



2023 Oshkosh Youth Baseball 9U Team

Oshkosh Youth Baseball (OYB) is committed to advancing the skills of Oshkosh youth. Youth sports help develop a variety of skills and characteristics such as teamwork, leadership, sportsmanship, resilience, honesty, and integrity to name a few. These skills and characteristics prepare our youth for future success.

The 9u age group is looking to add 4 - 6 players to the OYB program. Currently, we have two teams of 10 players and would be looking to add two or three to each team. Players eligible to join this age group cannot turn 10 prior May 1, 2023.

In the event you are interested, here would be your next steps:

1. Continue reading below to understand the commitment to joining OYB
2. Please contact Coach Last and Coach Koontz at oyboshkosh@gmail.com.
 - a. As a result of this contact, Coaches will setup a time for a phone call to answer any questions or provide any further information
3. Setup a time in February to come in for a tryout to 360u - Oshkosh.

Player Expenses

- OYB registration fee: 2023 fee is \$125
- Uniform cost is approximately \$125 (goal is to fundraise for this expense)
- Personal Equipment (e.g. cleats, helmet, glove, etc.)
- Food and Travel expenses for tournaments

2023 Team Structure

Based on the number of players who tried out, we will have two teams for the 2023 season. Details on how the 2 teams will be determined has yet to be decided. However, the plan is to hold practices over the next month or so at 360u - Oshkosh and then as a coaching staff, we would determine what the teams will look like as we head into the 2023 season.

2023 Tournament Season

Each team will play 6 - 8 weekends in 2023. We'll begin weekend tournament play in May and will end in July most likely. The tournament locations will generally be within a 60-minute drive. We will also be hosting a tournament in Oshkosh. Volunteers will be necessary to support a successful tournament. The proceeds from the tournament help cover team tournament fees and equipment needs.

Practices

- Optional Indoor Training: Winter 2023: 1 every other week at 360u - Oshkosh
- Winter 2023/ Spring 2023 (indoors): 1 per week starting in late February/March (pending other sport conflicts and gym availability).
- Spring/Summer 2023: On field starting in late April weather permitting. We'll practice twice per week once we are able to get on the field with good weather. We understand that there will be occasional absences or late arrivals/early departures due to other commitments. All we ask is that you communicate early and often with any conflicts so our team can plan ahead (for scrimmage and tournament planning especially)

Fundraising

We will hold at least one fundraiser in the fall/winter. All players are expected to participate to help fund our tournament fees and other team needs. We also encourage corporate sponsorship so if you are aware of a company that may support youth athletics, that is another great fundraiser for the team. The funds raised with fundraising are put right back into the team. These funds are used for Tournament Entry Fees, Equipment, Team Administrative Costs, End of Year Get Together, and offset Uniform Cost. For 2022, fundraising covered the entire cost of a uniform (Hat, 2 jersey tops, baseball pants, belt, and socks).

For more information on OYB, click the link below or visit [Oshkosh Youth Baseball Website](#).
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Thank you,
Coach Last and Coach Koontz