



# Haverford Township Hilltop Baseball, Softball and Challenger League



Dear Hilltop Parents:

I am excited for the opportunity to host tryouts for Hilltop's 10U tournament team and have summarized below some of the criteria on which your child will be evaluated for the 2026 Hilltop 10U team.

## **Tryout dates / times**

Each player will be evaluated based on the following: Speed/Base Running, Arm Strength/Accuracy, Fielding (Ground Balls/Fly Balls), Hitting, Pitching, Hustle, Attitude, Team Chemistry and overall team need. The goal is to put together the most complete and competitive team for the 10U tournament season. Please note that this is a tryout.... ***Roster spots are not guaranteed and will be evaluated based on their ability, behavior, and resilience.***

***You will need to attend both tryout dates shown below. If you cannot make both dates, please let me know in advance:***

- April 18th - Hilltop minors field 5:30-7:30PM
- April 19th- Hilltop minors field 5:30-7:30PM

## **Selection Process**

Players will be rated based on the criteria noted above by myself, as well as independent evaluators. These evaluators will not be related to any of the players and are there to help provide an unbiased view to help aid in the selection process. Please note that in the event that more players are trying out than there are available spots available, some players will not be chosen for the team.

If there are enough players to field a second team, the determination will be made by the League. If a "B" team is approved, a "B" team manager will be approved by the Board and that manager will select his own team. Please note that players do not get to select the team or manager to play for; the player has the right to accept or decline the invitation to their assigned team. You must participate in tryouts to be eligible to participate in tournament play.\_

## **Player Availability/Participation**

If selected, your child is required to be available for all games and practices with an expectation the season will last until late July. Whereas we all recognize the importance of family vacations, I would ask that they be postponed until after the tournament season. If the commitment cannot be made, please do not take the spot away from a player who is willing to make the commitment, as it is simply not fair to the other members of the team.

***Additionally, you are required to have participated in, at minimum, 75% of your Spring in-house games to be eligible to play for a tournament team.*** If there are reasons why this is not possible (sick, family vacation, etc...), please make your coach aware why you did not attend.

## **Expectation**

The tournament team is different from our in-house season as there are no guarantees with playing time. Please note that ***your child may be a substitute for any given game and may not get in some games at all depending on the situation.*** It is essential that you and your child understand this prior to tryouts. Baseball games are won and lost as a team, and it takes the entire team to get it done. **There will be zero tolerance for poor behavior and sportsmanship in any form.**



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## Schedule & Cost

As of now, we will participate in at least 5 tournaments in the summer, with the possible dates below (subject to change):

1. May 23-25; Memorial Day Tournament (Washington Township, NJ)
2. June 19-21; Father's Day Tournament (Egg Harbor, NJ)
3. June 23-28 ; District 1 Tournament (location TBD)
4. July 3-9; PA State Tournament (Centennial)
5. July 19-20; (Diamonds of Delco, Newtown Square, PA)
6. \*July 17-23 ; Mid-Atlantic Regional Tournament (TBD - must win state tournament to qualify)
7. \*Early August; Cal Ripken 10u World Series ( must qualify or be invited)

\*another tournament may be added in June or July dependent on District and State outcomes.

The estimated cost for tournament play is estimated approximately \$300 per player. This will cover the cost of entering the tournaments. The uniform (Hilltop jersey and hat, pants, belt and socks) is purchased separately. Please note this estimate is subject to change based on tournament fees and how far we are able to advance in districts, states, etc..

We also request that an initial \$200 payment be made to Hilltop if your son is selected to the team which helps reimburse tournament fees that have already been paid for by the league in advance of tournament season. The remaining balance of our tournament costs will be calculated and requested at the end of tournament season.

Please read the player commitment letter carefully. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call me anytime (609-504-5903).

Sincerely,

Rob Krawiecki  
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Detach and return at the first try-out along with a copy of your child's birth certificate.

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If selected as a member of the 2025 Hilltop 9U tournament team, I will commit myself to teamwork and fair play. I understand that if I am selected to the team I will be required to attend all practices and games. The tournament team will practice consistently through the months of April, May, June, and July. Expect to have an activity most nights. If I am unable to make the full commitment as stated above, I will withdraw my name from consideration; giving a player who can make the commitment the opportunity to play.

All guardians of the child must sign. Please sign and return along with a copy of your child's birth certificate.

Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian #1 Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian #1 Email \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian #2 Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian #2 Email \_\_\_\_\_