



## BYB – 2022 League Divisions

**T-Ball** - designated for 6-year-old players. ~ No structure changes ~

**Rookie** - designated for 7-and 8-year-old players. ~ No structure changes ~

**AA** - designated for 9-year-old players. ~ See Below for Structure Change Details ~

**AAA**- designated for 9- and 10-year-old players; team placement is based on skills evaluation scores. ~ See Below for Structure Change Details ~

**Majors** - designated for 11- and 12-year-old players; team placement is based on skills evaluation scores. ~ See Below for Structure Change Details ~

**Travel Play** – designated for 9–12-year-old players wanting to play in travel division only. Players will need to complete all scheduled evaluations to be considered for a travel team.

*Note: Travel players will not play in league during the week with the exception of the 9-year-old travel team(s).* ~ See Below for Structure Change Details ~

***Division Placement is based on player age as of April 30th of the current season***

Complete overviews of each division can be found on the Bismarck Youth Baseball web site within the Division Info Section:

<http://bismarckyouthbaseball.org/site/>

## 2022 Division Structure Changes

**AA** - designated for 9-year-old players.

**The division will consist of 9-year-old players who choose not to try out for the AAA Division, and those who do not make the AAA through that division's tryout process.**

In the first half of the season, the division will use pitching machines, and in the second half of the season, the division will have players' pitch. There will be no walks in this division.

After four balls are thrown, the coach will pitch the remainder of the at-bat until the ball is put in play or the batter strikes out.

**AAA** – designated for 9–10-year-old players

**The division will consist of 9- and 10-year-old players – as further outlined below.**

The AAA Division will consist of all 10-year-old players, 9-year-old players that choose to tryout and are selected to participate, and the 9-year-old travel team(s). The 9-year-old travel team(s) will have the same roster for both league and travel, and they will have a different standard of player rules than the other league teams.

Note: The 9-year-old travel teams(s) are still able to play travel games during the week if they do not conflict with league play.

The 10-year-old travel team(s) will not participate in league play.

All players not on a 9-year-old travel team will be distributed evenly to teams according to their skills evaluation score.

**Majors** - designated for 11- and 12-year-old players

**The division will consist of 11- and 12-year-old players; team placement is based on skills evaluation scores.**

The 11- and 12-year-old travel team(s) will not participate in league. See below for more details.

**Travel - Bismarck Youth baseball will offer a travel program for ages 9 thru 12.**

A player must try out to participate on a travel team. A selection committee will evaluate all players to determine who makes the travel roster.

Players who make a travel team will not be placed on a league team. A player's travel team will be their only team. 9-Year-old travel team(s) will play in the BYB league – in the AAA Division, but their travel team will also be their league team. 9-year-old travel teams(s) can schedule other games on nights they do not have a league game scheduled.

Travel team coaches will finalize their team schedules along with start and end dates. Travel team schedules will consist of games during the week (home and away) with other out of town and in town travel teams - along with weekend tournaments.

Practices will be scheduled by the coaches. A typical travel season starts in March and goes through July with the opportunity to play in the Cal Ripken State Tournament. Travel teams also have the opportunity to advance onto regionals based on their finish at the state tournament.

Players that make a travel team will incur an additional fee. The additional fee will be based on the number of games and tournaments the specific travel team schedules (determined by the head coach of each team).

If your player tries out for a travel team and does not make the travel roster, they will be placed on a league team. League teams will have a competitive schedule with games and practices starting the week of May 23 and ending with a tournament the first week of August.