

Dear Parents of Baseball Players,

We are very excited to be starting baseball at Era ISD this season. We understand that there will be questions concerning what to buy your son for this season, especially the type of glove that they will need. We provide catchers equipment and gloves for this position, so if your son is the catcher he will not need to buy a catchers mitt. We also provide a right handed first basemen's mitt at the varsity level.

If your son is new to the sport, we advise that you buy them around a 12inch glove. This is a universal sized glove for both infield and outfield. If your son has played baseball and knows that they are an infielder, a shorter glove is better but nothing less than 11.5 inches. Also, if your son knows that they are an outfielder a longer glove is better but nothing over 13 inches. Brand or color is not all that important at the moment. Gloves can be very expensive, I would advise you to check out second hand sports stores and purchase a glove for around \$30 or so to get them started.

Here is an example of a 12 inch universal glove...which can be used at all positions except catcher



Items your son must have

- Compression shorts with a cup (can be googled or bought at any sports store)
- Baseball glove as explained above (around 12 inches)
- Baseball cleats (metal or plastic)
- Baseball cap (which is purchased through the school) details will come later

Other items that are not required but can be purchased

- Baseball bat (we provide bats for practice and games) if you do want to buy your son a bat it must be UIL certified bbcore (32 inches is what we have available, I would advise buying anywhere between a 31-33)
- Batting gloves (help you grip the bat, they are sized small to XXL depending on your hand size)

Thank you,

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