



ELK GROVE YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE

2026 Academic All-American Application

The Elk Grove Youth Baseball League will recognize our student-athlete scholars who have excelled in the classroom and persevered on the baseball field with our Academic All-American Award program.

PURPOSE

- ★ Encourage players to learn how to balance responsibilities at home, school, and extra-curricular activities.
- ★ Emphasize the importance of good grades, citizenship, and community participation with the Elk Grove Youth Baseball League.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Each candidate must complete the attached application.
- Each candidate must submit a 1 to 3 paragraph essay that answers the following question:
What is one way that working hard in school helps you become a better leader on your team?
 Rookie and Single A players are encouraged to participate; their essay may be age appropriate.
- All candidates must have a 3.0 GPA or higher. Pass/Fail classes are excluded. (See grade calculation below)
- At least four core subjects (Math, English, Social Studies/History, and Science) must be taken with grades submitted.
- GPA must be earned during the 2026 baseball season.
- Students are ineligible if they have a “D”, “F”, or “N” in any academic area or a “U” grade for Citizenship.

COMPUTATION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE

- GPA’s will be computed using the following formula:

A, 4/5, E (Excellent), or + (plus)	4 grade points
B, 3, G (Good), or ✓ (check)	3 grade points
C, 2, S (Satisfactory)	2 grade points

Gold (GPA of 4.0+)
Silver (GPA of 3.5–3.99)
Bronze (GPA of 3.0–3.49)

Add points earned by the grades using the table above and divide the sum by the number of grades given.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. Application packets **must be stapled** in the upper left corner - **no folders**.
2. Applications must be **complete** and turned into the **Rau snack bar** no later than **Sunday, April 19, 2026** at the end of the Hit-a-Thon.
3. Incomplete or late application packets will be returned to the player without consideration.

Packets must include the following:

- Completed application form
- Copy of a recent progress report or report card
- 1 to 3 paragraph essay (see above)

RECOGNITION

All students who turn in a completed, eligible application on or before the deadline will be recognized at the celebration on Sunday, May 3, 2026. The recognition will take place at Jan Rau Park. The ceremony will begin promptly at 2 PM.

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Due April 19, 2026 by the end of the Hit-a-Thon.

Scholar Athlete's Name: _____

Player's Division and Team: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Player's School: _____

Player's Shirt Size: Circle Youth / Adult Size: _____

Will the player attend the awards ceremony? Circle Yes / No

We, the undersigned, believe that the information included in this application was prepared by the applicant and is accurate to the best of our knowledge.

Player's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

Packets received after the deadline of April 19, 2026 by the end of the Hit-a-Thon will not be considered. Incomplete packets will be returned to the player without consideration. No exceptions!

Application Received/Reviewed by: _____ Date: _____

Recognition level earned (circle one): Gold (4.0+) Silver (3.5–3.9) Bronze (3.0–3.4)