



2025 NEW TRIER YOUTH BASEBALL 8U TRYOUT & PREP CLINIC INFORMATION

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2025 8U tryouts for current Second Graders* living in Winnetka, Glencoe, Northfield and Kenilworth will take place on February 21st and 22nd, 2025 at Illinois Baseball Academy – The Yard – in Northbrook (www.illinoisbaseballacademy.com).

* *Players must be born after April 30, 2016, and must not turn 9 before May 1, 2025*

To prepare for 8U tryouts, we have worked with Illinois Baseball Academy & The Yard to once again offer a 6-week tryout prep program catered to prospective 8U players!

This program is strongly encouraged but ***not required*** in order to attend 8U tryouts. Players who cannot participate in the 6-week tryout prep program may register for only the two-day tryout in February.

Players with conflicts are also welcome to contact IBA for private lesson availability. Please let them know you are preparing for 8U tryouts when inquiring.

Prep Program Highlights

- Small group coaching with senior level IBA coaches
- 2 sessions per week
- Players are automatically enrolled in 8U tryouts at no additional cost
- Limited to 30 spots

6-Week Prep Program Details:

This program has sold out the last several years and we strongly encourage early registration for anyone interested.

All sessions will be at The Yard - 722 Landwehr Rd. in Northbrook

Offensive
Fridays from 4-5pm
1/10-2/14

Defensive
Saturdays from 5-6pm
1/11-2/15

Price: \$325 (includes the two-day tryout at the end of the program)

Register here: [8U Prep Clinic Registration \(auto enrolled in tryouts\)](#)

8U Tryout and Program Overview:

Tryouts will take place at the Yard – 722 Landwehr Rd. in Northbrook.

Players must attend both dates.

- Friday, February 21, 2025 from 4-6pm
- Saturday, February 22, 2025 from 5-7pm

Price: \$40 for those who do not participate in the 6-week prep program. This fee is to cover facility rentals and evaluators/coaching time.

Register here: [8U Tryout Registration Only](#)

If you are unable to make the tryout date, please contact travel.commissioner@kwba.org to arrange for a private evaluation. All private evaluations must be completed by February 28, 2025.

8U TRAVEL PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- 2 teams of 11-12 players will be rostered.
- Players will participate in Spring House League Baseball via KWBA/GBA
- Teams will participate in 2 local tournaments – NT Bulldog Classic over Memorial Day and the Lincolnshire Summer Slam in June.
- Teams enrolled in Lakeshore Feeder Baseball summer league. Approx. 14 games + playoffs. Ends Mid-July.
- Season concludes with 9U tryouts

NT Bulldogs is a community-based travel program serving the communities of Winnetka, Glencoe, Northfield and Kenilworth. We have a decades long track record of developing our young players into successful New Trier Feeder and New Trier High School baseball players.

The Bulldogs program offers the opportunity to meet and develop friendships with teammates from surrounding communities, many of whom will end up being New Trier Trevians together, while being coached and mentored by the exceptional professional staff at the Illinois Baseball Academy. IBA works with NT Feeder and several surrounding community baseball programs and is instrumental in helping us create programming that ensures the health, safety and proper development of our young players.

Our 8U Program is designed to give our young players a positive first experience with competitive baseball. Our primary focus at this level is on development and learning the fundamentals of the game. All teams will have professional coaches with playing experience at the high school and/or college levels.

For additional information on our program and for contact information to discuss any questions or concerns, please visit us at www.ntbulldogs.com