

2012 8U INDOOR CLINICS

CLINICS

The Northville Baseball Softball Association is planning to hold six (6) indoor baseball clinics in January – March 2012. We have reserved the batting cage room (Waterford Room) at Hillside Middle School for these clinics and the Precision Baseball facility in Canton. At Hillside, there is a batting cage and a small area for throwing, fielding and drill work. The Precision Baseball facility has a batting cage and a full infield/outfield area. The tentative dates for the clinics are:

Saturday January 21	8:00 – 9:30 or 9:30 – 11:00 am	Hillside
Saturday February 4	1:00 – 2:30 or 2:30 – 4:00 pm	Precision
Saturday February 18	8:00 – 9:30 or 9:30 – 11:00 am	Hillside
Saturday March 3	8:00 – 9:30 or 9:30 – 11:00 am	Hillside
Saturday March 17	1:00 – 2:30 or 2:30 – 4:00 pm	Precision
Saturday March 31	8:00 – 9:30 or 9:30 – 11:00 am	Hillside

SPACE LIMITATIONS The area at Hillside is very limited. Therefore, we are going to have to limit the number of players that can participate. The room will only accommodate about 20 players. If we have more than 20 players who are interested in participating, we may open up a second session. The plan now is to hold these sessions at the later time listed above each week. If there is enough interest, we will open up the second session at the earlier time slot. (We recognize that there are some early hours in this schedule, and we apologize in advance for this inconvenience, but these are the only times where we could secure a 3 hour bloc of time).

ATTENDANCE: The boys may attend one or all of the clinics.

AGE: The clinics are only open to players who will be 8 year olds for the 2012 season – birthdates between May 1, 2003 and April 30, 2004.

COST: The cost for all six (6) clinics is \$30.00. This cost will pay for the rental of the Hillside and Precision facilities.

WHAT TO BRING: Glove and gym shoes. Players can wear long pants or shorts. Players may bring their own bats and batting helmets if they choose to. We will have bats and helmets available if you do not have your own.

SIGN UP – FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS: Due to the space limitations, we may not be able to have everyone participate. The registration will be on a first come first served basis.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE: If your son is interested, you can REGISTER BY REPLYING TO THIS E MAIL. If there is a space available, you will receive a confirming e mail and the forms that need to be filled out before the first clinic.

OBJECTIVE: To have fun, learn the game of baseball and develop more interest in the game. Although this is open to all players, we are really encouraging those players who have a moderate to high level of skill and show a real enthusiasm and focus for the game to participate.

The outdoor season for these boys will start in April, so we hope that these clinics will give these boys some good practice leading into the season.

TOURNAMENT TRAVEL TEAMS: The Northville Baseball Softball Association has a travel baseball program from ages 8 – 16. At age 8, there is a limited travel program. All of the players will still be required to play in the Coach Pitch House League, which most of your boys played in last year. In addition to the House League team, the boys will be given an opportunity to try out for a “Tournament Team.” There may be one or two tournament teams at the 8 year old level, depending on the interest, but not all players who try out will make one of the teams. There will be tryouts held for these tournament teams in April or May. If your son is interested, you will receive more information about this at that time. These Tournament Teams will hold separate practices (in addition to their House League practices) and will play in 3-5 weekend tournaments in May – July. Although this program is sometimes referred to as the travel program, at age 8, most of the tournaments are local or within a one hour drive.

The winter clinics that we are holding are not part of the travel team program. Players do not have to participate in the clinics in order to try out for the tournament teams, but the clinics should help the boys who are interested in the travel program improve their skills.

CONTACT: If you have questions, regarding the clinics, please e mail me at asher@millercanfield.com or call (248) 310-8854. Thanks. LeRoy Asher