

2010 Oak Prairie Bulldogs Baseball Tryouts

All boys **must have a physical** if they would like to tryout. That is a district policy and must be followed. If they have a physical on file here at OP from last year it is good up until the date one year later. School physicals are done towards the end of each school year now. That allows the physicals to be good for the following year.

Head Coach (A): Coach Wedewer - Physical Education Teacher Oak Prairie
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Head Coach (B): Coach Gold – Physical Education Teacher Ludwig
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Tryouts will start Monday August 2nd, 3rd & 4th

Boys that make the cuts should be present all three days.

Boys in 6th & 7th grades will tryout during the time below each day

8:30 am – 11:00 am

Boys in 8th grade will tryout during the time below each day

11:15 am – 1:15 pm

*Times could run early or late depending on the amount of boys trying out.

**The times above may change after the 3rd due to cuts and combining the kids left over for a final tryout. Cuts may be made after the first day due to a large number of kids.

Rain may also change times and dates.

******There are two teams. An A team which consists of 12-14 boys picked from 7th & 8th graders and a B team that consists of 12-14 7th and 6th graders. A total of 24 - 28 kids will be taken. There are usually around 60-70 boys that try out each year.**

- Tryouts will be held at **Oak Prairie School**.
- Tryouts will last for 3 days; **practices begin immediately that Thursday & Friday**.
- Students should report to the field a little early (15 min.) to sign in and warm up.
- All players should come to tryouts completely equipped to play (hat, glove, spikes, etc.) **No Metal Spikes**.
- Bats **MUST** be IESA regulation. **3 oz. Ratio** (Unless it is a little league barrel)
- We should have around 18 - 25 games with the regional tournament at the end.
- B Team should play around 12-18 games.

This flyer is done ahead of time so that family vacations and such can be scheduled before these dates. If your child is not able to attend tryouts or will miss a week after the season starts they will not be able to tryout at a separate time. This is the only way to be fair to the kids that will be here the entire time. A week vacation during the season could mean missing 6-8 games.

Tryout Times for Pitchers and Catchers:

- Pitchers and catchers for the first session should show up a half-hour early to pitch and catch before tryouts start. 10-15 pitches will only be thrown due to the large number of boys that show up to pitch.
- Pitchers and catchers for the second session will stay after tryouts.

*******Parents, we appreciate the support you give to D92 and to your children. With that being said, the coaches ask that parents stay away from the dugout and refrain from yelling out onto the field during tryouts. These kids have enough pressure on them already with their peers and coaches watching them. Thank you.**

*******We try to pick the teams to the best of our ability. With 70 kids every year it is difficult. Especially since the bats are heavier, bases are longer, and the pitching mound is further away than they are used too. Please understand that it is not easy to choose from this many kids. Thank you for your patience and understanding.**

*Any questions relating to any of these dates or procedures should be addressed to
Coach Wedewer*

Costs if you make the team:

The school will order hats for the boys. The cost of the hat is \$12.00. The school will provide uniform tops.

The following items will have to be purchased by parent(s) outside of school:

- *White pants with navy blue pinstripes
- *Navy blue socks
- *Navy blue belt.

Equipment:

- No metal spikes are allowed in IESA.
- Spikes should be white, navy blue, or black if they make the team.
- All bats must be 3 oz. lighter than the length and 2 5/8-barrel.
- All bats until 2012 must have a BESR label.
- All 2 5/8 barrel bats must have a **BBCOR label on them starting in 2012.** Just giving you this info. if you are planning on buying a bat that will last for a couple of year.
- Little league barrels (2 ¼) are allowed **if under 31 inches.**

