

Out of Town Players (OOTP)

1. HYAA will allow OOTP beginning Jan 1, 2022. As this is the first time HYAA has allowed OOTP, the HYAA Executive Committee (EC) reserves the right to modify and adjust the rules at any time, including rescinding OOTP. HYAA's philosophy is to provide, promote and give Holmdel kids the opportunity to play as many different sports as possible through our Rec and Travel programs. Since HYAA offers many sports and will continue to expand and offer new sports, there is a need to expand the player pool. HYAA is committed to remaining a Rec and Travel sport activities association. HYAA will not become a "club or AAU" type organization.

2. As each sport is unique, each sport interested in OOTP needs to submit their plan via email to HYAA. The EC needs to approve the plan, prior to implementation. This is for Rec and Travel sports. For the Rec programs, HYAA will accept registrations from every Holmdel kid that wants to play. Should a Rec league/team need additional players to form a league, HYAA will accept OOTP registrations.

3. HYAA EC has some broad parameters each sport needs to consider. This applies to both Rec and Travel accordingly:

A. No Holmdel player can be cut unless the following occurs: (IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT NO HOLMDEL PLAYER GETS CUT FROM REC. THIS ONLY APPLIES TO TRAVEL TEAMS IN WHICH THERE IS A REC PROGRAM. IF A SPORT DOES NOT OFFER A SEPARATE REC AND TRAVEL PROGRAM THEN EVERY HOLMDEL KID THAT WANTS TO PLAY GETS TO PLAY. ONLY IN CASES THAT HAVE BOTH REC AND TRAVEL CAN A HOLMDEL KID POTENTIALLY BE CUT)

1. Reasonableness/Common sense should prevail - i.e.: if tryout evaluation grades are close, the Holmdel player should be chosen. Another example: 12 player spots for a team, one Holmdel player potentially cut and no B or C team option, the coach/evaluators should take the player, but before taking the Holmdel player, they must have a candid conversation with the parents prior to the team being finalized. The conversation should be in regard to the Holmdel player's position on the team, any potential safety concerns, and potential limited play time.

2. Holmdel player(s) not making A team, must be given opportunity for B/C team.

B. Mandatory: an objective tryout must occur. (Refer to travel team document)

C. 75% Holmdel kids per grade/age group for each sport.

D. If there is a clear safety issue a Holmdel player may be cut. Prior to doing so, the EC must be made aware of the reason(s) why, and a conversation must be had between the coach/evaluator and the parents explaining the safety issues.

4. Each sport will have its own rules as each sport is unique. Each sport's rules will be posted on the HYAA website, under the sport's website tab.