

SPOKANE INDIANS YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL



Creating a Full Team for Spokane Indians Youth Baseball

How to Move from Coach Pitch to Full Team:

- **Getting Players**
 - Recruit from last year's team
 - Look at your child's classmates
 - Look at teammates from other sports (basketball, flag football, soccer)
 - Find a Player/Find a Team Page on SIYB.org
 - Family Friends of similar ages
 - Typically, most teams have a small core of 5-6 players and then start networking
- **Getting Coaches**
 - Who helped assist last year?
 - Find a friend or neighbor
 - Ask a parent to coach
 - Assign a team manager
- **Affording Uniforms/Gear/League Fees**
 - Find a Local Business to Sponsor the team
 - Does a parent own a business that will sponsor team?
 - BSN is official Gear/Uniform Provider of SIYB
 - Cost for 9u Team to play in SIYB Spring League is \$2,040. Plus uniforms and equipment (helmets/catchers gear/balls, most players will buy bats and all players should provide their own glove, cleats, misc items), total cost will be around \$3500-\$4000. That should be about \$325 per player. Finding a sponsor could help offset costs.
- **How to Sign Up**
 - Coaches will log onto siyb.org and register their team.
 - They pay for the league up front
 - The coach then invites players to their team via Bonzi
 - Typically, parents will pay coach league dues before coach registers team in league.
- **Why move to Full Team**
 - You can choose who your players are
 - Play against like competition
 - Teams typically play in 1-2 local tournaments and 1-3 additional tournaments
 - Turnover is minimal. You have the opportunity to play with the same team from year to year.
 - Able to practice throughout the year. Don't have to wait for players to be assigned to team
 - Build relationships with team
 - Play more games, end of season Double Elimination Tournaments
 - Some games under the lights
 - Make sure the parents are a good fit within your team

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