



Registration is now open!

Registration for the 2019 baseball travel season opened on November 14th. Fees will remain unchanged from last year. Please visit RYBAMN.com to register and for more information.

2018 Review

1. RYBA partnered with Mayo High School to pilot a 14U travel team for future Mayo baseball players. The team played at the AA level and practiced at Mayo High School under head coach Tom Senne. Because post-season feedback from players, coaches, and parents indicated it was a success, RYBA and Mayo High School will provide this opportunity for 14 year-olds again in 2019.
2. The Travel Program conducted a 9U only training camp last spring rather than having 9U players tryout in the traditional format. While the difficult April weather delayed the camp and reduced the number of training days to four, reviews were positive and we will consider a similar camp in 2019. The Travel Committee believes this camp allows more time for young players to acclimate and tryout for travel baseball in a less intimidating format while providing opportunities for potential coaches to learn about practice fundamentals..
3. Three Rochester Tornado travel teams won state tournaments: 11AA, 11A, and 10AA. Numerous teams won regular season tournaments and regular season league titles as well.

New in 2019

1. RYBA will no longer send teams to the Omaha, Nebraska, Slumpbuster Tournament. Over the seventeen years RYBA sent teams, the tournament evolved from a community association tournament, into a club ball event. In addition, feedback from parents expressing concerns about hotel and overall travel costs became more pronounced. These two concerns, along with field quality issues, weather, and missing the opportunity to attend another regular season state qualifier tournament, led the travel committee to decide to eliminate the Omaha trip from our program. Teams no longer going to Omaha in the 12 and 14U levels will have a Minnesota state qualifier tournament replace the Slumpbuster.
2. The 10AAA team will no longer play in the Zumbro Valley League. Instead, it will play in the Metro Baseball League. Parents signing their ballplayer up for 10U this year should keep this in mind. There are eight away games in the southern metro area beginning in late April and continuing through June - some possibly on school nights.

