

Massapequa International Little League

Williamsport Tournament Softball Teams Selection Process

- I. Managers Meeting- Minors and Majors (held separately)
 - A. All managers will submit a list of the best suited players on his/her team regardless of age
The number of players listed will be as follows:
 1. In divisions with four teams or less, six players
 2. In divisions with five teams, five players
 3. In divisions with six or more teams, four players

Notes: Eight-year-olds are not considered for the "Minors" Williamsport Team

Major Division managers and MILL Board members (one of which will be the President or either Vice President of Softball or Baseball) will discuss any ten-year-old playing in the Major Division and assign votes (see below) accordingly
 - B. If a manager feels that he/she has any additional players that should be considered, they will raise that player's name and explain why she should be added
 - C. All interested players listed will be notified to attend a mandatory tryout
 - D. Managers will also list the total number of games played in by every player and be able to verify that number with his/her scorebook
 - E. The entire list of players will be openly discussed, then each manager will individually and confidentially, with MILL Board members (one of which will be the President or either Vice President of Softball or Baseball) list the thirteen players from the list that he/she feels are the best suited to make the tournament team
 - a. Major Division only-The thirteen players will be listed in order of preference from one to thirteen (one being the best)
 - F. Each player will receive one "vote" for each manager that names her on his/her thirteen-player list
 - G. Each vote will count as one tenth (1/10) point to be added to the player's final tryout score
 1. For example:
 - a. A player receiving an evaluated tryout score of 3.20, that receives three managers' votes, would have a final tryout score of 3.50

- H. A player will be considered to be on the tournament team (“locked”) when receiving votes as follows:
 - 1. Major Division- In a four or five team Major division, all managers have the same player listed in the top seven on their list of thirteen
 - 2. In a Major division with more than five teams, either all, or one less than the total number of teams, have the same player listed in their top seven out of thirteen
 - 3. Minor Division-In a four or five team Minor division, all managers have the same player listed on their list of thirteen
 - 4. In a Minor division with more than five teams, either all, or one less than the total number of teams, have the same player listed on their list of thirteen
 - I. These “locks” will remain confidential and be required to participate in the mandatory tryout
- II. Tryout
- A. Any player that does not attend the tryout will not be considered for the tournament team unless the MILL Executive Board accepts the reason for absence and allows for an additional tryout for that player. Every attempt will be made to have the same evaluators as the original tryout
 - B. The tryout evaluators will be individuals who are not connected or affiliated with any of the players on the field
 - C. The tryout scores will be compiled by no less than three (3) MILL Board members, one of which will be the President or either Vice President of Softball or Baseball.
 - D. Any Board member with a player being considered for the tournament team will not be allowed to participate in the tryout or the tryout scoring
 - E. Once the scores are completed the players with the highest scores will be selected to the tournament team
 - F. The number of players selected for each team will be determined by the MILL Board after receiving input from the team manager on their desired number of players on the team
 - G. The Williamsport team manager will be awarded one player selection as follows:
 - 1. For: example, if the team will have twelve players, the first eleven players will be selected as above, and the manager will select the twelfth player.
 - 2. If the manager selected player is within the three next highest tryout scores that player will be added to the team
 - 3. If the manager selected player is not among the three next highest tryout scores the manager will have to justify the player selected. The player selected will be reviewed by the MILL Executive Board to determine if the player will be added to the team.
 - 4. If the player is rejected the manager will be asked to select another player and that player will be discussed as above

- III. Calls
 - A. The Division Vice President will make calls to invite players to the tryout
 - B. He/she will inform the parents of the expected time frame of the tournament, as accurately as possible, with the information on hand at the time
 - C. In addition to any previous MILL meetings with interested parents, the Division Vice President will explain the commitments of the Williamsport Tournament team and ensure that the parents understand them.
 - D. Parents will later be asked to read and sign a copy of the Massapequa International Little League's "Williamsport Tournament Team Guidelines" which are shown below as "Attachment A"
- IV. Williamsport Tournament Team Manager Selection Process
 - A. See "Attachment B" below

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