



# Kanata Cubs 9U Rep Baseball



Dear 9U Kanata Cubs Rep Hopefuls,

Welcome to the 9U Kanata Cubs OBA program. The goal of this letter is to let you know a little bit about the program and the goals for the upcoming 2024 season.

## Introduction

My name is Travis O'Donnell and I am the Head Coach for the 9U Kanata Cubs Rep Team. My goal this season is to advance our young athletes into baseball players, developing an appreciation and understanding of the game, and ultimately have FUN!

This will be achieved through 5 fundamental aspects of an Athlete:

- Commitment
- Effort
- Coachability
- Repetition
- Conditioning

As a competitive team, there are both commitment and financial expectations. As a member of the 9U Kanta Cubs, all ball players will be expected to:

- Hustle on and off the field
- Arrive 1 hour before games, 10 min before practice, prepared to play
- Remain in the dugout/bench during games
- Be respectful of coaches, umpires, opponents and your teammates
- Put in a 100% effort
- Baseball first from May - August

## Practices/ Games

Practices will start inside once a week in January (Location TBD).

In May, we will move outside to two practices and 1 game a week (Location, Times TBD).

The team will travel to 2 out of town tournaments and 2 local tournaments this season. One of the local tournaments will be hosted by our team which will include additional commitment from parent volunteers.

Provincials – in addition to the tournaments mentioned above, the ultimate goal of the season is to bring our team to provincials over the Labor Day weekend (Location TBD).

## Fees

Below is an approximate of fees/dues that will occur throughout the season. These numbers are based on 2023 and are subject to change.

- Field House \$400/player
- League Fees \$235/player
- Team Fees \$350/player
- Team Uniform \$200/player (including 2 game jerseys/practice jersey/cap)

Additional uniform requirements for each player (not supplied): Matte Royal Blue Baseball Helmet,

Royal Blue Belt, White Baseball Pants, Royal Blue socks.

We will do some team fundraising to help offset any additional costs (e.g. Team meals at away tournaments).

#### Volunteer (Parent) Commitment

As with any organization, our team will rely on volunteers to assist in the year running smoothly. An Example of roles that will need to be filled include: Assistant Coach(s), Home Tournament Coordinator, Fundraising Organizer, DJ for Walk-Up Songs etc.

#### Try Outs

My evaluation team is made up of U9 non-parent personnel. The selected volunteers asked to be on field are to assist running the players through various drills. I will be making all final decisions on player selection.

Following the two weekends of try outs, I will send out offer letters by end of day October 3, 2023 and I will require a response within 24 hours. Upon acceptance of all offers, the roster will be formalized.

I wish every athlete the best of luck during the try out process.  
Please do not hesitate to reach out if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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