

# R.H.S Baseball Tryout Meeting 2021

Due to Covid, Tryout information is online.

**Coaching Staff**    Jay Applegate                      Amos Bright  
                                 Matt Garn    Dave Piersall  
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**When:** Monday March 1st thru March 6th (Tryouts may be completed before the 6th)

**Who:** Boys grades 9-12 who meet the following requirements:

1. Registered at Riverton High School and in compliance with all Jordan District and/or UHSAA eligibility requirements. Including any transfers.
2. Academic eligibility (minimum 2.0 G.P.A. from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter with no more than one "F" or NG).
3. 9<sup>th</sup> graders will need to bring a copy of their 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report card.

**Costs:** For those that make the team, the participation fee is \$175. Must be paid before first game. Players will also be responsible for buying the following team items: hats, socks, hitting shirt, sleeves etc (Wolf pack, approx \$ 175.00 - \$200.00)  
( Spring Trip approx. 450.00)

**2021 Team Size:** The teams usually consist of 25 to 35 players.

**Criteria:** Riverton has long been known for being a good baseball area. Selecting 25 to 35 players will be very difficult. Making cuts is not easy, nor enjoyable for the coaching staff. We will select players who we feel will form the best teams now and in the future. **It will be very difficult to make this team. The unfortunate reality of baseball in a 6A school is that there will be good baseball players not selected due to numbers and some of the criteria listed below.**

- Experience in organized, competitive school baseball
- G.P.A., Attendance, and Citizenship
- Ability to play at a 6A high school level
- Coach ability and Attitude

- Position, (where can you play and WHAT DOES THE TEAM NEED?)
- Eligibility remaining (are you a Sr? Jr? Soph? Frosh?)
- Athletic ability and certain skills (bat speed, arm strength, quickness, fielding)
- Ability to learn new skills at a reasonable pace
- Commitment to team concepts (willing to make sacrifices, how will you react if your #1 on the team vs #35?, pre-season vs state tournament, how will your parents react, etc)
- Fundamental skills (catching, throwing, hitting, pitching, fielding)
- Character: Both on and off the field
- TEAM player “ I vs WE”
- Citizenship in the school and community (Do you obey school rules? Do you obey the law?)
- If a younger player is better or equal than the older player we will keep the younger player.

**Tryout Format:** Our format for tryouts will depend upon the actual number of players trying out. We are expecting a large number of kids and will do our best to observe the following areas.

- General conditioning and athletic ability.
- Arm strength
- Speed, Quickness
- Defensive skills (soft hands, foot work, catch & throw)
- Offensive skills (batting, base running, bunting)
- Position Play
- How competitive they are?
- Knowledge of the game.
- Baseball instincts

**Tryout Attire:** Make sure you have appropriate gear for both inside and outside. We will be outside whenever possible, dress appropriately.

**Sign Up List:** If you are still planning on trying out, please sign up on the sheet with your grade on it before you leave tonight. E-mail your name, grade and your main position you will be trying out for. You will be able to try out for multiple positions.

**Tentative Tryout Times:** Outside or inside depending upon the weather.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> = 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders 2:30pm to 4:00pm, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> (outside) Same as Monday. (Inside) 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders 6:00pm to 7:30, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.