

MUSTANG BASEBALL ACADEMY



8U through 14 U Tryouts
July 11, 12, & 13 (13th Call Backs)
EPCHS Varsity Fields
9901 S. Kedzie



July 11 8U 9:00 - 11:00
July 11 9U 11:00 - 1:00
July 11 11U & 12U 1:00 - 3:00
July 11 13U & 14 U 3:00 - 5:00

July 12 8U 9:00 - 11:00
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- Newly restructured for the 2023-24 season
- Highly competitive teams!
- Elite schedule
- Proven player development
- Paid coaching staff & professional instruction
- Quality caring coaching staff
- Community-based program
- Elite indoor and outdoor baseball facilities





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Once on 8to18 click on sign up and scroll down to select MBA.

Dear Evergreen Park Youth Baseball Parents,

The Mustang Baseball Academy is excited to announce that it is has restructured the program and is starting our fourth season! Teams have been working out since late November and are ready to really kick it into high gear with team practices starting every Sunday, along with hitting and pitching workouts during the week in January. New this year teams are moving to full-time travel and our families are looking forward to playing even more competitive games.





Our facility is based out of the Evergreen Park High School Sports Complex and is an incredible place for our youth players to work on their game. This partnership allows the MBA Staff of college and high school coaches to partner with youth coaches to create a direct feeder program for the EPCHS Baseball Program. Very few local villages have this opportunity for their youth ballplayers. Quality instruction in an incredible 210' by 150' indoor facility that houses two full infields and 3 drop down batting cages.

We have already seen this relationship pay dividends for our varsity team as three former MBA players contributed this past Spring. Grady Elwood '24 finished with a 9-1 record; 9 wins placed in 3rd in wins in the entire state of 3A teams. Billy Duffner, Caleb Keyser, Michael Rodriguez & Rowan Smyth from the class of 2025 all played key roles in helping the Mustangs win a Conference Championship and accumulate 24 wins, the most in school history. Next year we expect to see even more former MBA players contribute to the high school program's success. We would love for your son to be a part of this program!

Sincerely,

**Coach Massey
Coach Smyth
MBA Staff**





Mustang Baseball Academy FAQ Sheet

What is the goal of the Mustang Baseball Academy?

Our goal is to develop a love of the game of baseball in all of our players in a positive environment. We will focus on development over wins and losses. Our "WIN" is that each one of our players reaches their full potential. Our staff has years of experience and we know that quality instruction with the proper enthusiasm and support will help all of our players succeed.

Where do games and practices take place?

Practices and games will take place at the following facilities. The Evergreen Park Community High School Sports Complex (2700 w. 91st St.); 210' by 150' indoor turf facility with two infields and three drop down batting cages. We will also utilize the new baseball fields at Evergreen Park Community High School.

What will the season look like?

Beginning in January, team practices will run on Sundays with small group work taking during the week. Games typically begin late March with the season concluding Mid-July.





How many games will an M.B.A. player play in the summer?

MBA players will play anywhere from 20-25 travel league games plus 3 tournaments up through the age of 12u. 13u and 14u players will play a 35 - 40 game schedule and enter anywhere from 4 to 6 tournaments. Tournaments can be out of town in such places as Wisconsin Dells, Indianapolis, Cooperstown, Myrtle Beach, or Omaha based on interest from each individual team. Individual teams will create their own schedules and tournaments which will affect the total cost of playing in MBA. Teams will play close to 50 games.

How will the teams be broken up and divided?

Each team will be composed of 11 or 12 players. Teams will be chosen after our tryouts and evaluations held in July. Our focus is to lock in the best players from Evergreen Park to form one competitive and driven team at each age group that will compete with top programs throughout the southland.

Who will coach each team?

Academy coaches will work with your player during all pre-season sessions (instructing all players through the winter preseason workouts). Game coaches will be selected for each team based on availability and experience. Parent coaches are encouraged at the

younger levels (8u through 12u). Academy coaches and parent coaches will form a strong bond to continue the proper teaching of fundamentals to all players throughout the regular season and tournament schedule.





Who can participate in the M.B.A.?

All youngsters who reside in Evergreen Park will have first priority roster consideration. New for 2024 the Academy will field teams from 8u through 14u.

What is the cost?

MBA cost will vary depending on age group, as well as number and location of tournaments. MBA costs will be considerably less than other programs due to the partnership with the high school and you will not have to travel outside of the community to have access to top-notch indoor and outdoor facilities.

Questions?

Please contact Andrew Massey @ amassey@evergreenpark.org or Mark Smyth @ msmyth@evergreenpark.org.

