

Talent Identification and Confirmation

Through a systematic process, Suffolk Young Cricketers aim to select the most talented players within the County. The selection process will look at players from not only a cricketing perspective, but also factor in personal attributes such as their teamwork and coachability.

Shown below are a guide to our talent identification process and what our players are expected to be able to achieve in their specific skill sets at any point during their Young Cricketers journey.

Batting Attributes					
	BASICS	SKILLS	CHARACTER	TACTICAL	PHYSICAL
Under 10 / Under 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back themselves at County level Believe in their ability to influence matches Gets enjoyment and pleasure from playing County cricket 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is balanced and still at point of release Has a solid front foot technique Has a solid back foot technique Has a growing understanding of their own technique 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrates team first behaviour Is positive around the team environment Enjoys team success 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a basic knowledge of how to build an innings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a basic cricket specific cardiovascular capacity Has a basic core strength Has some basic leg strength
Under 12 (in addition to Under 11)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Display clear decision-making capabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is able to score off the front foot Is able to score off the back foot Identifies length effectively 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a growing self-awareness 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a cricket specific cardiovascular capacity Has solid core strength Has solid leg strength
Under 13 (in addition to Under 12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has an understanding of goal setting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands the importance of leaving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a growing self-awareness of both strengths and weaknesses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is beginning to build up a knowledge of game plans 	
Under 14 (in addition to Under 13)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is able to score off the back foot with cross batted shots Performs all shots with a solid, balanced base Has a consistent pre-delivery routine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributes to team discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is a good judge of a single Identifies bowlers strengths and weaknesses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a strong flexibility base
Under 15 (in addition to Under 14)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistently performs at County level Is an effective goal setter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies length effectively and executes shots accordingly Has a consistent pre-match routine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a growing self-awareness of strengths and weaknesses and how to improve both Has a willingness to assist other players development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is able to develop and adapt game plans to conditions 	
Under 17 (in addition to Under 15)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has an ability to play or avoid the short ball effectively 			

Fast Bowling Attributes					
	BASICS	SKILLS	CHARACTER	TACTICAL	PHYSICAL
Under 10	<p>Back themselves at County level</p> <p>Believe in their ability to influence matches</p> <p>Gets enjoyment from playing County cricket</p>	<p>Good running style</p> <p>Good alignment</p> <p>Demonstrates a locking in of front arm</p>	<p>Demonstrates 'team first' behaviour</p> <p>Is positive around the team environment</p> <p>Enjoys team success</p>	<p>Has a basic knowledge of their field settings</p>	<p>Has a basic cricket cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has a basic core strength</p> <p>Has some basic leg strength</p>
Under 11 (in addition to Under 10)		<p>Forward momentum towards target</p>	<p>Responds positively and proactively to being hit</p>		
Under 12 (in addition to Under 11)			<p>Desire to be the 'go to' bowler</p>	<p>Has a good knowledge of their field settings and why they might change</p>	<p>Has a cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has solid core strength</p> <p>Has solid leg strength</p>
Under 13 (in addition to Under 12)	<p>Display clear decision-making capabilities</p>	<p>Has the ability to move the ball off the straight</p>		<p>Has a basic knowledge of how to construct an over</p> <p>Is developing an understanding of bowling in all conditions</p>	
Under 14 (in addition to Under 13)	<p>Has an understanding of goal setting</p>	<p>Stays strong at the crease</p> <p>Has control of length</p>	<p>Understands their role in the bowling unit</p>	<p>Has a knowledge of game plans</p>	<p>Has a strong cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has a strong core strength</p> <p>Has strong leg strength</p> <p>Has a strong base of flexibility</p>
Under 15 (in addition to Under 14)	<p>Is an effective goal setter</p>	<p>Has control of line and why that might vary</p> <p>Has the ability to bowl Yorkers</p>	<p>Desire to be feared by the opposition</p> <p>Contributes to team discussions</p> <p>Has a willingness to assist in others development</p>	<p>Identifies batsmen's strengths and weaknesses</p> <p>Is able to develop and adapt game plans to conditions</p>	
Under 17 (in addition to Under 15)		<p>Has the ability to bowl a bouncer</p>			

Spin Bowling Attributes

	BASICS	SKILLS	CHARACTER	TACTICAL	PHYSICAL
Under 10	<p>Back themselves at County level</p> <p>Believe in their ability to influence matches</p> <p>Gets enjoyment and pleasure from playing County cricket</p>	<p>Good balanced approach to the crease</p> <p>The ability to spin the ball</p> <p>Good alignment towards target</p>	<p>Demonstrates 'team first' behaviour</p> <p>Is positive around the team environment</p> <p>Enjoys team success</p>	<p>Has a basic knowledge of their field settings</p>	<p>Has a basic cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has a basic core strength</p> <p>Has some basic leg strength</p>
Under 11 (in addition to Under 10)		<p>Good strong front side of body</p> <p>Forward momentum towards the target</p>	<p>Responds positively and proactively to being hit</p>		
Under 12 (in addition to Under 11)			<p>Desire to be the 'go to' bowler</p>	<p>Has a good knowledge of field settings and why they might change</p>	<p>Has a cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has solid core strength</p> <p>Has solid leg strength</p>
Under 13 (in addition to Under 12)				<p>Has a basic knowledge of how to construct an over</p> <p>Is developing an understanding of bowling in all conditions</p>	
Under 14 (in addition to Under 13)	<p>Displays clear decision-making capabilities</p> <p>Has an understanding of goal setting</p>	<p>Has control of length</p>	<p>Understands their role in the bowling unit</p>	<p>Has a knowledge of game plans</p>	<p>Has a strong flexibility base</p>
Under 15 (in addition to Under 14)			<p>Contributes to team discussions</p> <p>Has a willingness to assist in other players development</p>	<p>Identifies batsmen's strengths and weaknesses</p> <p>Is able to develop and adapt game plans to conditions</p>	
Under 17 (in addition to Under 15)	<p>Is an effective goal setter</p> <p>Performs consistently at County level</p>	<p>Has the ability to change pace</p> <p>Has a variation delivery</p>		<p>Identifies batsmen's strengths and weaknesses and how to exploit them</p>	

Wicket Keeping Attributes

	BASICS	SKILLS	CHARACTER	TACTICAL	PHYSICAL
Under 10	<p>Back themselves at County level</p> <p>Believe in their ability to influence matches</p> <p>Gets enjoyment and pleasure from playing County cricket</p>	<p>Large catching area, thumbs out of the way, palms facing the ball</p> <p>Level eyes and head in line with the ball</p> <p>Good 'z' shaped posture</p>	<p>Demonstrates 'team first' behaviour</p> <p>Is positive around the team environment</p> <p>Enjoys team success</p>	<p>Has a basic knowledge of field settings</p>	<p>Has a basic cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has a basic core strength</p> <p>Has some basic leg strength</p>
Under 11 (in addition to Under 10)			<p>Knows whether they are a drummer of the band or the conductor of an orchestra</p>		
Under 12 (in addition to Under 11)		<p>Good footwork, using small sideways strides</p>			<p>Has a cricket specific cardiovascular capacity</p> <p>Has solid core strength</p> <p>Has solid leg strength</p>
Under 13 (in addition to Under 12)				<p>Has a growing ability to read batsmen</p>	
Under 14 (in addition to Under 13)	<p>Displays clear decision making capabilities</p> <p>Has an understanding of goal setting</p>	<p>Create a stable base wherever possible</p> <p>Ride with the ball</p>		<p>Has a good knowledge of their bowlers field settings and how they might change</p>	<p>Has a strong base of flexibility</p>
Under 15 (in addition to Under 14)		<p>Good diving technique taking a direct line to the ball</p>	<p>Contributes to team discussions</p> <p>Has a willingness to assist in other players development</p>	<p>Has an ability to read batsmen's strengths and weaknesses</p> <p>Has a growing ability to read pitches and conditions and communicate with captain and bowlers</p>	
Under 17 (in addition to Under 15)	<p>Is an effective goal setter</p> <p>Consistently performs at County level</p>				