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Dear Parents,

HYAA currently has an All-Star program that is designed as a supplement to the HYAA recreation baseball and softball programs. This program was created to provide a higher level of competition beyond the recreational program for talented and motivated HYAA players who are willing to make a greater commitment to improving their skills.

All players and interested coaches must be registered by **April 25th, 2015**. All players **MUST** attend the tryout to qualify for the 2015 All-Star program. HYAA will hold open tryouts for its summer All-Star teams on **Sunday April 26th, 2015**. The tryout process will be similar to the skills evaluations that occur each Spring. Independent evaluators will assess and score players on various skills including pitching (if applicable), throwing, fielding, batting, catching and running. The selection process will be a combination of skill ratings coupled with intangibles such as attitude and "coachability". All roster spots are earned each year; there are no guarantees of making an All-Star team by participating in the tryouts or by playing on an All-Star team in a previous year. The coaches and teams will be selected within 3 days following the tryouts and players notified.

Practices for All-Star teams will be on Sundays and other open nights as field availability allows. The first All-Star practice will begin the week of **May 3rd, 2015** and there will be a 2 practices/week limit while the recreational season is still ongoing followed by a 4 practices/week limit. The tournaments attended by the All-Star teams are both local and can be as far away as 3 hours from Hillsborough. Tournaments can begin anytime after the recreational season & tournament ends, but the All-Star season must end by **July 31st**.

Parents must be willing to cover the cost of the player uniforms, coach uniforms and tournament fees, to participate on the HYAA Hawks All-Star teams. Upon acceptance of a roster spot, the non-refundable fee listed below will be expected to be paid before the player will be allowed to participate in practices or tournaments. Financial aid is not available; however teams have the option to use HYAA approved fundraisers to offset expenses.

Expected Costs are \$125 to \$175 per player depending on the number of players selected to a team and the proposed number of tournaments to be played.

While the financial and time commitments may seem daunting, we encourage parents to consider the growth that many higher ability players are able to achieve by competing with teammates of a similar skill against challenging teams. HYAA is pleased to offer this opportunity to our local players.

Please register at the following link which is located on our HYAA website:

Thank you for your interest!

HYAA Tournament Team Committee