## Beth - Wood Baseball League



## BETH - WOOD BASEBALL LEAGUE 2026 POLICY 6 - YEAR OLDS IN ROOKIES

In a concerted effort to retain Players within our League, the Board of Directors of the **Beth** - **Wood Baseball League** has adopted the following policy that will allow 6 - year olds additional opportunities to play up in the Rookies Division (with children ages 7 & 8), a flexibility that should be an enhancement to our League:

Any and all 6 - year olds (who will be a baseball 6 - year old as of **April 30**, 2026 - Cal Ripken age cut off date) will be eligible to try out for the Rookies. This will be a <u>VOLUNTARY</u> option given to all 6's who register with **Beth - Wood Baseball**.

If Parents express an interest in having their children try out for the Rookies, be advised the following provisos shall be in effect:

- 1. Parents must register their children in the Tee Ball Division but may opt to have them voluntarily participate in the Rookies Try-Outs to determine if they have the ability to play up in the Rookies Division.
- 2. The designated Managers of the Rookies will perform Player evaluations of those 6's who participate in the Try-Outs and shall mutually determine a final list of those 6- year olds who are capable of playing up prior to the Rookies "draft".
- 3. Note that if your child played up in Rookies this past Fall as an 6- year old, please understand this does NOT guarantee your child will be playing up in Rookies this Spring! It will be up to the determination of the Rookies Commissioners / Managers to ascertain their ability.
- Predicated on these evaluations and Manager's determinations, all 6 year olds
  who are deemed capable of playing up will then be placed on a list to be drafted
  on to Rookies Teams.
- 5. Parents of eligible 6 year olds will have until the second week in March following Player Screenings to make a final determination whether or not to allow their children to be drafted up. Once the Teams are drafted, these Players shall remain in the Rookies.
- 6. Our Board recognizes this policy change provides the competitive opportunity some Players and Parents have desired and qualify for but decisions should be made carefully to ensure success for the Player at a level that best matches their ability for future success.



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7. If and when their children are drafted up into the Rookies, the Parents of those 6- year olds will be sent an Invoice and be required to pay the difference in cost between Tee Ball and Rookies accordingly (\$45.00).

All Parents of 6 - year olds interested in having their children participate in a voluntary Try Out for the purpose of being 'drafted" up into the Rookies Division are asked to sign, date and scan / email this form to the designated **Rookies Commissioner** below to duly acknowledge they accept and will unconditionally abide by the terms and conditions so noted above should their children be drafted into the Rookies. <u>NO</u> Player will be considered for the Rookies draft unless this Policy Acceptance form has been duly signed by the Parent and received by the League.

NOTE - A COPY OF THIS EXECUTED FORM MUST BE SCANNED / EMAILED NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, MARCH 5<sup>th</sup> TO:

Rookies Commissioner:

Bryan Pennington (bryan.d.pennington@gmail.com)

If this form is not received by March  $5^{th}$ , we will <u>NOT</u> be accepting forms on the day of the Rookies Screenings and your son / daughter will <u>NOT</u> be allowed to participate in these Try Outs!!

Parent(s) Acceptance of this Policy:

Player Name :		{(Please Print)
Parent's Signature :		
Date :	/ 202 <u>6</u>	