

Play-Up Policy

JUNE 2026

Grade Level Exception: WYHA will authorize a move up to the next older age level provided that:

- The player has a birthday in June, July, or August ONLY following the cutoff date
- Be in the grade on par with the older age level
 - Proof of grade level is required
- Complete the online play-up form
- Receive approval from the WYHA registrar
- Families should take note of the *fee and changes following approval note*

PLAYERS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE PER BIRTH DATE	BUT ARE ENTERING
Mini Mite	Minimum Age must be met - no exceptions
Mite Rookie/Girls 6U	Kindergarten
Mite Intermediate	1st Grade
Mite Advanced/Girls 8U	2nd Grade
Squirts/10U	4th Grade
PeeWee/12U	6th Grade
Bantam/15U	8th Grade
Jr Gold	10th Grade

All players that are affected relative to their grade will be given the opportunity to move up if they choose. Players must indicate their interest to play-up in the registration form. Once a player receives approval to play-up with their grade level peers they must remain at that level for tryouts and play for the team they are selected for at that level for the remainder of the season.



The “Grade Level Exception” is good for one season and the player must request to play with their grade level peers at each opportunity.

Fees and Changes Following Approval

There is no fee to request or approve a play-up. However, players may be responsible for any difference in registration fees associated with the higher age level.

Families are encouraged to carefully consider their decision before requesting a play-up. Once a player's level of play has been adjusted, any subsequent request to change the player's level of play again will result in a **\$75 administrative fee per change**.

Play-ups are intended to be a season-long decision, not something that changes back and forth. Families should be confident in their decision before requesting a play-up.

Families requesting a play-up are encouraged to submit their requests promptly. Play-up approvals and registration changes are completed manually, and sufficient time is needed to process requests prior to tryouts and player rostering. Please do not wait until the last minute to submit a play-up request. Late requests may not be accommodated prior to tryouts and team formation.