

MAJORS



Registration Deadline	 March 2nd
+\$30 Late Registration	 March 3rd onwards
Placement Clinic	 March 10th (12th as make-up)
Team Placement Communication	 Week of March 19th
Uniform Order Window	 March 26th – 30th
Indoor Practices Start	 Week of April 1st
Outdoor Practices Start	 Week of April 16th (weather dependent)
Field Cleanup Day	 April 7th (rain date 4/14)
Saturday Games Start	 April 30th
Opening Day	 May 5th
Player Fee	 \$125

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Program Description |

Majors players range mostly from 10-12-year-olds with individual exceptions made following the placement clinic. Everyone makes a team. Teams are created evenly to provide a good level of competition for in-house games. ORYA utilizes the 60 foot base path a 46 foot pitching distance. Players are still developing so practices are still viewed as the more important part of their baseball experience. A glove and helmet is required for each player.

Placement Clinic |

Returning Majors Players | 9:00-10:00

All New to Majors Players | 10:00-11:00

The purpose of ORYA Baseball's placement clinic is to make sure each player is placed in a division & team that will allow them to enjoy the game and play with & against players of a similar ability. We utilize this opportunity to evaluate all players to create parity based teams. We believe that the games will be appropriately competitive this way. Lastly, the evaluations serve as a great opportunity to catch a spring fever after a long and cold winter.

Creating Teams |

This is an in-house recreational program, and teams are created with a mix of ability levels and offer parity between teams. Teams are created by having an appropriate mix of ages on each team. Without an evaluation teams are created solely based on the age range of the team. We do our best to avoid have teams made up of just younger or just older players. If your player is participating in Majors for the second year in a row, players are typically placed on the same team as the previous year.

Practice Schedule |

ORYA is not able to offer a training schedule until all coaches have been identified and their requests/conflicts have been gathered and compared against appropriate field size & availability. This is an ongoing process during registration and just after. We hope to announce your practice schedule at the same time we announce teams the week of March 19th.

All Majors teams should expect two team practices per week and at least one game on Saturdays. As rain-outs affect schedules some weeks may offer more than your normal schedule – including some mid-week games.

Team Snap |

Your volunteer coordinators will utilize Team Snap to communicate with you this spring. This easy & user-friendly app helps keep your schedule straight and allows to and from communications with your coach. Great for last minute schedule updates and player availability, we hope this app makes your season that much easier to keep track of!

Uniform | Ordering Window March 19th – 30th

Your volunteer Advisory Group and ORYA have decided to move away from utilizing MLB replica jerseys for the Majors program. This decision was discussed at length and the decision was reached to avoid the followings issues that are created with our old system.

- Stock. When ordering a stock of team uniforms you must over-order because from year to year you cannot anticipate how many uniforms of what size you will need. This artificially raises costs by needing roughly double the uniforms to outfit a team to account for sizing.
- Storage, organization, cleaning, loss of product. We have very limited storage and none of which is climate controlled. This creates unhealthy conditions to store clothing. The time it takes volunteers & staff to organize, inventory, disperse & accept returns could be better spent. Uniforms often get returned un-washed, stained, ripped, etc. which adds time on volunteers & staff to clean, repair, reorder, etc. If a uniform is lost or not returned that cost goes against the program. The time to track down each individual family that has not returned a uniform on time also takes away from other meaningful projects.
- Licensing. Every few years companies bid to be the MLB licensing apparel supplier. When the licensing changes hands uniforms are updated which means we cannot purchase the same uniforms we have and, therefore, need to get an entire new set even if we only need a few uniforms per team.
- Cost. Official MLB replica uniforms are roughly double the cost of decent, non-licensed uniforms. This inflates the cost of the program especially considering we need to purchase more than we actually need to account for sizing.

Majors players will now follow suit to all other ORYA sports. Each player will purchase their own uniform to keep. Majors uniforms will offer a color associated with each team and each player's name & number will be printed on the back. Your uniform shirt is NOT included in your program tuition. The goal is for players to get more than one season out of their uniform in an effort to keep the program as

affordable as possible. You will be responsible for ordering online within the uniform ordering window. Your team hat will be provided to you as part of your program tuition and is sized in either youth or adult snap-back.

Pants are also an individual purchase as the style of pant is a personal preference, but the color must be gray.

Anyone attempting to order their uniform after the March 30th deadline may not receive their uniform on time and may experience an increased cost.

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Player Tuition |

The tuition for this program accounts for insurance (medical & liability), equipment budget, ORYA Admin (\$30) & Capital Fund allocation (\$10), online payment processing & merchant account fees, uniform hat, umpires, porta potties at each location, field maintenance at multiple locations, program trophies, Cal Ripkin League dues & fees and small stipend for coach education or skills coaches.

Your player tuition was developed with input from, and approved by, your volunteer Lacrosse Advisory Group members.