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2026 Teams

🏆 13 Traveling Teams 9U- 15U

9AA Maroon- Mitch Lonnee
9AA White- Eric Eckman
10AA- Matt Wilberg
11AA- Mike Kinghorn
12AAA- Josh Deal
12AA- Davis Kreps
12A- Curt Rogers

13AAA- Eric Roering
13A- Tom Gembowski
14AAA- Zach Bartlett
14A- Adam Byrd
15AAA- Nick Berndt
15AA- Ted Junteen



ARAA Baseball Program Goals

- 🏆 Develop baseball skills and knowledge of the game
- 🏆 Teach life lessons, develop young leaders, create friendships
- 🏆 Effort & Attitude; as players, you represent Anoka
- 🏆 Be competitive and win games
- 🏆 Have fun while learning and playing the game



2026 Traveling Uniforms

Player uniform consists of:

- Home Jersey (Gray)
- Away Jersey (Maroon)
- Baseball Pants (Gray)
- Maroon Belt
- Hat
- Practice Shirt
- Hoodie
- Maroon Socks (Not included)
- **Extra baseball hats and socks are available for purchase tonight or from the apparel store**



Away Jersey



Home Jersey



Grey Baseball Pants



Player & Coach Hoodie



Player Shirt



Coach Shirt



FAN APPAREL

- Sublimated Sweatshirt
- T-shirts, Tanks,
Longsleeved Shirts
- Baseball Hat, Pants, Socks
- Sweatpants, Shorts, and
MORE!
- Store closes April 1st
- Pick-up last week of April
- Pick up at Tornado Alley in
Ramsey



BASEBALL

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**TORNADOES BASEBALL APPAREL FOR THE
2026 SEASON**

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ACCESS
TO THE ONLINE STORE

NEW ITEMS ADDED!

PICK UP WILL BE AT TORNADO
ALLEY IN RAMSEY



ORDER NOW

**STORE CLOSING WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 1ST**



2026 Field Assignments

City	Field	Team 1	Team 2
Anoka	John Ward Park #2	9AA- Maroon	NA
Anoka	Bonnell North	10AA	NA
Anoka	John Ward Park #1	9AA- White	NA
Ramsey	Alpine #1	12A	11AA
Ramsey	Alpine #2	12AAA	12AA
Ramsey	Alpine #3	13A	13U Rec.
Ramsey	Alpine #4	13AAA	NA
Anoka	Enloe #1 NW	14A	NA
Anoka	Enloe #2 NE	14AAA	NA
Anoka	HS Freshman Field	15AA	NA
Anoka	HS JV Field	15AAA	NA



*If sharing a field, please be respectful of the other team while practicing.



Practice Field Assignments Until Primary Fields Open

City	Park	Tues/Thurs 5:15pm- 6:30pm	Tues/Thurs 6:30pm- 7:45pm
Ramsey	Rivers Bend Park	15AA	14A
Ramsey	Titterud Park	12AAA	13Rec
Ramsey	Bear Park	12A	12AA
Anoka	Rick Sorenson	14AAA	15AAA
Anoka	John Ward #3	9AA Maroon	9AA White
Anoka	King Park	10AA	11AA
Ramsey	Emerald Pond	13AAA	13A
* Tennis shoes only while practicing at these parks			



PLEASE RAKE FIELDS AFTER USE



Field Updates

ARAA invested over \$10K in rebuilding the 4 mounds at Alpine and the mound at Bonnell North in 2023. Please take care of what we have and keep them covered along with tamping after using.

2024 ARAA and the City of Ramsey re-graded all 4 fields at Alpine and poured new dirt

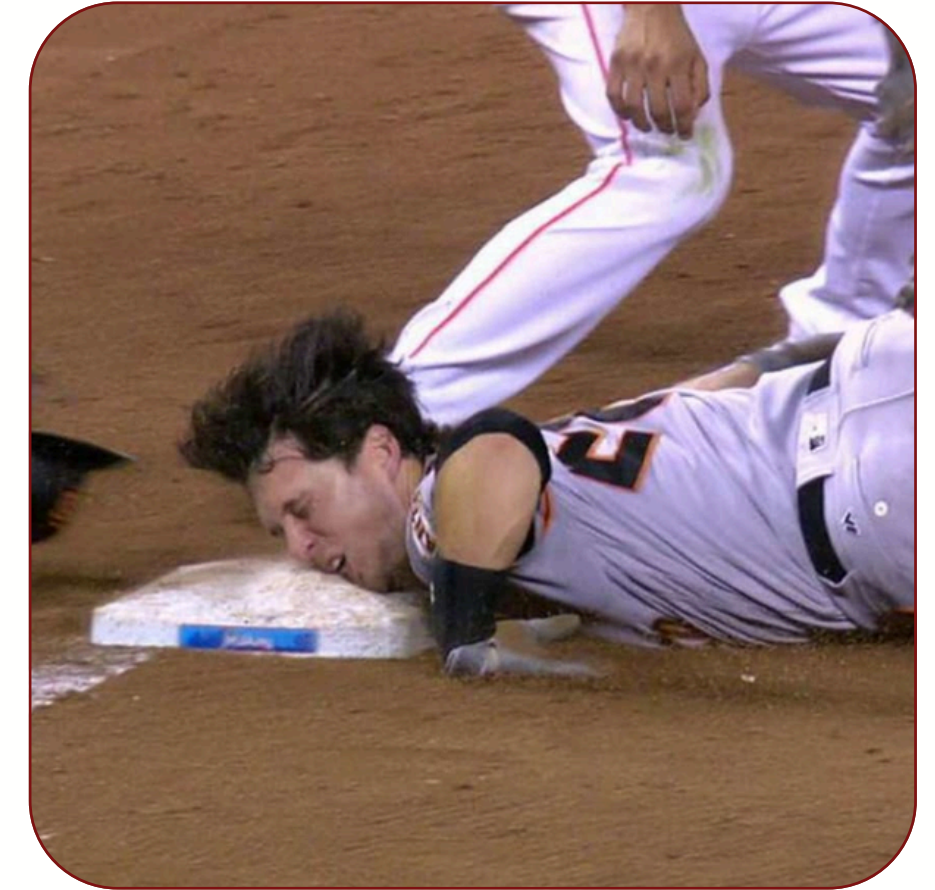
In 2024 and 2025 ARAA put in new netting in the cages at Alpine and regraded. Added turf

2026- New Cages at Enloe & New Dugouts at Ward and Bonnell will be completed by the end of March/April.



New Rule Updates for 2026

- 10U players may now steal home on a passed ball or overthrow from the catcher back to the pitcher for the duration of the season. (NEW IN 2026)
 - Prior was after May 31st of the current season
- MYAS/Gopher State Baseball will not be utilizing rule 1-6-2 from the NFHS Rule Book, therefore one-way electronic communication devices are not permitted from the dugout to the catcher while the team is on defense for the purposes of calling pitches. (This was new in 2025)
- Head First Slides at Home Plate - Players are allowed to slide headfirst at all bases, including home plate at all ages. (This was new in 2025)
- Curveballs - Curve balls are allowed at both the 12u and 13u age levels. (This was new in 2025)
- Extra Innings - If a game is tied and time allows, teams are required to play extra innings for any Gopher State Baseball League game.(This was new 2024)



Bat Standards



AGE	MAX DIAMETER @ THICKEST PART	LENGTH	WEIGHT DIFFERENTIAL	EXAMPLE
9U - 11U	2 1/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 1/2"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 3/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
	2 5/8"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
12U - 13U	2 1/4"	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
	2 1/2"	36" or less	-10	31-inch bat cannot weight less than 21 ounces
	2 3/4"	36" or less	-10	
	2 5/8"	36" or less	-10	
14U - 14/15A	2 3/4"	36" or less	-5	32-inch bat cannot weight less than 27 ounces
15U - 14/15A - 16U-19U	2 5/8"	36" or less	-3	32-inch bat cannot weight less than 29 ounces

9-14 Year Olds

Big Barrel Bats (2 5/8" or 2 3/4"- 14u& Below)

- (1) Made with the USSSA or USA Mark (see image); or
- (2) Is a qualified BBCOR bat; or
- (3) Is Wood

Small Barrel Bats (2-1/4" in diameter or less)

- (1) Made with the USSSA or USA Mark (see image); or
- (2) Is Wood



What to Expect- League Practices and Games

- 4-6 days per week. Mix of practice and games
Official League start date 4/15/26 9-12U, 4/20/26 13&14U
End Date 6/30/26 *Regular Season. 15U League Start 5/26/26- 7/12/26
- Arrive ready to play 1 hour before games
*Be aware of your away and home jersey
- Travel times to games could be an hour or longer away
- Severe Weather/ Rain: Regular Season games will be canceled by direction of the city.
Games/ Practice can be canceled within a hour of the event



Weekend Tournaments:

- Prepare for long days beginning as early as 8am games
- Be kind and and courteous at away hotels. Represent Anoka the right way.
- Prepare for the weather- Bring canopies and snacks
- "Play to Win" to qualify for end of season State Tournaments in July



Code of Conduct

- Everyone signed with registration
- Reviewed and updated for new issues
- Includes anyone there to watch your child
- Includes Social Media
- Will Be Enforced!

Coaches Agreement

- Act and speak as a positive role model
- Strive to work equally with all players
- Utilize practice plans
- Playing time and positions in the field
- Think of each player as a 3-5 year project
- Prepare kids for next level of play

Parent Expectations

- Baseball is fun. Keep it fun with your words and actions.
- Do not criticize umpires or confront opponents. Bad calls are part of the game. Be an example to the kids.
- Be part of the solution, not part of the problem.
- Remember these are kids and the coaches are volunteers.
- Limit in-game cheering to encouragement. Do not shout instruction. Coaches coach; parents parent.
- Represent our community and organization with class.

Player Expectations

- Be a great teammate.
- Listen. Learn. Do.
- 100% effort, 100% of the time.
- Recover quickly from adversity. Keep a positive attitude
- Take care of the fields and dugouts.
- Represent our community and organization with class.



Key Dates

- 🏆 April – Projected Field open date- April 15th
 - Anoka and Ramsey will release the fields when they are prepped and ready.
- 🏆 May – League games and tournaments begin
 - Coaches will be building out your season schedule between 3/31 and 4/7
- 🏆 May 15th- Youth night at Castle Field, 4:30 & 7:00 PM
- 🏆 Picture day at Alpine Field 1- Monday 5/18 & Tuesday 5/19
- 🏆 GSTC, MBT, MSF Tournaments all in July

ARAA Ran Tournaments

- 🏆 8U House Tournament- 6/6 & 6/7/2026
- 🏆 Mid Summer Classic
6/20-6/21/2026
9u ages, 12AA, and 13AA. (Central Park and Alpine)
- 🏆 ARAA House Tournament
6/26-6/28/2026 (Central Park Only)
- 🏆 Gopher State 13A Tournament
7/24-7/26/2026
(Central Park and Alpine)
- 🏆 All Star Tournament
8/1/2026
13's (Alpine Park)



Miscellaneous/ Recommendations

- 📱 Gamechanger App- Use for communication
- 📱 Some Tournaments use Tourney Machine for their brackets
- 📱 Have a team picture person and team events planner
- 📱 Team FB page for all parents to share photos from the season

Volunteer Requirements

- 📱 4 hours per player
- 📱 8 hours max per family
- 📱 Sign up through DIBS
- 📱 Examples of Volunteer availability
 - Tournament participation
 - Turning Fields
 - Putting batting cage nets up
 - Concessions



Team Slush Funds



Team Fund Tracker

Simplifying Financial Management for Youth Sports Teams.
Manage your team's finances with ease using Team Fund Tracker, designed specifically for youth sports groups. This app helps coaches, parents, and team members stay informed on all financial costs of the team.

Key Features:

- Real-Time Financial Tracking: Stay updated on team expenses and income.
- Organized Expense Categories: Easily categorize costs like equipment, uniforms, travel, and tournament fees.
- Income Monitoring: Track donations, fundraising events, and sponsorships seamlessly.
- Transparent Contributions: Parents and members can view their contributions directly in the app.

Privacy & Security: We prioritize your privacy. Team Fund Tracker complies with data protection regulations to ensure your information is secure.

For questions please contact:
Samantha@teamfundtracker.com



ARAA Sponsorship Details

Grand Slam-\$2,500+

- Company spotlight on ARAA baseball Facebook
- Company banner displayed all season in outfield fence (at all 4 fields)-Alpine Park
- Company logo (Large display) on tournament banner as sponsor (4 tournaments)
 - Company logo and web address link on the ARAA Baseball website

Home Run \$2,000

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 - Company logo (Large display) on tournament banner as sponsor (4 tournaments)
 - Company logo and web address link on the ARAA Baseball website

Triple \$1,500

- Company banner displayed all season in outfield fence (at 2 of the 4 fields)-Alpine Park
 - Company logo (Medium display) on tournament banner as sponsor (4 tournaments)
 - Company logo and web address link on the ARAA Baseball website

Double \$1,000

- Company banner displayed all season in outfield fence (at 1 of the 4 fields)-Alpine Park
 - Company logo (Small display) on tournament banner as sponsor (4 tournaments)
 - Company logo and web address link on the ARAA Baseball website

Single- \$500

- Company logo (Small display) on tournament banner as sponsor (4 tournaments)
 - Company logo and web address link on the ARAA Baseball website



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Upcoming ARAA Baseball Clinic



Athletes will work on early season arm care and pitching technique to prepare for the 2026 season.

- Four-week ARAA pitching clinic put on by the Lovdahl Pitching Academy.
- Ages 8U-15U
- Location: Alpine Field 1 in Ramsey
- Tentative start date: April 12th (4 Sunday Nights) If fields are not open by the 12th, we will start April 19th.
- Time: 5:30–7:00 PM
- The 8U-11U and 12-15U groups will split into two.
- Cost: \$60 per Athlete



Open ARAA Baseball Board Positions



Our baseball program is built on volunteers, and we're always looking for people who want to help make it even better. If anyone has interest in joining the baseball board, we'd really appreciate you stepping forward or talking with us after the meeting

- 🏟️ Commissioner- October 2026
- 🏟️ Treasurer- October 2026
- 🏟️ Tournament Director- October 2026
- 🏟️ Player & Coach Development Director- October 2026
- 🏟️ Registration Coordinator- October 2026
- 🏟️ Concessions Coordinator- October 2026
- 🏟️ Fundraising Director- October 2026
- 🏟️ At Large Board Member's





QUESTIONS?





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Good luck this season!!

AR Baseball board meetings are the second Sunday of each month, 6 or 7pm at a local location.
Please share your thoughts and ideas. Be part of the process!