



2023 USA Softball of Sacramento Select Program

5 CITIES SCREAMING EAGLES

PURPOSE:

USA Softball of Sacramento has developed the USA Softball Select Program for recreational softball leagues to create a more competitive environment for players to participate in while remaining with their respective recreational leagues. The Select program is a recreation-based program and managed by an approved Recreational League.

5 Cities Softball will participate in this program for the 2023 season with the intent of fielding at least one 10U, 12U and 14U USA Softball of Sacramento Select team. Forming a Select Team will be dependent on registration numbers for each division in our league as well as the participation of other leagues and availability of qualified coaches.

COACHES:

5 Cities Softball uses a selection committee of board members that review the applications of candidates that submitted a Screaming Eagle coach's application by the set deadline. The coaches for each division are:

- 14u- Harry Jones
- 12u- Dustin Smith
- 10u- Lauran Smith

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Players ***must be registered with 5 Cities Softball*** to be eligible to participate on the USA Softball of Sacramento Select Team (Screaming Eagles).
2. All players must live within the approved boundaries of 5 Cities Softball.
3. Players ***will have the option*** to play on a 5 Cities recreational team in conjunction with the Select Screaming Eagles Team.
4. Any player that participates with any other team outside of their recreational league or Screaming Eagles Team during the rec league season will forfeit their eligibility.
5. All players must participate in a tryout for their respective divisions.
6. Selected USA Softball of Sacramento Select Team Screaming Eagles players will not be eligible for All-Stars.

SCHEDULE:

The USA Softball of Sacramento Select Team (Screaming Eagles) is primarily a tournament-based team with rec league / interleague games mixed during the Spring season. The tournament schedule starts in February and runs through July. There will be 8 scheduled tournaments during this time. The intent is also for this team to play in their respective Western National Tournament, if qualified, the last week in July or first week of August. Traditionally we will add a tournament in Tahoe the 2nd week of July as well.

Dates	Tournament Name	Tournament Host
February 25-26	Spring Series I	TBD
March 5	Spring Series II	TBD
March 12	Spring Series III	TBD
April 15-16	Spring Series IV	TBD
May 7	Spring Series V	TBD
June 10-11	Stars of Cordova	Cordova Girls Softball
June TBD	Piece of the Rock	Rocklin Girls Softball

June 23-25	Association 'B' Championship	USA Softball of Sacramento
July - TBD	Tahoe / Incline	Capitol Sports
10u- TBD	Western Nationals (if qualified)	Southern California
12u- July 24-30	Western Nationals (if qualified)	Roseville ,CA
14u- July 24-30	Western Nationals (if qualified)	Roseville, CA

COST:

- Players must be registered with 5 Cities Softball and have paid the regular registration fees. Registration fees are **NON-REFUNDABLE.**
- Once the player has made a USA Softball of Sacramento Select Team (Screaming Eagles) there will be an additional fee of \$650/player (based on a 12 player per team format). This fee will cover all 8 tournament entry fees and uniforms. The Tahoe and Western Nationals (if qualified) will be at an additional cost. Fundraising may be done on a team-by-team basis to offset additional costs.

TRYOUTS:

Tryouts will be held in November (see website for dates and times for each division). Players who wish to participate on the Screaming Eagles Select Team must attend the tryout as specified. Tryouts will be led by the selected Coach and a 5 Cities Board Member Selected Committee. Players will be selected based on the tryout by the Coach and Board Committee.

CLASSIFICATIONS:

- All teams in the Select program will be classified as USA Softball of Sacramento 'B' Teams regardless of league size. 'B' Teams, including individual players participating in the Select program cannot be re-classified to the Class 'C' All-Star program.
- The All-Star program has been re-classified by USA Sacramento and Nor Cal to Class 'C'. This by no means diminishes the competitiveness of the All-Star program but just a re-classification due to the new Select 'B' program. The JO Commissioner is responsible for re-classifying teams to the division which they feel the team will be the most competitive. If for instance we did not field a USA Softball of Sacramento Select Team in a certain division, that All-Star team could and probably would be re-classified as a 'B' Team and compete against other Select teams during the All-Star tournament play.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / NOTES:

- Players not selected for a Select Team will be eligible and encouraged to try out for the All-Star team in their division.
- The Select program now allows 5 Cities Softball to field multiple teams in each division for the Stars of Cordova, Piece of the Rock and Association Championship Tournaments in June / July. This allows more of our players to participate in tournament play.
- The 8U division also fields and All-Star team and competes in the All-Star Tournaments.
- USA Softball of Sacramento (Screaming Eagles) Teams should have the goal of qualifying and attending the USA Western Nationals the last week in July or first week in August.
- All-Star Teams are eligible and should have the goal to qualify and participate in the Class 'C' State Regionals.
- USA Softball of Sacramento (Screaming Eagles) Teams may NOT participate in any non-USA Softball of Sacramento sanctioned events. If they do, they will be re-classified to 'A'.

For questions and inquiries please contact our Screaming Eagles coordinator: Dennis Buskirk (screamingeagles@5citiessoftball.org)

Thank you for your continued support,

5 Cities Girls Fast Pitch Softball