



## Weekend Youth Baseball FAQ

What is CYO/MYB

- A 501 c 3 nonprofit parents volunteer youth baseball program that puts teaching baseball correctly before the win in the game.

Do you have professional coaches?

- Yes we have a staff of professional coaches who run our pre-game clinics and also act as teaching umpires during games. These same coaches work in the After School programs and Manage Travel Teams.

Is Uptown Athletic Club and CYO partners?

- Uptown Athletic Club and Manhattan Youth Baseball have merged and are under the corporate heading of Manhattan Athletics for After School and Travel Teams.
- CYO/MYB is a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization house baseball program that supports athletes and students to learn life lessons thru baseball.

Do both parents need to volunteer?

- No, only 1 parent per family needs to do some job to help the league run.

Where are games played?

- The Spring season games are played on Randalls Island, Sunken Meadow and Central Park, Great Lawn. Location is determined by grade of player.
- The Fall season games are played on Randalls Island, Sunken Meadow fields only.

Where would my child play?

- Currently PK – 3 play on Randalls and 4-HS play in Central Park in the Spring.

What day of the week do you play?

Depending on the age of your child games are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

- Spring Saturday on Randalls, Pre-K thru 3grade
- Spring Great Lawn Saturday, 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade & High School
- Spring Great Lawn Sunday, Pre-K, K, and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Fall Saturday on Randalls Pre-K thru 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Fall Saturday NYC, High School

When are games played?

- Game times are rotated thru out the day so that an age group division will work with the same Instructors all season.
- Typically an age group will be assigned to a field with games at 9am, 11am and 1pm with a pre-game clinic schedule before each game time.

Do I have to attend the clinic?

- 90% percent of what your child will learn about baseball comes from practice either with his team during the week and in the pre-game clinic.

How are teams made up? Can I request to be with my friends?

- We do our best to create teams of even player strength, placing 3 players of each of the 4 categories on the same team (Excellent, Very Good, Good and needs help)



- No team can have more than 4 players from the same school and a drafted team may not have more than 6 players from the previous year team i.e. 4 friends who played together in 2010 on team 1B and all go to school at PS 123; in the draft the manager can only draft 2 more players from the 2010 1B team and none of them can go to PS 123. We will only waive this in the instance that there is only 1 player left in the entire division that goes to PS 123.
- You can request to be placed on a friend's team and we will do the best we can to grant your request. Players in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up; friend requests will be acknowledged but it is not a criteria for creating a team.

What are the different Parent Volunteer jobs and their responsibilities?

**MANAGER: (Head Coach)**

The focal point of the team. Enforce league rules of play. Must attend rules meeting, drafts for appropriate age groups, winter coaching clinic and Uniform Day. Will be supported by two Asst. Coaches and two team parents. Teaching game is the main objective.

**Coach: An Assistant**

Three Coaches per team. Following through on league rules. Supporting the Managers game plan implementation. Must attend rules meeting and winter coaching clinic.

Between Manager and 3 coaches it would be great for team to be able to practice once a week outside of league game day.

**Team Parent:**

Coordinate efforts and information between League and team. Organize distribution of uniforms, photos, and flyers. Create a team phone tree for communication of changes and a snack schedule for the team.

**Field:**

- Bases and pitching machine are delivered and pick-up at the field by league.
- Working in conjunction with opposing team Field person to either set up playing field or break it down.
- Bases and other items after game day are picked up and assembled neatly for pick-up at the field.

**Score Keeper:**

- Keep score at game.

**Uniform Day**

A three hour shift working one of the stations for uniform distribution on Uniform Day.

**Sponsorship:**

Sponsor a team for \$1,500 will act as your parent job and allow you to put company name on team shirt.

At what age do you start travel teams?

- We have tryouts in June of the year preceding your child going into 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. That fall those 2<sup>nd</sup> graders or 8U play in a Travel Training House Instructional league. From those 4 teams we select 2 teams to play in an 8U league.