



8u Program Summary

Smithtown Bulls Baseball



Travel Program Philosophy

- 8-12u Travel fed by St James/Smithtown LL
- Player Development
- Sportsmanship
- Competitive level based on skill
- 8/9u
 - Fundamentals: Throwing, Catching, Hitting, Pitching
 - Teach all positions
 - Game Situations: How and what
 - Less emphasis on winning



Travel Philosophy

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- Travel Teams – 8u – College
- Parent Coaches
- Hired coaches optional
- Complimented by 3rd party training
- Manager and 2 assistants



8u Player Travel Eligibility

- A registered Little League player for Spring
- Age eligible for travel play (See age chart on home page)
- Produce a copy of birth certificate at Travel Player evaluation
- Participate in the Spring Travel Player evaluation

* exceptions approved by Travel Director



Player Evaluation Process

- All players must register for evaluation in late May
- Must attend
- Infield, Outfield, Hitting, Running (eval form)
 - Pitching, Catching (optional) -
 - Players won't be penalized if they don't pitch or catch
- Teams formed within 2 weeks



8u – Program

- Summer Season
- Fall Season
- Winter Program



8u –Program Summer

- LIHS League
 - 1-2 practices a week (depends on coach)
 - Division based on team level
 - Season 6/25 – 8/14 (includes playoffs 8/8-14)
 - 11 Single 7-inning games
 - 2 games a week (1 weekend, 1 weekday)
 - Home and away games (Suffolk)
 - Keep score, standings, pitch counts
 - Certified Umpire
 - Top 4 ea division make playoffs



8u – Program Fall

- HHH Otsego Park Dix Hills
- Season Early Sept – Late Oct
 - 1-2 practices a week (depends on coach)
 - 7 Single 7-inning games on weekend
 - Home and away games
 - Keep score, standings, pitch counts
 - Top finishers - trophies or playoff



8u – Program Winter Program

- Early January – End of March
- Indoor 10-week Team program
 - 1-1.5 hr weekly sessions
 - 3 instructors (coaches involved)
 - Fielding, hitting, pitching
 - Baseball IQ
 - Team Building
 - Flexible schedule available



8u –Program Cost \$900 Estimated

- Summer, Fall, Winter and Apparel –
- Assumes roster of 12 players
- costs are per player
- Placement Fee - \$300 (incl. Bulls annual fees and apparel)
- Summer Season Reg: \$100
- Fall Season Reg: \$80
- Winter Program Reg: \$375
- All fees are paid via bullsbaseball.net



Travel Apparel

- MAP is our apparel provider
 - New hats (annually)
 - New jerseys for 8u.. Otherwise every other year
 - Pants – parents choice
 - Spiritwear (additional fees)



Tournaments

Recommendations By Age

- 9u – Local Tournaments (Summer or Fall)
- 10u – Delaware (Sports at the Beach)
- 11u – Ripken (Baltimore)
- 12u – Cooperstown Dreamspark or CASV



Team Fundraising

- Encouraged at all ages
- Team Account/Treasurer Concept
- Offset tournament fees, apparel or whatever you think will help