Select 2025

General

"Select" is a program developed by USA Softball for girls seeking a higher level of competitive softball in addition to their recreational season. The SVGS SELECT teams will practice and/or play games together, once a week, during the recreational season. Members of the team will be on two teams - a spring recreational team and the Select team. Select teams are for 8U, 10U and 12U division players only. The 8U, 10U and 12U SELECT teams will consist of players that have developed a higher level of softball skills. Players who wish to participate on select teams and who are ultimately chosen to participate should aspire to be on an All-Star team for the upcoming All-Star Season.

The Simi Valley Girls Softball Select committees' goal is to form 2 teams per division. Some divisions may only have 1 team depending on interest and skill level. The divisions will be comprised of a Gold level and a Silver level team(s). The Select Committees goal is to form teams consisting of 12 to 14 players maximum. Players interested in participating in Select must fill out an interest form and agree to participate in 80% of the Select season, this includes and is not limited to practice and games. Players who do not comply in participation levels will not be eligible to participate in the All-Star season for that year. Not everyone who evaluates will be placed on a Select team.

The Select Committee is comprised of the Select Commissioner, President, and 4 board members. For each division the feedback from Fall managers will also be taken into consideration. Players will be scored using a point system and an overall score for overall ability. Evaluations will be turned into the select committee to tall and use for team formation. The Manager selected for the team will also submit an evaluation form.

Tryouts should take place in December, weather permitting. Ideally around the second week of December.

Manager Selection

Managers should submit their interest to the Board by the first week of December. There will be an interest list google form sent out. Any person interested in managing a Select team will also have to manage a Rec team. Being selected as a Select Manager does not guarantee you will be an All-Star Manager. There will be interviews with all interested Managers conducted by the Board. Manager selection will be done by the Board, including Board members with daughters in that division.

Player Interest

A Google Document will be sent out and should be filled out if a Parent/Guardian would like for their

player to be considered for Select.

Evaluations

Each Player will receive a number tag to wear during evaluations. This will assist evaluators with properly identifying and ranking players.

The Select Committee has agreed on the format below for evaluations.

<u>8u:</u>

Pitchers and catchers will arrive 45 min prior to fielders. Pitchers will warm up and will be evaluated by pitching to a coach/volunteer not to an 8u catcher.

Catchers will do a separate warm up/work out of receiving, blocking, and throwing down to gauge their skill levels.

All players will be evaluated on the following: Hitting, throwing, fielding, and ground balls in stations.

Evaluators will consist of 8u-fall managers and spring managers (as appropriate) along with board members with an evaluation sheet that is the same for everyone.

<mark>10u, 12u & 14u</mark>:

Tryouts will run for 1.5-2 hours.

The first half of the tryouts will consist of a warm up, typical to that of a game and will include a round of ground balls and pop flys to each player. The second half will be a Scrimmage/Inner Squad style game.

Those interested in trying out as a Pitcher or a Catcher should indicate so on the interest form to allow for proper planning.

**Depending on the number of Pitchers and Catchers, each pitcher will get one inning or a set number of batters to pitch to. Catchers will be rotated as appropriate.

Teams will be coached by volunteer board members. Evaluators will be 10u/12u/14u managers and board members.

Evaluators consist of 10u/12u/14u-fall managers and spring managers (as appropriate) along with board members with an evaluation sheet that is the same for everyone.

Player Selection

As noted on page one: Evaluators will submit their evaluation forms to the Select Commissioner. The Select committee, in consultation with the managers elected for that specific division will review the evaluation forms and determine the players on the Select team. These players will be selected based on skill level and ability.

Select Schedule

A meeting will be held with all select managers prior to January 1. Select managers are responsible for their own practice and game schedules, however they will be held accountable to meet the following requirements. Select can play or practice ONE day a week, and that cannot interfere with regular league play. League play comes first, ALWAYS. Select managers will turn their tentative schedule for the month to the Select Commissioner by the 1st of each month by email (no text messages). Failure to submit your monthly schedule will result in cancellation of your team's activities. Teams can play games in 3 of the 4 available days a month, and one day must be committed to practice, development, and learning. You can arrange this any way you want, but playing friendlies every weekend with the intention of winning is not the point of Select.

Western District Tournaments will be MANDATORY, there will be no exceptions. The Select Committee will register each team for these tournaments dates will be provided.

During Friendlies: Players must bat round robin. Line-ups must also rotate to allow for players to bat in different orders in the line-up. All players must play defensively for at least one inning per game.

During Tourneys: All players must play for at least one inning per game.

Select Cost

\$200 will be collected at the beginning of the Select season from each player.

This will go towards: (2) Dri Fits worn for Practices/Games, Amanda Socks and Western District tournaments.

Uniforms provided by SVGS are MANDATORY and no exceptions will be made. The Select Manager does have the pant color selection and the 2 colors for dri-fits.

*All Team Fundraisers must be approved by the Select Committee. The designated Team Administrator must keep financial records for the Select Season.