

Coquitlam Little League
2020 Junior Division
Info Sheet

Coquitlam Little League believes that every player should have a successful season. By offering more opportunities, players will be able to compete with kids of similar age and skill levels which will contribute to player's growth and development on and off the field. Using the league's Guiding Principles, Coquitlam Little League has identified a tiered 13-15 year old Junior program that will offer opportunities for interested players to play more games in a competitive environment while still offering a quality regular season schedule for all participants to compete at their respective skill level.

Structure & Schedule

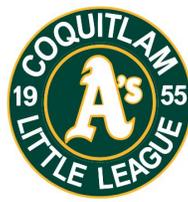
While other organizations run a 3-tiered program with A, AA and AAA, Coquitlam Little League will run a 2-tiered program with two regular season divisions; Tier 1 and Tier 2. Each division will have a full Little League schedule against teams from around Metro Vancouver and the Island. The schedule will run 2-3 days/week. Regular Season teams will be part of a Lower Mainland schedule with standings and meaningful games. There will also be tournament opportunities.

The Tier 1 Blue Mountain Timberjacks club program offers players additional baseball opportunities outside of the Little League program. The amount of teams and age of teams in the Blue Mountain Timberjacks program will depend on registration and caliber but will include additional practices and additional games against PBL and BC Minor teams as well as participation in tournaments in Washington State.

The schedule for both divisions will run until June 1st as Coquitlam Little League runs an All Star program where teams compete at a Provincial, National and World Series level.

Fee

The Junior Divisions Registration Fees are \$300. All players trying out for the Blue Mountain Timberjacks must be registered with Coquitlam Little League. Players chosen for a Club Team will be required to pay \$200 for a total of \$500. Club Team fees do not include travel costs and tournament entry fees.



FAQs

What division is best for my child?

As a community baseball organization, Coquitlam Little League's regular season will focus on development and the in game experience. With minimum play rules and ample opportunity for kids to choose the positions they like most, try new positions and develop skills, the Tier 2 division is geared towards players that love baseball but do not want to commit to the demands of the Tier 1 division including time commitment, lack of player rotation and a game heavy schedule or would have a hard time competing in the Tier 1 division.

The Blue Mountain Timberjacks Club Team program is best suited for players who want to challenge themselves. At this division, players will focus on a limited number of positions in a game heavy schedule. With no mandatory play and more games, this division is best suited for competitive players who have had prior success in their baseball career and want to advance that. Players are expected to commit to minimum 80% of team functions (practices, games and tournaments).

How are players chosen?

Interested players must attend tryouts. In addition to tryouts, consideration is given to prior year's performance, suitability on the team and age.

How many players are on each team?

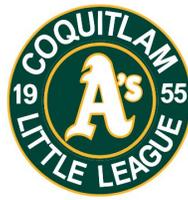
Both Tier 1 and Tier 2 division teams will have 12-15 players. Consideration may be given to a callup system for players who are not chosen to a Timberjacks team so they can have opportunities to participate in practices and games.

How are coaches chosen?

Coaches are chosen through an application process that considers years of experience, baseball training and training related to coaching youth in sports. In person interviews will be conducted if necessary. All interested coaches can find application details on the Coquitlam Little League website.

How do these divisions impact summer baseball?

Regardless of division, all players who meet eligibility requirements (participation in 60% of games) can tryout for a summer baseball team. All Star teams compete at a Provincial level. The winner of the Provincial tournament represents British Columbia at the Canadian



Championship. The winner of the Canadian Championship represents Canada at the World Series. Players can tryout for two All Star teams; Junior (League Age 13/14) and Intermediate (League Age 13), and one Select team if there is enough interest; (League Age 13/14) Junior Selects will play tournaments into the summer.

Are there additional costs to registration?

Coquitlam Little League tries to keep baseball affordable for families. Additional expenses include travel costs to games including tournaments (gas, meals, lodgings etc).

Why Little League instead of BC Minor?

Little League offers a post season baseball season unlike any other organization with a potential Provincial, National and World Series tournament experience but struggles to have a regular season that is comparable to BC Minor because of the schedule and frequency of meaningful games that BC Minor offers. As an organization, Little League is creating standings and tournaments to offer meaningful regular season games. The Timberjacks Club Teams will create additional opportunities for games against equal or better teams including more tournament experiences for meaningful games. Both the Tier 1 and Tier 2 regular season divisions will give players more meaningful games by participating in a League standings and championship. By doing this, Coquitlam Little League will offer an equal or better regular season experience as well as a post season unlike any other organization.