

Athletic Board Policies

Child Placement Policy

1. Requests for child placement on a team is just that, A REQUEST. Requests for car-pooling, babysitting, neighbors, best friends, etc. should be considered by the coaches involved. However, these request should not interfere with the team division policy.
2. It will be the coaches decision as to the final placement of kids on their particular grades teams, not the Athletic Board.
3. If a parent requests for a team change for their child after the teams have been selected, it will be up to the individual coaches to decide whether that will take place or not based on the rules stated under the team division process.
4. If all efforts are made by the coaches involved to accommodate the parent's request and the parents are still not satisfied, they will be offered their money back, minus any funds already distributed to CYO for team fees and player fees.
5. It is recommended that if a coach has had a particular issue with a child or parent in previous venues, he or she take that into account during the selection process.

Team Selection Policy

1. Per CYO policy, if more than one team is being formed in a particular sport/grade, those teams will be divided equally according to talent. The only exception to this policy is in the seventh and eighth grades. In these grades, an 'A' Team will be formed and placed into a competitive bracket with other schools of similar caliber.
2. Independent evaluators will be utilized where ever possible to ensure proper team placement. For selection purposed, players must attend at least one tryout session to be considered for the 'A' Team.
3. The current St. Albert policy is if more than one team exist after that, those teams will be divided equally. CYO does not have a formal policy on how to divide teams after the 'A' division. They recommend that the teams be divided equally but that this is only a recommendation and not a requirement.
4. CYO is willing to work with each parish to ensure that all their teams are placed in a competitive division whenever possible. Pre-season meetings are held annually with the seventh and eighth grade coaches to finalize team placement.

Coaches Selection Policy

1. On the student/ athlete's registration form, the parents are asked if they would like to be a head or assistant coach for a team.
2. Individual applications are also accepted from those individuals not having a child in the program but who are interested in coaching.
3. Each of these individuals will be expected to complete the coaching questionnaire outlining their experience with coaching as well as their reasons for coaching at St. Albert's.
4. The Athletic Board will review all candidates for coaching and make a final decision on which individuals are best suited to coach.
5. The decision made by the Board is final and can only be changed with a majority of the Boards' approval.
6. Coaches will be disqualified from coaching if they have not completed the required training programs outlined by CYO and/or St. Alberts Athletic Board. These training programs are:
 - a. Virtus Training
 - b. CYO Coaches Training Class
 - c. Fingerprinted at the Rectory
7. Selection of Assistant Coaches is left completely to the Head Coach.
8. It is recommended that the Head Coach utilize parental assistants whenever possible.
9. 'B' Team coaches will be finalized after the 'A' Team selection process is completed.
10. No multi-year coaching agreements will be made. Coaching a team one year does not guarantee that position in subsequent years. Coaching decisions will be made prior to the season and by the current Athletic Board.