



CNY Baseball Academy

CNY Baseball Academy is owned and operated by Geddes's own Jason Macko and Greg Sampo who bring multiple years of experience to youth baseball.

CNY Baseball Academy is formerly known as CNY All-Stars and has taken the foundation that has been built over the last 20 years by former longtime Geddes President Jim Alford, who proved to be years ahead of his time by being one of the pioneers to bring travel baseball to Syracuse. His Cooperstown teams were legendary for their high quality practices and game time performance. Ranking a number of times in the top 10 in the country and as well as a first place finish at the famous Cooperstown Field of Dreams Park Tournament.

Jason Macko is a former 4-Year high school Varsity Starter and Division 1 Player & Pro-Prospect (West Virginia University & St. Bonaventure University). Jason has over 20 years competitive coaching experience starting out after college as one of the areas youngest High School JV & Varsity coaches in the State when he coached in the Fayetteville-Manlius District. He was a first Team Atlantic Ten catcher in college and starred in the Empire State Games '90 and Babe Ruth World Series '91, '92. He also earned First Team honors as a Junior and Senior at CBA. He has also excelled with individual lessons over the last 10 years teaching the necessary fundamentals of hitting, fielding, throwing and pitching from the basic to advanced levels. His passion is seeing young players develop at their own pace and foster a love for the game, through hard work, dedication and commitment. All necessary characteristics that carry over into adulthood.

Greg Sampo has over 10 plus years of youth baseball coaching experience and has run and operated the CNY All-Star travel program for Jim Alford for the last 3 years. He has successfully carried on the winning tradition Jim Alford has built. Greg excels at teaching team fundamentals of the game and the importance of high standards. Beyond the field, Greg excels at creating advanced programs for young players to participate in and finding unique and exciting venues for team play.

CNY Baseball Academy membership will include weekend tournaments and weekly games with the focus being in the local Syracuse area. Please note the term Travel Baseball is misleading, 99% of all games are played locally. This program will also include accelerated practices and one on one instruction. As part of this membership each player will be given an individual assessment of strengths and areas that need special attention. This assessment is specific to your

child ONLY and CNY Baseball Academy will design a specific program to meet your child's needs and track the progress (no other program does this).

1:1 lessons are available through CNY Baseball Academy to all non-travel members as well.