

EUCLID BOYS LEAGUE BY-LAWS

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I. REGISTRATION

A. Who may register

1. Players who will be, at the time of registration, 5 years of age before May 1, but who will not be 12 years of age prior to August 1.
 - a. A child 4 years of age can be considered on a case by case basis.

B. When is registration

1. The league representative is responsible for conducting registration. Usually on two Wednesdays and one Saturday in February and March.
2. Online at www.euclidbaseball.org
3. By mail.
4. Registration ends on March 15th of said year.

C. Late sign-ups

1. The second Saturday in April will be the late sign-up cut-off date. Any further sign-ups will be placed on a waiting list to be activated at the league's discretion.
2. Late sign-ups will be subject to a late fee.
3. Late sign-ups will not be placed on the same team as prior year.
 - a. He/She will be placed on the team who has the next position in the draft.

II. EVALUATIONS

A. Where

- B. The league representative or the Commissioner shall make arrangements for tryout facilities – preferably indoors – usually on a Saturday in March.

1. The league representative shall notify all registrants in an appropriate manner of the time, date, and place of their respective evaluations.

C. Purpose of Evaluations

1. For the purpose of exposing the players to view, by impartial graders who will grade their proficiency in batting, throwing, and fielding ground balls.
 - a. Players assigned to groups of 10 by the registrar.
 - b. Grades are posted in the ledger and upon draft master sheets which are prepared by the league representative for use as subsequent drafts.
 - c. Sibling situations should be noted by the registrar at the time of evaluations.

III. DRAFTING PROCEDURES

A. Who drafts

1. All managers or a duly appointed representative.

B. Where is the draft held

1. At a place to be announced by the Commissioner at the meeting which precedes the tryout day.

C. When is the draft held

1. All new player and players new to the division will be drafted in the Spring draft, to be held after evaluations.
 - a. A parent can request their child to be re-entered into the draft.
2. The commissioner shall determine the date for the Spring draft.

D. Who is drafted

1. All players who fulfill the EBL eligibility requirements.

E. Order of the draft

1. Drafting is done according to final standings in the preceding season. The last place team will draft first, the first place team will draft last.
 - a. A serpentine procedure will be used. This means that the last place team drafts first, the second team from the bottom is second, and so on. When the first place teams comes up, they will draft twice, followed by the second place team, third place team, etc. (Bottom to top, top to bottom.)
 - b. The first place team drafts twice in a row. The last place team will draft twice in a row, following it's initial one pick.
 - c. All teams between last and first will pick one time.
2. If 2 or more teams are tied, a coin toss or drawing from a hat will determine 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.... draft positions.
3. Following the decision on the order of drafting, these teams shall seat themselves around the table in the proper order with the Commissioner and the league representative. (League President should attend draft.
 - a. All rounds of the draft shall be in succession. The best record will draft last, and the worst record will draft first followed with the serpentine method. (Serpentine, see above.)
 - b. If a manager does not have a full compliment of either age player in his division, passing on draft choices is not permitted.

F. Mechanics of the draft

1. The league representative is responsible for the preparation of the draft eligibility list and enforcing roster balance (quantity and consistency.)
 - a. Each manager will receive a copy of his applicable list. These lists will be according to ages (5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12) and will contain

the evaluation grades as posted (if there were evaluations.)

- b. Players registering, but failing to be evaluated, are not eligible for the draft, unless they are approved by the league representative or Commissioner. Approved player's names will be put into a hat and drawn at anytime, by any team during the draft.
 - c. Late players will be assigned a team based on the order of the draft. The next team in the order drafts first.
 - d. 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12 year old managers will grade all 6, 8, 10, and 12 year old players on the team roster. Grades must be displayed in the same manner as the Spring Evaluation. In addition, the grading manager must indicate each player's dependability.
 - e. There cannot be a variance of more than 2 players between age group quantities within a team's roster at the completion of the draft, where applicable.
 - f. Each team will consist of 11-13 players.
 - g. The 5-6 year old teams will be limited to 9 players.
2. Managerial replacements, sons of managers, siblings, and roster adjustments.
- a. The retirement of managers from one season to the next requires the appointment of new managers. Managers from the ranks of other leagues have priority according to seniority. This appointment sometimes requires some equitable realignment of player personnel; namely sons of managers.
 - b. At the time of the draft, if the new manager desires, managers' sons coming into the league

for the first time are automatically assigned to their teams' roster as follows: Managers' sons/daughters ('A" All Star – 1st round, 'B" All star - 2nd round, 'non' All star – 3rd round providing the son is age eligible). Each succeeding son or daughter will be in order in the following rounds.

- c. If a new manager's son is already on an existing roster in the same league, which the father is to manage, he can be transferred to the father's team at his request provided the father gives the manager the team's draft choice equitable to the player's abilities. (Point III F.2b.)
 - d. Item (2) above is the only means by which any player can transfer from one team to another.
 - e. Managers are allowed to automatically draft one assistant coach's child. The assistant coach's child will be drafted in the round appropriate to the child's abilities. For example; if the child is an All Star, the child would be picked in the 1st or 2nd round.
3. Quitting assigned Team/failure to re-register
- a. Any registered player who quits his assigned team is to be considered belonging to said team until his age exceeds league limits. If the affected manager chooses not to exercise that option, the play is to be placed on the eligible draft list.
 - b. The affected team does not lose a draft choice if the quitting player decides to return to his team.
4. Roster Evaluation and Correction
- a. Prior to drafting, the League representative shall verify rosters with the team managers as to the correctness of names therein.
5. Brothers/sisters

- a. A check of the draft sheets is to be made prior to the start of drafting of brother/sister situations.
 1. The first sibling is picked in the selected order of the draft. The sibling is applied on the last pick.
 2. If a team drafts a new child and it becomes subsequently known that this child has a sibling already on another team's roster, that new child is then placed on the sibling's team. The sibling's team subsequently loses its last draft pick.
 3. If a team drafts a new child and it becomes known that this child has a sibling in another age group, the same procedure as outlined in paragraph (1) above will apply when it comes time to draft in that age group. (If applicable.)
 4. If two siblings are All-Stars, they will be chosen as succeeding picks.
 5. If a family returns to Euclid Boys League, that same child, having been properly registered, will be placed on the eligible draft list.

G. EXPANSION DRAFT PROCEDURES

1. When addition of team is needed, follow the given procedure to enter the expansion team(s) into the division. This could happen each year, so all of the league members should be ready for the adjustments needed.
 - a. All existing teams will freeze three (3) players of each age group if the expansion draft occurs.
 - b. Expansion teams will have a draft between them (2 or more) or themselves (1) to select players off the existing teams up to the minimum number of players on an existing roster. (Example: if an

existing team is low with 6 players of a given age group, then the expansion team(s) shall select up to six(6) if possible.) Also, once a team loses a player, they will have the rights to freeze one (1) more player and possibly lose a maximum of two players.

- c. All non-drafted players return to their original teams. All teams then draft in order, the remaining new players to achieve proper roster numbers.
- d. The expansion teams shall fall into the draft order as follows:
 - 1. Last selection(s) of the first round.
 - 2. If a son is on another team's elder age existing roster, he shall transfer teams in reference to the By-Laws. (Point III F.2c.)

H. DISBANDING OF TEAM(S) PROCEDURE

- 1. When the deletion of a team(s) is needed, follow the given procedure to disband teams out of a given division. This could happen yearly in each age division, so junior managers should be prepared.
 - a. Upon determining that a team(s) needs to be disbanded, the children will be placed into the draft.
 - b. If a team is disbanded during the season, the players will be placed on the remaining teams by a blind draw done by the division president of commissioner. An exception to the roster limit will be made to accommodate these players.
 - c. The players of the disbanded team who will play in that division the following year, will be placed in the following years' draft.

I. MANAGER ELIGIBILITY LIST

1. The following is an order to determine who has the right and in what order to acquire a team for the following season.
 - a. A current or former commissioner will have the first choice of any available team if he/she so desires to return as a manager. If more than one commissioner has the same interest, choices will be made based on the points system. (I.1.c below.)
 - b. Existing managers and Executive Board members that make it known that he/she wants a team for the following season, obtain a selected team by points.
 - c. Points are determined by one season served. League involvement must be continuous. After leaving the league, an individual must serve one season in a position listed below before having previous points reinstated.
 1. Commissioner - 5 points per season.
 2. Executive Board (treasurer, Vice Commissioner, Secretary) – 2 points per season.
 3. Managers (NO COACHES) – 1 point per season.
 4. Trustees (Travel Team/Tournament Director, Division president, Concession manager, Equipment Manager, Umpire-in-Chief) – 0.5 points per season.
 - d. Coaches who are recruited are then called to fill remaining teams and will acquire seniority in the order in which they are sworn in as noted in the minutes.

IV. CUT DOWN PROCEDURES

- A. There are no cuts in the Euclid Boys League with the exception of All-Star and travel teams.

V. CONTRACTS AND INSURANCE

A. The Euclid Boys League Administrative Board provides an official League Contract for each player who formally makes the final team roster of any team in the Euclid Boys League.

1. The contracts are to be completed by the parent(s) at the time of registration.
 - a. The registrar is responsible for the validation of each player's contract.
 - b. The registrar may check the contract with birth certificate verification to insure the proper Boys League age of the player. If there is believed to be an age discrepancy, the player will not be eligible until proof is provided.

B. Insurance in the form of Accident and Liability is provided for the League operation through contracts negotiated by the Administrative Board.

1. Coverage information is available upon request to the Commissioner.
2. Moneys in the amount to be set by the Administrative Board of the League, for the purchase of said insurance is collected from each individual participant at the time of registration as part of the total registration fee.
3. All contracts and insurance money shall be collected at the time of each player's registration.
 - a. The commissioner shall validate the team rosters as prepared by the league representative for the opening of the season.
 - b. Any missing insurance money or contracts will hold those individuals ineligible from participation until such time as these are made available to the Presidents of the League

- c. Ineligible players are not permitted to participate in any ball games until eligibility is validated by the President of that league
- d. Hardship cases should be called to the attention of the commissioner for the proper disposition.

VI. SCHEDULING OF GAMES

- A. Regular season and post season playoff schedules are prepared by the Scheduling committee or appointed member of the board

VII. ALL STAR TOURNAMENTS

- A. Management of tournament teams shall consist of 1 manager selecting a minimum of two (2) coaches, and will work together for all tournaments in each age group.

- 1. The follow criteria will be used for determining the All-Star Managers in each division.

- a. III., I, 1a
 - b. III., I, 1b
 - c. Returning managers to the same division with the most seniority.
 - d. Managers moving into the age division with the most seniority.
 - e. Managers in other age groups applying for a team in a different age group, also will be selected by seniority.
 - f. ALL SELECTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

- B. If a manager does not want his all-star pitcher to pitch more than 2 innings of any tournament game, he is required to contact the all-star team manager (24 hours before the game) after the all-star manager is obligated to honor the request.

VIII. ALL STAR/TRAVEL TEAM SELECTION

- A. All star/travel team selection will be held on a tryout basis.
 - 1. A deposit of \$50 is due at the time of the tryout. If the child does not make the team, the money will be refunded.

2. Travel team tryouts will occur in August for the following season and are based in part on that season's play.
3. House all-star team tryouts will be held in the spring on a date determined by the coaches and executive board.
4. If there is no travel team, "A" all-star team tryouts will occur in August.

B. A committee or appointee will run the tryouts in each division.

1. The League president to this committee will consist of: the team managers selected per point VII, A, 1 and any league managers who have interest in helping with this process.
2. The League president will be a part of the tryout committee as a member.

C. After the tryouts are held, the managers of the teams will select the players to be named to the teams.

D. The scheduling committee will provide practice fields and the times for the All Star tryouts.

E. The all-star manager will notify his/her team's players upon making the team. Payment is due within 1 week of making the team or a league monetary arrangement made. If requirements are not met an alternate may be chosen.

F. All-Star Manager and Coaches will decide what tournaments their all star team will enter.

IX. ALL STAR/TRAVEL TEAM ROSTER

A. The All star team rosters must consist of 9 players to fill their tournament roster.

B. Players must play 1 inning, six consecutive outs in every game he attends.

X. TRAVEL TEAM EXCEPTION

A. Once travel teams have been formed they will play according to the rules of the league for which they play.

- B. All Euclid Boys League By-Laws and Constitution rules remain in effect where applicable.
- XI. ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD PROCEDURES
 - A. Alcoholic beverages will be permitted to be consumed during any Administrative Board meeting.

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