



Parent Tryout Information Sheet (2023)

Thank you for trying out for our 2023 Hastings A's! The Hastings Athletics (A's) play with the Nebraska **USSSA** baseball association. We are dedicated to strengthening our players' character and skill set with hard work and attention to detail.

Notes:

- A \$100 deposit check is required for tryouts. If a player is not selected for a team the check will be destroyed. Make the check payable to the Hastings Athletics. In the memo line put "A's tryouts 2023".
- Players are required to attend one tryout. If a player is unable to attend a tryout date - a private tryout may be set up.

Players will be selected by hustle, skill level & attitude. Younger players may play on older teams but players can't play down. **For example:** if a player turns 12 on or before May 1st he must play on the 12 year old team or older team. We look for players and families that enjoy the game and are willing to compete at a higher level throughout Central Nebraska. We take our baseball seriously. We work closely with our Hastings Baseball program to ready our players for High School & American Legion Baseball. (Warriors, Braves & Chiefs).

We begin with indoor off-season workouts in January at the YMCA. We work on fundamentals and proper mechanics. We understand that your son may be in another sport at the time and will always work with you on that matter. Teams & age groups may differ but most games begin around April 1st and continue through early July. During the season we practice 2-3 times per week. Many teams play mid-week games and will do double headers & tournaments on the weekend as well. Our younger teams will schedule approximately 25-35 games. Our older teams schedule approximately 40-50 games.

As you can see we are devoted to developing our players' skills and level of play. Players can expect to play different positions but playing time **may not be 100% equal**. This would be especially true during tournaments. As kids get older they will be "settling in" to the positions that best help the team. The goal is consistency! **Side note:** learning how to be a good pitcher will ensure success in every position and guarantee more playing time. This is a big component of our program.

Our success over the years has been built on our players and their family's dedication to improving the quality of baseball in Hastings. We are committed to providing you with the best baseball available in Nebraska. The commitment we expect in return is one of dedication, honesty and integrity in all you do as an A's player.

When players are selected our coaches will contact the players and families that have made the teams.

If you have any questions you can contact the following coaches

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11u	Justin Clark	402-460-0029
12u	Kelly Sheets	402-984-2922
13u	Bryce Blecha	402-879-1513
14u	Blake Peshek	402-984-9072