

GRB North 2023-2024 Information

Travel Teams (10u-17u)

PROGRAM OUTLINE

10U

- Instructional team practice twice a week Dec-Mid April (Includes Hitting, Pitching, Defense, Throwing, mental game, and learning the game baseball)
- Two hour and half team practices
- One team outdoor practice mid-April thru July.
- Play in 10 tournaments April-July (Possible Indoor Winter Tournament)
- Player 12-month membership card to use the indoor facility for individual training.

11U/12U

- Instructional team practice two times a week Dec-Mid April (Includes Hitting, Pitching, Defense, Throwing, Mental game, and learning the game of baseball)
- One team outdoor practice mid-April thru July.
- Play in 10 tournaments April-July (Possible Indoor Winter Tournament)
- Player 12-month membership card to use the indoor facility for individual training.

13U/14U

- Two hours weekly hitting instruction and two hours' weekly arm care training December thru mid-March. Training offered 5 days a week for scheduling flexibility.
- One team indoor practice per week December thru mid-March.
- One team outdoor practice mid-March thru July.
- Play in 10 tournaments April-July (Possible Indoor Winter Tournament)
- Player 12-month membership card to use the indoor facility for individual training.

15U/16U/17U

- Two hours weekly hitting instruction and two hours' arm care training December thru mid-March. Training offered 7 days a week for scheduling flexibility.
- One team indoor practice per week December thru mid-March.
- Mid-March thru end of May break for high school season.
- Play in 6 showcase tournaments June-July.
- Player 12-month membership card to use the indoor facility for individual training.
- GRB Recruiting Video (Includes 60 time, hitting video, pitching video, and fielding video)

DISCOUNTED TEAM APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT PRICING

GRB features Rawlings, Wilson, Nike, Louisville Slugger, DeMarini, Marucci and Easton apparel and equipment. GRB Rays players and families will receive discounted team apparel and equipment pricing.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYER ONLINE PROFILE

- The GRB Rays have individual player profiles for all players within their program on the brand new Rays team page. All high school players from the 15U - 17U age groups will have detailed player information (statistical information, academic information and contact information) along with videos used for recruiting purposes.

- Each year, the Rays coaching staff sends out scouting reports to college coaches in the country at all levels with detailed information on each player. These player profiles will be included in the scouting report to allow college coaches direct access to see all of our players at the click of a button.
- We feel these individual player profiles will provide a great value to all players when it comes to recruiting. With the fluid NCAA recruiting rules, player recruiting videos are becoming increasingly important to player exposure.
- In 2021 and 2022, Rays players videos and player profiles had over 1 million impressions and views via YouTube and the Rays website, offering an unmatched level of exposure for our players.

MISSION AND RECRUITING

- Our mission is to develop and give our players the opportunity to play baseball collegiately. We do this by offering some of the best baseball training programs in the Midwest paired with our coaching staff to ensure our goal of fundamental development.

RECRUITING

- The recruiting cycle can be a very stressful time for players and we are going to do everything we can to make this process as easy and stress free as possible. We are going to have personal communication with each player talking them through the process and helping them reach out to college coaches.
- Some of the things we offer will consist of a sit-down meeting with the athlete, and the parents, to determine where help is needed. This customization will allow the athlete to have an active voice in planning of which schools to target. Criteria areas that are looked at in schools for the athlete, are college course work, student life, fit for athletic ability and coaching staff. Some of the services available are listed below. Recommendations on camps and showcases will also be provided.
 - Recruitment Videos
 - Sample letters and guidelines to help you get started
 - Calls to Coaches on your behalf (Where your talent level matches)
 - Q & A Sessions to help take the stress out of the recruitment process
 - Fieldlevel account Managed by Velocity/GRB North

Overall the athletes need to have the right fit and we are going to work tirelessly with the athlete and parents to find the right place for them to attend college. We are going to take pride in making this process as smooth as possible and allowing our athlete's hard work take them to the next level.

PROGRAM COSTS

*** Acceptance to the team is required within 3 days of GRB North invite being sent out**

10U

- \$2450 Includes uniform jersey/hat and all training, practices, and tournaments listed above. Does not include weekend travel and hotel costs.
- \$450 non-refundable down payment is due within 5 days of invite to the team.
- Remaining \$2000 will be paid automatically in 8 monthly installments of \$250. Payments will be paid the 1st of the months September through April.

11U/12U

- \$2850. Includes uniform jersey/hat and all training, practices, and tournaments listed above. Does not include weekend travel and hotel costs.
- \$450 non-refundable down payment is due within 5 days of invite to the team.

- Remaining \$2400 will be paid automatically in 8 monthly installments of \$275. Payments will be paid the 1st of the months September through April.

13U/14U

- \$3200. Includes uniform jersey/hat and all training, practices, and tournaments listed above. Does not include weekend travel and hotel costs.
- \$450 non-refundable down payment is due within 5 days of invite to the team.
- Remaining \$2750 will be paid automatically in 8 monthly installments of \$343.75. Payments will be paid the 1st of the months September through April.

15U/16U/17U

- \$3400. Includes uniform jersey/hat and all training, practices, and tournaments listed above. Does not include weekend travel and hotel costs.
- \$450 non-refundable down payment is due within 5 days of invite to the team.
- Remaining \$2950 will be paid automatically in 8 monthly installments of \$368.75. Payments will be paid the 1st of the months September through April.

MAIN TRAINING AND OPERATIONS STAFF

- **Mike Collins**
 - o Owner Velocity Baseball Training (www.trainwithvelocity.com/)
- **Paul Wagner**
 - o One of the top hitting instructors in the Midwest, ASA Hall of Famer, St. Norbert's College Hitting Coach, Former Baseball/Softball Facility Owner for 7 years, 20+ years as a hitting instructor, has worked with hundreds of players in NE Wisconsin who have gone on to play collegiately. Rapsodo and Driveline Hitting Foundations Certified.
 - o Son Max was 42nd Pick in 2022 MLB Draft by the Baltimore Orioles.
- **Jack Collins**
 - o LHP Central Michigan University D1, All Bay Conference Pitcher 2014, All Bay Conference Hitter 2015, 2 time Academic All Mid-American Conference Selection, Northwoods League Alumni, Rapsodo Pitching Certified.
- **Grant Frazer**
 - o RHP/SS Central Michigan University D1, Packerland Conference POY, 2nd Team all-MAC Relief Pitcher, College career 2.54 ERA, Northwoods League Alumni, Rapsodo Pitching Certified.
- **Austen Dart**
 - o OF/1B Concordia University Wisconsin, All-NACC OF, lead team in Doubles, HR, and RBI's. All Packerland Conference 1B. Northwoods League Alumni, Rapsodo Hitting Certified.

FAQ

Is training Included in the cost of the teams?

Yes, the training includes a 2 hour a week explosive hitting class and a 2 hour a week Arm Care/Throwing/Pitching class depending on your position. This is for ages 13u-17u

What are some of the possible tournament locations involved with the Travel Ball teams?

The tournament schedule will be set in January of the upcoming year, but possible locations are listed below

15U-17U – Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri

13U-14U – Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana

10U-12U - Wisconsin, Illinois

What will be the Student to instructor ratio?

Training classes will be 6-1 ratio player to instructor. Private lessons are no more than a 4 to 1 ratio.

When will team practices take place?

Team practices will be on Saturday and Sundays. This is to provide flexibility for families and players playing other sports. These practices are different from the Explosive hitting and Arm care classes that are included in the team fees.

When will the Arm Care/Throwing, and Explosive hitting workouts be offered?

Arm Care/Throwing, and Explosive hitting workouts will be offered on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday mornings and Sunday nights. This will offer flexibility for students playing winter sports. If you are unable to attend one day, the flexibility allows you to attend a different day.

How is the age of teams determined?

Teams will be decided by graduation year. 10U (2032 Grads) , 11U (2031 Grads), 12U (2030 Grads), 13U (2029 Grads), 14U (2028 Grads), 15U (2027 Grads), 16U (2026 Grads), 17U (2025 Grads).

How many players per roster?

These numbers can vary, typically we are always on the lower side of these numbers, this makes it very easy for our coaches to set lineups and make sure the players on our teams are getting lots of playing time throughout the summer.

10u-12u – 11-12 Players

13u-14u – 12-14 Players

15u-17u – 12-15 Players

Do I need to play on your travel team to train at Velocity/GRB North?

No, we believe in helping everyone achieve their dreams and goals.

Do you offer assistance to those who may be in a financial hardship?

This is a case by case basis but if we feel that you are in a true financial hardship we will work with you on cost of the teams or setting up different payment plans. We believe everyone should have the opportunity to play and train with us and will do anything we can to help out.

Do you guys offer a practice player option?

Yes, we do offer a practice player option for our teams. Included in the practice player option is everything that the full time players get minus the summer tournaments. A lot of the time our practice players want to join on and try to make the team throughout the winter months. This has been a great option and we have had quite a few kids prove to us that they belong on the team and have been offered summer roster spots. Cost for practice player is \$2000.