

GYB Player Evaluation and Draft Policy

Drafts are held to equalize teams for competition. While drafts do not always accomplish this, our goal is to divide GYB teams as evenly as possible by ability and ages.

These draft procedures must be adhered to for all GYB Competitive Leagues having more than one team in any given age-group. Instructional Leagues will draft teams, but will not be required to hold tryouts/evaluations.

I. Eligibility

□ All players must attend Fort Lewis Elementary, Glenvar Elementary, Mason Cove Elementary, Glenvar Middle School, Glenvar High School, or live in the Glenvar School District of Roanoke County

II. Composition of Teams

□ GYB policy requires that for all GYB competitive leagues having more than one team in any given age-group will hold a draft of all new players for that given age group. A player is considered to be officially a member of a team as soon as the team or organization formation process is complete. The following season all returning players automatically return to the team he was on the previous season as long as he is in the same age group.

An exception would be when GYB goes from one team from the previous year to multiple teams (two or more). In this case all players will go through the draft process regardless if they are returning players or new players in the league.

Another exception can be made if all the coaches, sport coordinator, and/or board members decide to have all the teams in a league redrafted in the best interest of balance and fairness between the teams.

For those players that have three or more years of eligibility in a league that have sat out a year would still return to the roster of the team or organization he was on two years earlier.

III. Tryouts/Player Evaluation

A. Players entering a new league will be gathered for approximately 1 hour for the purpose of demonstrating their skill and ability to perform the fundamentals of the sport, allowing coaches to observe and evaluate

B. The date & time of tryouts will be announced with a minimum of 2 mass emails. Starting at least 2 weeks prior to the evaluation date

C. All Players in the evaluation will be given pin-on numbers to wear for identification. Coaches will receive a listing of all the participants' names with their ages along with the numbers they have been assigned to wear

D. Head Coaches Children will be considered as the coaches' first pick of the draft unless the coach request the player to be graded by the Sport coordinator and assigned a draft round. The Sport Coordinator should grade the player favoring the highest pick.

E. There will be no protection of assistant coaches' children in the draft; they will need to be drafted before they can join a team.

A special request may be made for an assistant coach before the draft begins, if one coach objects than the special request is denied without discussion.

IV. Draft

A. Draft Management

1. The draft will be managed by the Sport Coordinator whenever possible. In the event the Sport Coordinator is also coaching a team in the league being drafted, or is otherwise unavailable, a Draft Manager will be appointed by the Sport Coordinator or the highest ranking board member present in the event of absence of Sport Coordinator. If any team is not represented at the draft then the Sport Coordinator shall draft the team or appoint an unbiased and qualified person to draft the team.

2. Whenever possible, the draft should take place immediately following the player evaluation. If it is not possible to draft immediately following the conclusion of the evaluation period, the draft should be scheduled at the earliest available time that can be agreed upon

3. If two or more siblings are entering the same draft then the second sibling is automatically drafted in the next round after the first sibling is picked.

4. Only Head coaches and assistant coaches who are returning or have no children in the draft are allowed in the draft room.

5. Teams with the fewest number of returning players will be given bonus picks in order to assure balanced team rosters when the draft is complete in basketball these bonus selections will begin at the end of the second round. In Baseball, Softball, Football, and Soccer these bonus selections will begin at the end of the third round.

When there is more than one team involved in bonus selections, they will choose according to the previous year's inverted win/loss records.

Any Head coach without a child (or any other protected player) will receive a bonus pick in the first or second round as follows:

1. At the end of the first round, when there are 6 teams or less involved, they will pick before any other bonus picks. The bonus pick will be counted as their last pick of the draft.
2. If the Head coach has an expansion team, they will receive a second round pick counted as his or her last pick of the draft.

In the event, a head coach has more than one child eligible to play on his/her team, one of the children will automatically become the first pick of the draft unless rerated by the Sport coordinator. The other child will become the next pick after the first child unless rerated by the Sport coordinator.

When a head coach flip-flops his coaching status with his assistant coach or another person with his child or a protected player still on his team, the new coaches son or daughter will be evaluated as to which round he/she will be drafted by the sports director. The new player will count as a protected player until he/she ages off the team. If both players are already on the same team and both are returning, there will be no bonus pick for the new coach.

Whenever an expansion team(s) has to be established, they will have a selection at the beginning and at the end of each round, except for the 2nd round until the expansion team has an equal number of players as the other teams. IF there is more than one expansion team, a coin flip will determine who selects 1st in the 1st round. The loser of the coin flip will then pick first in the 2nd, 4th, etc, rounds (if there were only two expansion teams.) With three new teams, the winner picks 1st in the 1st, 4th, 7th, etc. rounds, with the losers picking in the 2nd, 5th, etc. or 3rd, 6th etc.

6. Whenever there are insufficient players to support the number of teams previously in that league, a certain number of teams will be disbanded with the returning players reentering the draft. The criteria for disbanding teams will be as follows:

1. Teams without head coaches
2. Seniority in that sport or like sport (i.e. girls and boys) meaning head and participating assistant coaches with the least seniority will be the 1st to go.
3. The Sport Coordinator will eliminate the weakest teams considering returning rosters.

7. If a new coach happens to be the parent of a player on another team in that league, the old team will be compensated for the loss of the player (who will automatically go to his/her parent's team) as follows:

1. The Sport Coordinator evaluates the ability level of the coach's child moving and equate it to a round pick in the draft
2. The team losing the player will then receive a bonus pick, at the end of the agreed round as compensation.

For the straight trading of players between teams, it must be approved by two-thirds majority of all head coaches and the Sport coordinator immediately following the draft and involve only newly drafted players that have not been advised of their team assignment with the subsequent results passed on to the director.

B. Draft Picks

Draft Order: If the same or a lesser number of teams return from the previous year then the inverse order of last year's won/lost record will determine the draft order. Each round will follow the same order. If expansion teams have been added they will draft first with the other teams drafting in the inverse order of last year's regular season won/lost record.

If drafting two or more teams when in the previous year we had only one team than the draft order will be decided by blind draws. The teams will draft in abbaabb... order when two teams are being drafted. If three teams are being drafted it will go abccbaabcc... Any bonus picks due are to be inserted where designated by rule. However no team shall be made to have the last two picks of the draft therefore a team with the last two picks has the option of passing the last pick to the next drafting team.

1. Coaches may pick from any available eligible player in the draft with the exception of the other head coaches' children.
2. Coaches are NOT required to choose from available players of the higher age group prior to drafting players in the lower age group
 - a. Coaches are encouraged to draft based primarily according to Skill/ability rather than age
 - b. Roanoke County monitors team composition by age, and does reserve the right to require a re-draft if they feel that teams have too many players of the same age
3. Players in the draft who fail to attend the tryout/evaluation session will be available to be drafted by name only in the first round. After that all "No Shows" will be placed in a pool and will be selected by blind drawings. The "NO Shows" should be separated by ages to ensure coaches are able to pick by age group to balance their teams. A coach may elect to draw a "No Show" during any round of the draft.

The coaches and Sport coordinator should share all known knowledge of the (no-shows) to ensure draft is as fair as possible to all teams. If every drafting team and the Sport Coordinator agree that they are familiar with all of the "No Shows" then this rule can be waived and every player may be drafted regardless of attendance at the tryout/evaluation session.

4. Coaches' children who are assigned a draft round must be picked no later in the draft than the round they have been assigned

5. Coaches not requesting evaluation and round-assignment from the Sport Coordinator will be required to draft their own son/daughter in the 1st round

V. Hardship & Transportation Problems

A. Special requests for placement on a specific team must be submitted at the time of registration (no exceptions)

B. All such requests must come from Parents at registration and will be made known to all drafting coaches but the coaches are not bound by the request.

VI. Late Registrations

A. Prior to the start of practices, a supplemental draft will be held for the drafting of all players who registered after the evaluation and draft date (if necessary).

1. Picking order will remain the same order as in the original draft

2. The supplemental draft may be conducted by the sport coordinator via email or a conference call

3. Any player who registers after the supplemental draft will be placed on the team having the fewest players. In the event all teams have an equal number of players, the player will be placed on the team having the next turn in the picking order

Baseball balancing ages on teams:

The teams' structure will conform to Dixie baseball rules. For example, in Dixie major baseball teams can have no more than eight 12 year olds on a team. Before each draft limits must be set as to how many of each age can be selected on each team by the Sport coordinator.

Instructional Soccer U7 & U8: Coordinator has the option of assigning teams

U10 Soccer: No tryouts. GYB draft rules will be followed otherwise

GYB Instructional Leagues

Boys

Girls

Basketball 7-8 Instructional

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Baseball 6-7 T Ball

7-8 Coach Pitch

Softball

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6-8

Football 6 -7 Biddy League

GYB Competitive Leagues

Boys Girls

Basketball

9-10 Peewee

9-10 Pigtail

11-12 Little

11-12 Ponytail

13-14 Junior

13-14 Shag

15-18 Senior

Baseball

9 -10 Minor

11-12 Major

15-16 Dixie Pre Majors

17-18 Dixie Majors

Softball

9-10

11-12

13-14

15-18

Football

7-8 Peewee

9-10 Little

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11-13 Junior