



MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL SHOWCASE

SHOWCASE FORMAT & INFORMATION

Purpose / Objective of Showcase

1. Provide a venue where the best junior baseball players from Minnesota are selected to play in an invitational tournament.
2. Provide a venue where athletes are exposed to dozens of collegiate and professional scouts.
3. Provide a tournament atmosphere where Minnesota's best talent can compete with and against each other.
4. Make the Showcase as affordable as possible for all to attend.
5. Provide the college coaches and pro scouts attendance with meaningful skill testing results for all players participating in the Showcase

Showcase Format

Games

The showcase will provide the players selected two games. Games will be played on fields adjacent to one another allowing all scouts and coaches the opportunity to see everyone play. All games will have two umpires.

Skill Evaluation

Players will be tested in their primary position and on the mound if they are a pitcher. Skill testing will take place on the diamond during pre- game infield. The first day will have a mandatory format to include the following:

- **Outfielders** will all throw from deep right field (no cut off man) and take two throws to second base and one throw to third base during their first round. During the second round each outfielder throw two balls to home. Each player receives a total of five throws.
- **Infielders** will all throw from shortstop (excluding 1st baseman). Each player will throw three balls the first round and rotate. Each player will throw two balls during the second round for a total of five throws.
- **Catchers** will each throw five balls to second base (glove to glove timing) throwing three balls the first round and two the second round.
- **Pitchers** will be evaluated during game competition. Each team will have approximately seven pitchers. Every pitcher will throw one inning during their team's first game (a couple may throw two). All pitchers will have the opportunity to throw again during their second game.
- **60 Yard Dash** - All players will be timed in the 60 yard dash during the first day of the showcase.

Pro Scout & Collegiate Coach Representation

Showtime Sports has worked with over 100 different collegiate coaches and professional scouts during the last 13 years. Last year we had over 40 coaches & scouts in attendance. We will invite these organizations and schools again along with many others. Showtime Sports can not guarantee attendance by any scout or collegiate coach. Our goal is to get as many collegiate coaches and professional scouts to attend the event as possible. Currently, the Illinois tournament held at Stevenson High School draws approximately 100 coaches and scouts per year. We are again collaborating with the director of that tournament to expand our contacts and hope to continue drawing a good representation from the Midwest.

Player Selection Process

Coaches will nominate players from their team who they believe will play college baseball or are in the top twenty players of their class within their conference.

Nominated player information must include the following:

- Players First and Last Name
- Players Home Mailing Address
- Full High School Name
- Primary Position
- Secondary Position
- Projected collegiate playing ability upon graduation (Division I, II, III, etc.).

Showtime Sports will evaluate the nominated players and invite players based on these nominations. Showtime Sports will then contact the selected players with the showcase information and registration details.

Player Notification Process

All players will receive an email or a letter from Showtime Sports informing them of their selection. Showtime Sports will then mail a registration form and letter detailing the event.

Showcase Coaches

Showtime Sports will select high school coaches to work the showcase. We believe it is important for high school coaches be involved with the event and believe that it will solidify the relationship between the Minnesota State High School Baseball Coaches Association and Showtime Sports.

College & Professional Scouts

- **Check-In**
Please report to the Showcase Tent located at the complex. We would request that you supply our staff with a business card upon arrival so we can accurately track which schools and organizations attend.
- **Yearbooks**
Yearbooks will include player profiles to include name, address, school, primary and secondary positions, academic information, and high school coach contact information. These will be available for \$25.00 at the event and can be purchased at the Showcase Tent. If a coach or scout can not attend the event, you may purchase a yearbook after the event for \$50. These will be available only while supplies last.

- **Programs**

The program will include team rosters, game and workout schedule. These are available to purchase for \$5.00 at the Showcase Tent.