

# 2024 Bellville Little League

## Minor Boys / 9-10 Year Old Division

- **Time Limit**

- o 1 hour and 45 minutes- finish the inning. Inning starts at 3rd out of the previous inning.
- o Must play AT LEAST 1 hour and 45 minutes to count as a complete game. There is no inning requirement.

- **General Rules**

- o Bat Entire Roster, (CBO) Continuous Batting Order
- o Free substitution, no player should sit consecutive innings
- o Must have 8 players to start game. You may borrow from another team as long as the borrowed player plays an outfield position and bats last. The borrowed player may not pitch and must be in the same age division. If a player gets hurt, injured or can't finish the game you may finish the game with 8, but can't continue with less than 8. No out will be recorded for the missing player at bat.
- o If you cannot field a team with 8 players, please contact your Player Agent immediately to reschedule game. You will not be forced to forfeit.
- o 5 Run limit per team per inning
- o If the score differential is 10 runs or greater at the end of 4 innings (3 ½ if home team is leading), OR 6 runs or greater at the end of 5 innings (4 ½ if home team is leading), the game shall be ended with the team leading declared as the winner once the 1 hour and 45 time limit has expired
- o Only 3 coaches allowed in the dugout
- o ALL coaches must be inside the dug out when team is in the field
- o NO on deck hitters allowed

- **Pitching**

- o It is the Manager's responsibility to follow the **Pitch Count Regulations** established by Little League Baseball.
  - League Age 9-10 year old Pitch Limit = **75 pitches per day**
  - **League Age 8 year old Pitch Limit= 50 pitches per day.**
  - Listing of days rest for number of pitches pitched (See 2024 Little League Rule Book)
- o Each team must have a new to the division League Age 9 year old (or younger) pitcher who must begin and end the same half inning within the first 3 innings of the game. You may substitute another League Age 9 year old (or younger) pitcher to finish the same half inning. If a game is in the 2nd inning (or less) and time expires or the game ends for any other reason, it is not a violation of this rule if a League 9 year old (or younger) has not pitched yet. **The spirit of the rule is to get new young pitchers experience. Coaches should work together and point out potential violations of this rule BEFORE the violation occurs.**
- o A violation of this rule may be grounds for a forfeit. A team that violates this rule must pitch a League Age 9 year old (or younger) for a minimum of TWO innings in the next game, and the Manager must serve a 1 game suspension the following game. The team may ask another person (must have clear Background Check) to act as an Assistant Coach while the Manager is serving their suspension so that the team will still have 3 adult coaches at that game. A coach that consistently violates this rule or makes a concerted effort to circumvent this rule may be removed as a Manager for that season.

- **Stealing**

- o Base runners shall not leave their bases until the ball has been delivered and has reached the batter.

- **Team Responsibilities**

- o Home team is responsible for the announcer and score book
- o Visiting Team is responsible for scoreboard
- o Both teams are responsible for field cleanup after the games
  - Rake and maintain field for next game
  - Pick up trash in stands and surrounding areas

- **Field Maintenance**

- o Bellville Little League Fields
  - **Please follow field maintenance guidance provided in coaches packet.**
- o Clark Park
  - The City of Bellville will be lining/preparing all fields for game days
  - Please respect the City's parks and keep them clean.

- **Player Agent**

- o Zach Williams: 979-533-3275
- o In the event you have a conflict and need to reschedule a game, contact your player agent at least **48 hours** in advance. The conflict will be taken to the League President and a decision whether to reschedule will be made.