# 11 and 12-Year-Old Eagles Travel Teams

JAYBAL will offer travel baseball teams for 11 and 12-year-olds. These teams will compete in the North Dakota Cal Ripken AA division. Practices will begin in early-mid April depending on spring weather. The season will conclude with the state tournament held on the weekend of July 30th-August 1st.

## Age Breakdown

11YO | May 1, 2013 – April 30, 2014 12YO | May 1, 2012 – April 30, 2013 Players born between May 1st and July 31st have the opportunity to play with their grade level. This is a slight deviation from Babe Ruth baseball where the normal age cutoffs are 5/1/XX - 4/30/XX. This policy will allow for those kids that are young for their grade to petition the board.

## **Tryouts**

If needed, JAYBAL will host tryouts for the 11 and 12-year-old teams in March. Players must be registered by February 15th to participate in the tryout. Players who do not make the travel team will be refunded the registration fee. JAYBAL currently does not offer a non-travel ball option for the 11-12 year old age group.

#### **Practice**

Players are expected to attend practices, as playing time will depend on attendance.

- Before Summer Break: Plan for 2 evening practices per week.
- During Summer: Plan for up to 3 practices per week, held during the day to accommodate the coach's schedule and field availability.

## **Game Schedule**

The 9 and 10-Year-Old Eagles teams will typically play 30–40 games. This includes participation in 5-6 weekend tournaments and weekday doubleheaders (home and away). No games will be scheduled during the first weekend of July.

## **Coaching Opportunities**

If you are interested in coaching the 9 or 10-Year-Old Eagles teams, please contact:

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## 11 and 12 Year Old Eagles Tournament Schedule

April 25-27	Defrost Days Mandan
May 9-11	Fargo Invite
June 6-8	Buffalo City Bash Jamestown
June 27-29	Badlands Battle Dickinson
July 11-13	Ben Berg Memorial Bismarck
July 30-3	11U State Tournament Mandan   12U State Tournament Dickenson