



Aurora Baseball League 2009 Travel & Tournament Team Tryouts

The Aurora Baseball League will be conducting tryouts for the 2009 season. Our travel and tournament programs include:

- **Travel teams** - compete in the local travel league and involve a major time and financial commitment. There are weekday league games against teams from the eastern suburbs (home and away) and weekend travel for tournaments in the greater Cleveland area and possibly out of town.
- **Tournament teams** – compete in 4 - 5 weekend tournaments in the eastern suburbs. Players also play in our ABL in-house rec program.

Who: Any baseball player who lives in Aurora or attends Aurora schools.

Date: Saturday, August 9, 2008 or Saturday, August 23, 2008. A player needs only to try out on one of these dates. If a player tries out on both dates, his scores will be averaged.

Time:

9U and 10U	8:30 AM – 11:00 AM
11U and 12U	12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
13U and 14U	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: Fields #7, #8 & #9 located behind Harmon Middle School.

Age Cut-off: Age cut-off date of May 1 is in effect. **The player's age on April 30, 2009** will determine which team he will play on for the 2009 season.

Age Group Rule Exception: If a player's age (summer birthday) puts him in a group with players in a lower school grade, he can petition the ABL Board to tryout for the team comprised of his school classmates. This is considered an Age Group Rule Exception and requires ABL Board approval.

For example, a player that turns 11 on May 15 will play on the 10U team (cut-off is May 1 – he is 10 years old on April 30th). If he will be in 5th grade, he can petition the ABL Board for an Age Group Rule Exception to play on the 11U team. **He must tryout with all the others 11 year olds.** The ABL Board encourages players to play in their age group.

Please calculate your child's age as of April 30, 2009 to determine which age group and tryout time. If you have any questions, please call Jeff Rhoads, ABL Travel & Tournament Director at 330-562-2023.