



### Soccer

Fall soccer begins the first week of September and runs through the end of October with a jamboree on the last Saturday of October.

### Grades K-1

Boys and girls play together at this level. Both the field and goals are smaller.

### Grades 2-3

This level is played on a small field with medium-sized goals. There are separate boys and girls teams.

### Grades 4-6 and 7-9

This age group plays on regular sized fields with regulation goals at the Norris School with some travel to Gateway, Hadley & Northampton schools.



### BASKETBALL

The teams are broken down as follows:

#### Girls

Grades 1-3 - play in the cafeteria  
Grades 4-6 - play in the Norris Gym with travel to Easthampton

#### Boys

Grades 1-2 - play in the cafeteria  
Grades 3-4 - play in the cafeteria and Gym  
Grades 5-6 - play in the Norris Gym

\*SYAA events are not sponsored by the Norris School.

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Fall 2011

# Southampton Youth Athletic Association

### Meetings

SYAA meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Edwards Public Library in the Community Room, East Street, Southampton. The meetings are open to the public and those who are interested are encouraged to attend.

SYAA includes both the towns of Southampton and Westhampton. Any child residing in or attending a public school in either of these towns is eligible to play SYAA sports when age/grade requirements are met and league rules allow.

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Ed Ghareeb	529-9559
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Please contact Jim Bischoff if interested in filling an open position.

## **Registration Information Important Dates**

### **SYAA Basketball Sign-ups**

Norris - October 29 at Soccer Jamboree  
Norris - November 2, 3 and 4 - During  
Parent/Teacher conferences at Norris  
Sign-up deadline – November 7

### **Suburban Basketball Tryouts**

Sign-up is at time of SYAA registration if  
interested in trying out for a suburban team.  
This is a competitive league and playing time is  
not equal for every child who makes the team.

Suburban Tryout Dates will be listed on the  
SYAA web-site at **WWW.SYAA.ORG**.



### **SYAA Softball, Baseball, T-Ball Sign-ups**

Norris-Feb 18 and Feb 25 (tentative)  
Softball sign-up deadline – March 31  
Baseball sign-up deadline – March 31

### **SYAA Soccer Sign-ups**

Conant – Baseball Jamboree June (tentative)  
Sign-up deadline - August 1

### **Contact Sport President for more information (see Board of Directors)**

Registration fee is subject to each sport and will be posted at  
each sport season with a maximum registration fee for three  
children where fourth is free, highest price prevails. Financial  
assistance may be available by speaking with the president of the  
individual sport. Application forms are available at registration  
time or at the website ([www.syaa.org](http://www.syaa.org)). After deadline date,  
registrants will be put on a waiting list and there will be a \$30  
late fee in addition to the registration fee.

Volunteers are needed for coaching positions for all sports and  
age levels. Please discuss opportunities with the President of the  
sport.

## **Girls Softball**

### **Grades K-2**

Youths who are of age 5 as of 9/1/11 are  
eligible to play. It is a mix of hitting a soft  
softball off a tee and coach pitch. Home field  
is Norris School.

### **10 & Under**

Youths who are of age as of 1/1/12. Players  
pitch to the batters using an ASA approved 11"  
softball. Focus is on developing and  
advancing all softball skills and positions.  
Home field is Norris School. Teams play  
other teams from Southampton, Gateway,  
Easthampton & Northampton.

### **12 & Under**

Youths who are of age as of 1/1/12. Players  
pitch to the batters using an ASA approved  
12" softball. Focus is on developing and  
advancing all softball skills and positions.  
Home field is Norris School. Teams play  
other teams from Southampton, Gateway,  
Easthampton & Northampton.

### **Suburban Softball**

S.Y.A.A. has traveling softball teams that play  
after the regular season. There is a 12 & under  
team and a 14 & under team. Age as of  
1/1/12. Tryouts are held in May. Season  
starts in June and ends first week of August.  
An additional fee applies if you make the  
team.



## **T-Ball and Coach Pitch**

All youths who are age 5 as of May 1, 2012, are  
eligible to play. Players hit a small "soft" ball  
off a tee. Focus is on beginning skills:  
throwing, batting, running and fielding. Home  
field is Conant Park. Coach pitch is available  
for the older children within the T-Ball League.  
The ball is pitched by a coach.



## **Baseball**

Proof of age may be required. Everyone who  
tries out will be assigned to play on a team.  
Selecting teams starts after Majors Tryout in the  
first week of April. Minors, Coach Pitch and T-  
ball teams will be picked by April 28.

**Mickey Mantle League** Ages 14-16 Tryouts  
required for 14 year olds. An additional fee  
applies if you make the team.

**Junior League** Ages 13-14 Tryouts required for  
13 year olds & new players.

**Major League** Ages 10-12 by May 1, 2012 -  
Tryouts required for all age eligible.

**Minor League** Ages 8-11 by May 1, 2012

## **Sponsor Information**

The SYAA is a non-profit association and  
contributions are tax deductible. We receive no  
funding from the participating towns. Sponsors  
are needed for the 2012 season. Please contact  
Tammy Walunas at 529-0201 for more  
information.

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