Zone 2 AA Team Formation rules

11U AA

- -Zone 2 Local Associations are allowed to make teams that will consist of the top/keen 11U players in their organization.
- -If needed, 2-3 Local Associations can amalgamate together to create a AA team that includes the top players from each. The total amount of 11u players registered in the amalgamated associations can not exceed 42 players.
- -Tryouts can occur for AA teams if needed, but there should be a minimal need for that due to the increased dedication level with the season running in conjunction with the local league and the season extending into late July. Teams can choose to only offer to major aged kids and/or make high expectations for dedication to limit the need for tryouts to occur if they wish (highly suggested for large associations).

Please remember that there is a lot of development time left for 11U players, so the keen players will likely see more development over time than your best athlete at this age.

- -Players involved in the AA teams are expected to be involved in community league play and are eligible to attend a Tier 1, 2, or 3 provincials with their league team or be added as a player pick up for Tier 1, 2, or 3 provincials.
- -Leagues are not required to have "AA" teams or send a rep to the "AA" Provincials.
- -Local Associations must inform Baseball Manitoba by June 1st if they are interested in attending the AA provincials (June 1st is the final deadline we would like a commitment at an earlier date ie. May 1st or earlier especially in this the first year to get organized as many associations will have an idea well in advance. A Zone 2 meeting will occur in mid-april to start the organization process.)
- -Roster formation for these teams will be outside of the league rosters, therefore will not need to be finalized until June 15th .
- -Zone 2 will have 5 spots in the 11U AA provincials.
- -Baseball Manitoba will decide on what Zone 2 regional playdowns will look like based on the number of teams entered
- -Provincial reps are allowed up to 2 regional pick-ups. This is done before provincials, but after any provincial playdowns games are played.

Zone 2 AA (13U, 15U, 18U)

- *AAA rostered players are not eligible to play in the AA provincials.
- *Leagues can choose to have 1 regional "AA" team or multiple if there is enough interest.
- *Leagues can choose to use local association teams as reps for AA instead of regional if they prefer.
- *Leagues can choose to amalgamate with another league to make a "AA" team if needed.
- *Regional AA players are expected to play in the local community leagues and are allowed to be added as pick-ups for Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 provincials if their local teams do not advance.
- *Baseball Manitoba will announce how many Zone 2 teams will advance to the AA provincials and how they will be chosen in the near future. This is dependent on how many teams will be formed in Zone 2 and that info will be available once leagues have a better idea how they will proceed.
- *Regional AA players can be added to the AAA rosters for AAA provincials if the need arises. This remains a rule from previous years.
- *The goal of the AA provincials is about player development and should not be about the provincial championship. The provincial winner does not advance to any out of province events. The Western Canada Baseball Association AA championship is that in name only and AA teams in other provinces are of a AAA calibre, therefore the Tier 2 AAA winner will attend the WCBA Championships.