

CHPBA Cooperstown COVID Amendment¹

Whereas there exists a health emergency in the State of California, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, such that state and local officials have prevented the continuation of youths sports leagues and the use of public baseball fields as of March 2020 through the present, CHPBA was unable to select a Sabres team for summer 2021 by use of its active CHPBA Cooperstown Policy. Therefore, the CHPBA Board of Directors has adopted this amendment to the CHPBA Cooperstown Policy for use in selection of the summer 2021 team only. Once the summer 2021 Sabres team is selected, this amendment will be considered to have been withdrawn or revoked.

This amendment is not intended to modify, amend, change or revoke any portion of the CHPBA Cooperstown policy, other than paragraph 1 on page of that policy regarding selection. All other parts of the CHPBA Cooperstown policy remain in force and effect, and apply to the summer 2021 team.

Selection:

The CHPBA Board shall identify any CHPBA player who is age-qualified for the Sabres using the CHPBA Cooperstown policy, which provides that for summer 2021, all players must have been born between May 1, 2008 and April 30, 2009. All players who evaluate must have played a season at Cheviot in either summer 2019, fall 2019 or spring 2020. Those players will be notified that they are age-qualified to evaluate for the 2021 Sabres, will be asked to reply with their acceptance of the invitation to evaluate by a date certain. Responses after that date will not be accepted, and such players will have forfeited their opportunity to evaluate, absent extraordinary circumstances. Whether extraordinary circumstances exist will be decided by the CHPBA Executive Committee.²

All age-qualified players who respond affirmatively to the invitation to evaluate, will be sent a questionnaire to be returned by a date certain. Responses after that date will not be accepted. Questionnaires handed in on the day of evaluations will not be accepted. If the player fails to turn in a questionnaire, they may still evaluate if they responded affirmatively to the invitation as set forth above, but the lack of a questionnaire may be considered in selecting the team, absent extraordinary circumstances. Whether extraordinary circumstances exist will be decided by the CHPBA Executive Committee.

There will be two days of evaluations, of up to three hours each. Any player who fails to attend the full two days of evaluations will forfeit their opportunity to be

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² Extraordinary circumstances include a player's injury or illness, such that they are physically unable to be evaluated. Unavailability of the player due to vacation or other commitments does not constitute extraordinary circumstances.

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No parent whose player is evaluating will be allowed in the dugout or on the field during evaluations. The evaluations will be conducted by Jim Ardell, Joel Simon and Ryan Odums, with the assistance as needed of one to two other members of the CHPBA board whose children are not evaluating. The sole determination of how the evaluations will be run, how long they will take, and drills players will be asked to do will be made by Jim Ardell, Joel Simon and Ryan Odums.

Once evaluations have been completed, and the scores tallied, Jim Ardell, Joel Simon, and the All Star Commissioner will meet to determine the final roster for the Sabres with input from Ryan Odums, as well as selecting the 2021 Sabres parent manager. The roster and the manager will be announced by no later than 72 hours after the evaluations.