



## City of Broadview Heights Parks and Recreation Department

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# Information

## Broadview Heights Travel Baseball



### Who Can Play

- Broadview Heights fields teams in each age group beginning with 8U (8 and under) The age is the players age as of May 1<sup>st</sup> of the season.
- Teams usually have a roster of 11-12 players.
- Each player must try out to make the team. They will be evaluated on basic baseball skills, attitude and hustle.

### Games

- Games begin in late April and run through mid to late July. A team will typically play between 22 and 26 regular season games and possibly several tournaments.
- Our teams play against other local travel teams and baseball clubs. The furthest you would likely travel to a game would be Rocky River or Bay Village. Most games are against cities such as Brecksville, Strongsville, Hudson, etc.
- Games are played during the week and weekends, usually 2-3 games per week. They are 7 inning games and there is no time limit to the games. Most are completed however in 2 hours or so.
- Travel baseball games are played under High School baseball rules. With some slight modifications for the younger age groups. None of the Broadview Heights specific rules apply in this league.
- Many people have a misconception about travel baseball and the intensity with which games are played. Most coaches, our coaches included, understand that this is a game. It is supposed to be fun and a learning experience for the boys. Winning is not the number one goal. Development of their skills and a love for the game is our goal.
- Teams will encounter coaches and parents that take the game more seriously than it should be taken. But, you will also find that in recreational leagues as well.

### Practices

- Teams often begin practicing indoors once per week after January 1<sup>st</sup> with practices running up to the beginning of the season. Practice times and schedules will be determined by the coaches.
- As soon as weather allows, teams begin practicing outdoors. Usually early to mid April.

### Costs

- Costs will vary depending upon a number of factors such as number of tournaments played, type of uniform selected and indoor practice fees. Broadview Heights registration fees \$245 - \$255. Many teams offset the costs with fundraising.