

2026 BBC Travel Baseball Tryouts

*****Carefully read all the below information prior to registering your child for 2026 Travel Baseball Tryouts*****

2026 Branchburg Baseball Club Travel Tryout Schedule			
<u>DATES</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGE GROUP</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Monday September 22	6:00 pm	9U	WOP #1
Thursday September 25	7:15 pm	11U	WOP #1
Monday September 29	6:00 pm	8U	WOP #1
Thursday October 2	7:15 pm	10U	WOP #1
TBD*	TBD*	12U*	TBD*
TBD**	TBD**	7U**	TBD**

*A determination at a future date will be made if a tryout for the 12U team is necessary.

**7U players interested in travel baseball are asked to register at this time. Players will be contacted when a team manager is identified.

Location:

White Oak Park, 235 Baird Road, Branchburg, NJ 08876

Fields: #1

Team Age Restrictions:

Please use the information below to determine the appropriate age division for your players in the 2026 Spring/Summer Season:

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Earliest Birth Date</u>	<u>Latest Birth Date</u>
7U	May 1, 2018	April 30, 2019
8U	May 1, 2017	April 30, 2018
9U	May 1, 2016	April 30, 2017
10U	May 1, 2015	April 30, 2016
11U	May 1, 2014	April 30, 2015
12U	May 1, 2013	April 30, 2014
13U	May 1, 2012	April 30, 2013
14U	May 1, 2011	April 30, 2012

Tryout Information

Information Regarding BBC Travel Baseball

- The primary function and top priority of the BBC is to provide a recreational baseball league for the children of Branchburg and its surrounding areas. The BBC travel baseball program is an off-shoot of our recreational baseball program and provides the opportunity for our BBC rec baseball players to participate on more advanced and competitive teams.
- **TRAVEL BASEBALL PLAYERS ARE REQUIRED TO PLAY IN THE BBC SPRING REC LEAGUE.**
 - All players in the 7U through 12U age groups who are selected to play on a 2026 BBC travel baseball team will play in the BBC spring rec baseball league.
 - **NO EXCEPTIONS ARE GRANTED TO THIS REQUIREMENT.**
- The expectation is that all players, managers and coaches who are selected to participate in travel baseball will make a **FULL COMMITMENT** to their travel teams for the **ENTIRE SEASON**.
- Players can expect to participate in winter training, team practices at least weekly, and travel leagues and tournaments during the spring, summer and fall.
- The amount of off-season training and the number of practices and games played during the travel baseball season is dependent on the plans of the travel manager for each team.

Tryout Details

- Tryouts are open to all players that fall within the ages outlined above.
- Online registration is required to guarantee a player's spot in the tryout. Proceed to the BBC website at www.branchburgbaseball.com.
- Players who intend to tryout are encouraged to register in advance. Walk-up registrants will be accepted.
- Tryouts are open to all children who reside in Branchburg and Somerville only.
- Players must attend the tryout for their specific age group.
- Players in the 10U, 11U and 12U age groups **ARE** allowed to register for a tryout one age group above their normal travel baseball age as outlined above. **Note:** Players who try out for an older age group and are not selected for a team in that age group are **NOT** guaranteed a spot on a team in their normal age group. Players will need to try out for both age groups to be considered for both teams.
- All players must bring their own equipment to the tryout. Players that want to tryout at the catcher position must bring their own gear. The BBC will not have catchers gear available at the tryout.
- All players attending a BBC tryout are asked to dress for baseball – hat, t-shirt, baseball pants, socks. **DO NOT WEAR BBC UNIFORMS FROM PAST TRAVEL SEASONS.** Players who arrive at the tryout in a BBC uniform will be asked to change into something else prior to being allowed to proceed to the tryout field.
- Plan to arrive 30 minutes before the tryout start time to check-in and warm up. A check-in desk will be located near the snack shack. After check-in, players will be directed by BBC personnel to field WOP1 for the tryout.
- **PARENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND OR VIEW THE TRYOUTS.**
 - Parents are asked to return promptly for player pick-up when the tryout ends.
 - Each tryout is expected to last for 2 hours.
 - For a 6pm tryout start time, player pick up will occur at 8pm.
 - For a 7:15pm tryout start time, player pick up will occur at 9:15pm.

- **THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UP SESSIONS FOR TRAVEL TRYOUTS.**
 - To be fair to all players participating in tryouts, players need to be evaluated against the peers in their age group.
 - Please adjust your schedules accordingly to ensure your child's attendance at the tryout for their age group.
 - A rain date will be provided for tryouts that are cancelled due to poor weather.
- The BBC reserves the right to reschedule, cancel or combine age groups for tryouts based on the number of registrants in each age group.

Travel Team Formation

- The BBC will make every effort to complete team formation as quickly as possible after tryouts are complete. Tryout results for all teams will not be announced until after all 2025 fall travel seasons are complete in early November.
- Players will be notified via the BBC website, email and phone if invited to have a roster spot.
- **MAKE A NOTE OF YOUR PLAYER'S TRYOUT NUMBER.**
 - Results will be posted on the BBC website by player tryout number. No names will be posted.
- Travel managers for all 2026 teams will be announced simultaneously with the posting of travel teams. Team managers will not be announced prior to teams being announced.
- If a player is selected to play on a gold travel team, the player will be responsible for a \$200 Travel Registration Fee. This fee must be paid by the player's family to confirm their acceptance of an invitation to play travel baseball with the BBC. Players invited to play on a Blue team will be charged a \$150 Travel Registration Fee.
- Additional team costs to pay for leagues, tournaments, winter training and uniforms will be presented by each team manager after team formation is complete.
- All team information will be covered by the appointed Manager at a parent / players meeting to be held after team formation is complete.
- Blue teams
 - Blue travel teams **MAY** be formed once all gold team rosters have been confirmed.
 - Blue team formation is contingent on the number of players that tryout and not invited to play on Gold teams, as well as the availability of a volunteer to manage the team.
 - The BBC does not guarantee that Blue teams will be formed in each age group.
 - The BBC reserves the right to combine age groups in order to have enough players to complete formation of a Blue team.

Any questions, please email Nick at nikosantivachis@gmail.com.