

## Section League History

In San Jose, NJB was initiated by John Williams in 1990. It started with 9 teams in 3 cities. There were 180 kids in the 1st year. Keith Ivy was appointed Sectional Director in 1993. Today there are over 4000 boys and girls participating in the Silicon Valley NJB Section consisting of 13 Programs (Chapters). Mel Robertson is the current Sectional Director. The Willow Glen program started for the 2002 - 03 season. With the Foothill Chapter being the most recent and it's potential for growth, we expected growth in the Gilroy/Morgan Hill area and also received growth up the Peninsula with the Redwood and Palo Alto Chapters:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PROGRAMS</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>
1990-91	San Jose, Fremont, Santa Clara	180
1991-92	San Jose, Fremont, Irvington	240
1992-93	San Jose, Fremont, Irvington, Berryessa	460
1993-94	San Jose, Fremont, Irvington, Berryessa, West San Jose, (Girls program started)	900
1994-95	San Jose, Fremont, Irvington, Berryessa,	1350
1995-96	West San Jose/Los Gatos, Saratoga San Jose, Fremont, Irvington, Berryessa,	1610
1996-97	West San Jose, Los Gatos, Saratoga, Coyote Creek Irvington and Fremont chapters become part	1510
1997-98	of Alameda County Section	2000
1998-99	Hayward Almaden (Hayward, Irvington, Fremont	1840
1999-2000	participating in Alameda County section)	2100
2001-2002	Palo Alto	2600
2002-2003	Redwood (Redwood City) and Hollister	3000
2003-2004	Willow Glen	3060
2004-2005	Gilroy/Morgan Hill	3430
2006-2007	Foothill Sectional growth	4000