



DYSA All-Star Season

Description

All-Stars is an early summer competitive season for the 10U, 12U, 14U, and 16U age divisions (depending on player availability). It is designed for those players seeking a more competitive softball experience. *To give your daughter an opportunity to be selected, please read this carefully.*

All-Stars is for motivated, enthusiastic, and skilled players. For the good of the team, a player is expected to attend all practices. Players must commit to making an attempt to attend all tournaments; attendance at the NORCAL tournament is required. Players who will knowingly miss the NORCAL tournament, or more than one complete warm-up tournament, are discouraged from applying for this season. If a player selected for the team misses a game in any of the tournaments without receiving approval from their coach, barring injury or illness, they may be asked not to try out for the following season's team. A good attitude and parental support are essential to the team's and player's success.

When

The season generally commences immediately following our DYSA end of season tournament in the beginning of June and runs through the middle of July. Practices are typically held four days per week for a minimum of two hours per day. There will be *at least* two warm-up tournaments in June, prior to the NORCAL tournament that occurs during the first week of July. The tournaments are held on both Saturday and Sunday and usually consist of three-to-six games (twelve–twenty hours) per weekend.

Where

Practices will be held at one of our DYSA fields (Field A or B at Community Park or Slide Hill). The All-Star tournaments are all held within the greater Sacramento region (typically within a forty-five minute drive of Davis).

Coaches

The Davis Youth Softball Association Board of Directors selects the coaches for the All-Star team from the pool of active Spring season coaches.

Players

All registered Spring DYSA players who participate in at least one-third of the regularly scheduled Spring season games are eligible to apply for consideration. All-Star players are selected based on multiple criteria including an overall evaluation of their softball skills (submitted by their Spring season head coach and reviewed by all Spring season coaches in their division), a further evaluation of their softball skills by the All-Star coaches, and their attitude.

The All Star Coaches try to scout every interested player at least three times during the last half of the Spring season. In addition to watching players participate in games, there will be three separate clinics for interested players to attend. The All Star coaches will select the DYSA All-Star team from the applicants. A final roster of 12-14 girls will be selected, however all applicants will be notified as to the coaches' decision in a timely manner.

Playing Time

Field position and playing time of each All-Star player are determined by the All-Star coaching staff. Each player will be scheduled to play a minimum of two innings per game, however because of certain factors such as game time limits and run rule limits, it is possible that a player may not actually play a full two innings in a game. Given that this is our most competitive season, comprised of the best players in an age group, playing time, positioning, batting line-up placement, etc. will not be equitable amongst players. This is the one recreational experience where player skill and ability is key and winning is the goal. Very poor practice attendance or attitude may be grounds for reduced playing times in games and/or removal from the team.

Cost

There is a fee of \$100.00 per player to help the league cover the costs associated with uniforms and tournaments.