

# **GRAYSLAKE CENTRAL BASEBALL**

2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2018,

Conf Champs 2021,2022,2023,2024,2025

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2015,2017,2018,2019,2021,2022,2023

Sectional Champs 2006, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2019, 2023

Super-Sectional Champs 2009, 2013, 2014, 2023

State Appearances 2009-3rd, 2013-3rd, 2014-4th, 2023-2nd

RAMS Baseball Club provides the player development curriculum of Grayslake Central Baseball. Each club team will have paid team coaches who collaborate closely with High School coaches to ensure consistency of philosophy, technique, and expectations. The program enables an easier transition from youth baseball to Grayslake Central HS baseball.

From Grayslake Central High School Varsity Head Coach, Troy Whalen:

"As we embark on our 13th year of offering feeder baseball, I'm excited about the progress we have made from a development standpoint. Kids participating in the RBC Feeder Program are learning and doing some of the exact same drills and philosophies that we run in our high school program. That in itself is what makes this a "true feeder" program. More importantly, the schedule as it pertains to the number of games somewhat mirrors the IHSA schedule from a quantity of games standpoint. That IHSA allows us to play 35 games in the spring not counting the post season. Our RBC players routinely average between 35-45 games a spring/summer season and 9-12 games per fall season with a number of practices included. It's critical that a child learn the fundamentals in a practice and controlled environment and then be afforded the opportunity to demonstrate those skills in game action."

### **RBC 2025-2026 Informational Meeting**

We will hold an informational meeting June 2nd 6:30pm at Grayslake Central High School Varsity Field to review the 2025-2026 season and answer any questions you may have about the upcoming season.

## **RBC 2025-2026 13U and 14U Team Tryouts**

See the link for the 2025-2026 RBC tryout registration. <a href="https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/482933">https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/482933</a>

#### 14U Tryouts (players entering 8th grade only) will be held:

Monday July 21st (5-7pm) @ Grayslake Central High School Varsity Field Monday July 28th (5-7pm) @ Grayslake Central High School Varsity Field (It is recommended your player attends all tryout dates)

#### 13U Tryouts (players entering 7th grade only) will be held:

Thursday July 24th (5-7pm) @ Grayslake Central High School Varsity Field Tuesday July 29th (5-7pm) @ Grayslake Central High School Varsity Field (It is recommended your player attends all tryout dates)

After tryouts you will be notified if your player has made the team. You will be required to attend a parent meeting to discuss the coming season's expectations and turn in your deposit payment.

### **Parent Meeting for Confirmed Players:**

Wednesday July 30th (6pm) @ Grayslake Central Varsity Field

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

### RBC 2025-2026 Fall & Winter Sessions:

- Mid-August to early Oct one weeknight practice during the Fall for each team
- Mundelein Fall Ball League or similar, starting mid August (6) weekends, double headers (Saturday or Sunday) 12-15 Games
- Fall T-Shirt and hat provided
- Early December to mid-March, practice each weekend at Grayslake Central High School (Sunday Mornings)
- January to mid-March one weeknight practice at Grayslake Central High School (Weeknight)
- Prime Athletics Winter strength training and indoor batting cage packages available at RBC discounted prices.

## **RBC 2026 Spring & Summer Sessions:**

- Outdoor practices start as soon as weather permits Beginning April 1st
- MSBL or LSFL League 18-20 games, most teams in Lake County
- Games and tournaments scheduled from mid-April to early July
- Expect 4 or 5 day a week commitment during season
- 6 local tournaments, places like Vernon Hills, Franklin WI, Deerfield, Crystal Lake
- 1 Travel tournament, travel costs covered by families
- Approximately 35- 45 games during spring season per player:
  - Depending on number of players selected Additional games and tournaments are scheduled to achieve this range
- Spring Uniform package (Hat, 2 Jerseys, 2 Pants, Belt, & Helmet-13U)
- 14U and 13U RBC hosts a tournament at Central High School 2026 Dates TBD
- 14U home field is Alleghany Park Field 4, 13U home field is Doolittle Park

#### **RBC 2025-2026 General Information:**

- Teams coached by paid coaches
- Coaches selected by GC Varsity head coach Troy Whalen
- Coaches discuss team/player progress regularly with Central High School coaching staff
- Parent volunteer will act as team coordinator for communication/administrator
- TeamSnap website is used for in-season communication
- Number of players rostered will be decided by the high school coaching staff. (We have ranged from 12 players to 2 teams)
- RBC fee is approximately \$2,000.00 (Final cost is based on number of rostered players)
- Sample payment schedule: (\$300 at scheduled parent meeting), (\$600 Nov 1st), (\$550 Feb 1st), (\$550 Mar 1st)
- RBC also offers High School Summer teams for 15u, 16u, and 17u players. Please inquire for more information.

GC Baseball fully supports families making their own choices as it pertains to Travel Ball. That said, we do see the value in keeping the kids together and further developing them under the "GC team concept" standpoint. A non-refundable payment in the amount of \$300 must be paid at the scheduled parent meeting to secure a spot on a 2025-2026 RBC team. Should not enough kids participate, then the money will be fully refunded. Any additional questions can be answered by Jeff Woods (847-372-3520)