

## Yucaipa Calimesa Girls Softball Fall Select Program

The Yucaipa Calimesa Girls Softball League is proud to offer a Select Program through USA Softball. The Select Program is in place for those recreational players that have developed a higher level of softball skill and are not yet ready to make the jump to travel softball. Per USA Softball, "The Select Program was established to provide an additional opportunity for players who wish to improve their softball skills beyond the regular league season but who have not yet reached the Junior Olympic "A" Classification (travel ball) skill level. This program is for 8U through 14U players who wish to improve their softball skills and thereby benefit themselves as well as their league."

The Select Program is sanctioned by USA Softball and has specific rules. The program provides the opportunity for more advanced players to practice and play games together against other leagues at a more challenging level. Select requires travel to other cities within Southern California and requires a greater time and financial commitment compared to the regular recreational season. Fall select team practices and/or games are held on Sundays. Fall recreational teams' practices/games always supersede Select team practices/games.

Playing on a Select team does not guarantee a spot on future YCGS all star teams.

The Fall Select season ends December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

### Rules/Regulations:

1. Potential eligible divisions: 8U through 14U unless otherwise stated.
2. Players must be registered for YCGS Fall 2025 season to be eligible.
3. Rosters typically range from 10-12 players per team.
4. Divisional tryouts will be conducted for the selection of each Select Team. The tryout date will be posted by the league and is open to all players in good standing. Parents should review the "Fall Select Program Commitment Letter" ahead of the tryouts.
5. Players are permitted to participate in Class A Softball (aka, Travel Ball) concurrently with YCGS FALL Select. However, players are NOT permitted to participate in Class A Softball and SPRING Select.

NOTE – If your player falls in this category (travel ball), you must disclose this to the league prior to tryouts. Also, be aware that players must cease travel ball participation as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026 if they wish to be eligible for 2026 All Stars. This date is subject to change and is determined by USA Softball, YCGS.

6. Players **MUST** play in their age-appropriate division, according to the USA Softball 2026 Age Chart, regardless of the division played during the spring season.

**7. Players that are chosen to the Fall Select team must attend a minimum of 75% of their regular Fall team's events (practices/games). Failure to do so can result in the player being removed from the Select team.**

8. Player/Parent commitment to ALL travel, time, and financial commitments must be agreed upon BEFORE the final roster is approved.

**Selection process:**

1. Select tryouts are open to **ALL** YCGS 2025 Fall season registered players. However, not every player is guaranteed to make a Select team.
2. Tryouts will be run by the respective manager for each division with assistance from the YCGS Board.
3. Following tryouts, the Select Manager for each division will submit a roster with players of his or her choice. This roster will be reviewed by the YCGS All Star/Select committee and the YCGS Board for approval.  
Players will be notified via email on whether they made a Select team.
4. Practices will begin immediately after tryouts.

**NOTE:**

- It is not an USA Softball/YCGS requirement that every rec team have a Select player selected into the Select team. YCGS board members will do their best to approve players based on, but not limited to: experience, age, safety, physical ability, primary position, coachability, etc. It is possible that some “Select worthy” players will not be able to be placed on the Select roster due to space allowed.
- There is no guarantee that all divisions will have a Fall Select team. Factors taken into consideration include available managers/coaches, adequate pitchers/catchers, and adequate talent to compete with the high-level of play. If it is determined that YCGS does not have the necessary players to adequately compete against other leagues, it is a possibility that the specific division(s) may not create a Fall Select team for 2025.

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