisting with the recruiting process.
- Participate in the following **Showcase Team** opportunities which will feature some of the top players in the region participating in the following National Showcase events:
 - Perfect Game World Series at the BOOMBAH Sports Complex Sanford, FL (July 2021)
 - Perfect Game WWBA Freshman, Sophomore, Underclass World Championships, Florida (October 2021)
 - PBR National Championships 15U,16U and 17U, LakePoint Sports Complex, Emerson, GA, (June and July 2021)





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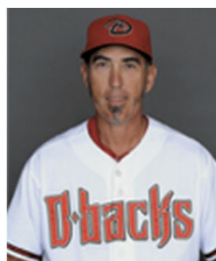


Staff Bios:



Tim Esmay, 2024 Black Head Coach and Club Exec. Director

- Chicago White Sox, Minor league Manager/Instructor 2015-2019
- Arizona State University, Head Coach, 2010-2014. 2010 College World Series. Assistant Coach 2005-2009
- University of Utah, Head Coach, 1997-2004
- Over 400 career wins at the D1 level
- Played at ASU, Scottsdale Community College, and Horizon HS.
- Email: Timesmay@scottsdale Dirtbags.com



Mike Benjamin, 2022/2023 Black Head Coach

- Division 1 College Baseball player at Arizona State.
- 13 years Major League Baseball Infielder (Giants, Red Sox, Phillies and Pirates)
- 5 years Assistant Coach Division 1 College Baseball at Arizona State
- 6 years Minor League Manager and Coach in Arizona Diamondbacks organization.



Kevin Riggs, 2023 Grey and 2025 Grey Head Coach

- Manager/Hitting Coach, 2008-2019 in Rockies, Pirates and Phillies organizations.
- 45 players coached (>1 year) on MLB rosters.
- Spent eight seasons in the minors and was selected to the All-Star Team four times.
- Standout player at East Carolina University, drafted by the Cincinnati Reds in 1990.
- USA Baseball 17U Coach
- Baseball Factory staff since 2007



Chris Matzner, 2024 Grey Head Coach

- 7 years of coaching high school baseball (4 in CA, 3 in AZ)
- 8 years of coaching competitive club baseball (ASAP Baseball Academy in CA, Santa Clarita Dirtbags in CA, Scottsdale Dirtbags in AZ)
- 4 years of college baseball at Cal State University of Los Angeles. 3- year captain. Team MVP Junior year. Two-time defensive player of the year. Four-time CCAA all academic team.
- Played at Valencia High School in California.



Paul Chavez, 2025 Black Head Coach and 2023 Black Assistant

- Co-Founder of the Scottsdale Dirtbags.
- Played collegiately at:
 - Cochise College JC in Douglas AZ.
 - Concordia University in Irvine, CA
- Has served as the Head Coach for the 2025 Black Team and 2023 Black team for the last five six years.
- Email: Paulchavez@scottsdale Dirtbags.com



Doug Newstrom, 2024 Assistant & Roving Instructor

- Spent eight seasons in the Dodgers, Rockies, White Sox, Orioles, and Diamondbacks organizations as a catcher and corner infielder.
- Drafted in the 7th round by Dodgers in 1993 after standing out at Arizona State where he earned multiple Pac-10 honors.
- Two-time HS state champion at Woodson High (VA) where he was named MD/DC/VA high school player of the year (1990).



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Scottsdale Dirtbags Strategic Partner - Rize Sports Performance located at Dirtbag Ranch. Contact Juan Sanchez for DB pricing at 480.518.3153

Led by Head Performance Coach, Juan Sanchez, CSCS/Pn1/TPI Certified, RIZE gives you individualized strength training programs based on thorough and methodical private self-assessments to enhance your sports performance and propel you to RIZE above the competition. RIZE private assessments are designed for every new athlete and are determined by your injury history, sport, position and demands of the sport, goals, physical structure and form.

Tailored strength and conditioning training programs for youth and adults of all sports, in private and semi-private (small group) settings
Expertise in creating functional assessments according to individual needs and sport focus
Nutrition support paired with the latest benefits in health and wellness provide holistic programs which help achieve sports performance goals
Specialization in youth and elite level baseball performance training
TPI Certified Strength and Conditioning Coach



RIZE BASEBALL PERFORMANCE

RIZE ABOVE or RIZE EVERYDAY service with a specific focus on baseball performance. Leverage over 10+ years of experience training MLB/MILB/NCAA and youth club athletes. Programs are focused on individual needs, including injury history, position, and personal goals. Metrics based programs with a Rapsodo are available. Gain a solid foundation for injury prevention and build baseball specific speed, power and strength. Also receive special invites to baseball clinics, arm-care programs and more. Season long package pricing available.