

**BASEBALL**

# **REGISTRATION**

**FALL 2018**



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# I. INTRODUCTION

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Welcome to Summerlin South Little League's 2018 Fall Season. This season, we anticipate that we will host nearly 800 players from ages 4-16 in baseball, girls softball, and tee ball. Over 300 adult volunteers will serve as coaches, scorekeepers, board or committee members, and team parents to make our league the overwhelming success it is. Our goal is to deliver the best quality youth sports experience possible.

Registration for the 2018 Fall Season opens on Memorial Day, May 28, 2018. Players who register on Memorial Day or the next day will even enjoy a \$20 discount on their registration fees. The purpose of this booklet to provide parents and coaches with a summary of things they might want to know in order to register their child(ren) for one of the Summerlin South Little League's baseball divisions. There is a separate, similar booklet with information on registering a female for one of the league's softball divisions.

This booklet is designed only to provide the most basic information needed to make registration decisions. For a more detailed summary of the league's operations and policies, please see the Policy & Procedure Handbook that we recently revised and posted on our website at [www.summerlinsouthll.org](http://www.summerlinsouthll.org).

If you have any questions after reviewing this booklet or the information pages on our league website ([www.summerlinsouthll.org](http://www.summerlinsouthll.org)), please feel free to reach out for additional information.

Thank you for trusting us to provide your children and our community with a healthy and fun baseball and softball experience this season.

Summerlin South Little League Board of Directors

## LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

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## II. LEAGUE BOUNDARIES

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### GEOGRAPHICAL ELIGIBILITY

In order to play baseball in Summerlin South Little League, you must be a Summerlin resident who lives south of Charleston Boulevard or west of the 215 beltway (in the Summerlin West, Summerlin South, Summerlin Centre, or Red Rock Country Club communities). A map of the league's boundaries is available at [www.summerlinsouthll.org](http://www.summerlinsouthll.org) or in the Parent & Coach Handbook. Prospective players can use Little League's mapping tool at <http://www.littleleague.org/leaguefinder.htm> to determine what little league they can join.

In addition, any child who attends a school located in the league's boundaries is eligible to play in the league regardless of where they live. This includes:

- Vassiliadis Elementary
- Givens Elementary
- Goolsby Elementary
- Ober Elementary
- Solomon Schechter Day School
- Faith Lutheran Academy
- Alexander Dawson
- Doral Academy Red Rock
- Faith Lutheran Jr./Sr. High School
- West Career and Technical Academy
- Bishop Gorman High School.

### WAIVERS FOR PLAYERS LIVING OUTSIDE THE LEAGUE'S BOUNDARIES

Any baseball player who does not reside in or go to a school located in the league's boundaries must have an approved waiver issued by the Charter Committee at Little League International in order to play in Summerlin South Little League. Consult the league's [website](#) or the Policy & Procedure Handbook for more information on the types of waivers and the process for obtaining them. Waiver forms can be downloaded from the league's website. Once completed, the waiver should be uploaded through the waiver submission portal on the homepage of the league's website accompanied by a signed letter explaining the circumstances that you believe justify requesting a waiver. No out-of-boundary players will be rostered or drafted without a waiver in place.

### III. BASEBALL DIVISIONS FOR FALL 2018

Summerlin South Little League welcomes **male and female players** with "league ages" 4-16 to participate in its baseball programs.

#### DETERMINING PLAYER AGE

Little League International rules dictate how a child's age is calculated. The player's actual age at the time of registration or the season beginning is not necessarily his or her age for Little League registration purposes. Instead, Little League uses a concept called "league age," which is different for baseball and softball:

For **baseball** players, league age is defined as the age the player is on August 31 following completion of the season. For fall ball, Summerlin South Little League uses the child's "league age" for the Spring 2019 season. This means that your baseball player's league age is his/her age on August 31, 2019). This principle applies regardless of age.

You can determine your child's league age by consulting this chart:

**Fall 2018 & Spring 2019 Little League Age Chart  
FOR BASEBALL DIVISION ONLY**

Match month (top line) and box with year of birth. League age indicated at right.

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AGE
2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	2014	2014	2014	2014	<b>4</b>
2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013	2013	<b>5</b>
2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2012	2012	2012	2012	<b>6</b>
2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011	2011	<b>7</b>
2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2010	2010	2010	2010	<b>8</b>
2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2009	2009	2009	2009	<b>9</b>
2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2008	2008	2008	2008	<b>10</b>
2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2007	2007	2007	2007	<b>11</b>
2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2006	2006	2006	2006	<b>12</b>
2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2005	<b>13</b>
2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2004	2004	2004	2004	<b>14</b>
2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2003	2003	2003	2003	<b>15</b>
2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2002	2002	2002	2002	<b>16</b>
2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2001	2001	2001	2001	<b>17</b>
2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2000	2000	2000	2000	<b>18</b>

## TEE BALL DIVISIONS

### **TEE BALL - MINORS (League Ages 4-5)**

**Players born between September 1, 2013 and August 31, 2015**

The Tee Ball Minors division is for league age 4 and 5-year olds is a pure tee ball division (NEVER COACH PITCH) designed to introduce our youngest players to the basics, fundamentals and fun of baseball. This is a non-competitive division where players can learn and practice fundamental baseball skills at an early age and receive maximum enjoyment from the experience. Tee Ball players do not evaluate to play. There are no team standings or playoffs, and scores are not recorded. Players can request a coach (depending on roster availability).

### **TEE BALL - MAJORS (formerly Rookies) (League Ages 5-6)**

**Players born between September 1, 2012 and August 31, 2014**

The Tee Ball Majors division (formerly called Rookies) is a combination Tee Ball/Coach Pitch division for league age 5 and 6-year olds. **5-year olds must have at least one season of Tee Ball (or equivalent) experience in order to play in this division.** League age 7-year olds who are new to the game or who need additional training and development can play in this division with the approval of the Board of Directors. This division is a non-competitive division where players can learn, develop and practice fundamental baseball skills at an early age and receive maximum enjoyment from the experience. Tee Ball Majors players do not evaluate to play. There are no team standings or playoffs, and scores are not recorded. Players can request a coach (depending on availability).

## BASEBALL DIVISIONS

### **MINORS A (League Ages 6-8)**

**Players born between September 1, 2010 and August 31, 2013**

The Minors A division is a developmental machine pitch division for league ages 6, 7 and 8-year olds. 6-year olds **MUST** have played two seasons of Tee Ball Majors equivalent baseball to be eligible to play in this division. League age 9-year olds who need additional training and development can play in this division with the approval of the Board of Directors, so long as they will not actually be 9-years old during the season. Players do not evaluate to play. Game scores and standings are kept and will be used to seed the teams for the end of season tournament, although the primary focus is player development. In order to maintain competitive balance, players cannot request a specific coach or team.

### **MINORS AA & AAA (League Ages 8-11)**

**Players born between September 1, 2007 and August 31, 2011**

The Minors AA and AAA divisions are competitive kid pitch divisions. 8-year olds **MUST** have played two seasons of machine pitch equivalent baseball to be eligible to play in AA division, must have sufficient skill and ability, and are not promised a roster spot in AA (typically most 8-year olds will be rostered in the Minors A Division). **For the Fall Season, players may select whether they wish to play in the AAA or AA division, subject to ability and availability.** Players and their parents must be realistic in making this selection. **Only players with substantial Minors AA experience (at least two seasons) and who have excelled in Minors AA should register for Minors AAA.** The league reserves the right to reassign players based on needs and ability. Game scores and standings are kept in these divisions and will be used to seed the teams for the end of season tournaments.

Players who are league age 12 who wish to play in the AAA division must be granted a waiver by the District Administrator. If Summerlin South Little League feels there is a safety issue with a 12-year old playing in the Majors division, the League, with the parent's permission, may also request a waiver from the District Administrator.

### **MAJORS (League Ages 10-12)**

**Players born between September 1, 2006 and August 31, 2009**

The Majors division is a competitive division. Game scores and standings are kept and will be used to seed the teams for the end of season tournaments. **10 and 11-year olds are not guaranteed to be rostered in Majors, and must have excelled in Minors AAA in order to qualify.**

### **INTERMEDIATE (50/70) Division (League Ages 11-13)**

**Players born between September 1, 2005 and August 31, 2008**

The 50/70 division is designed for players with advanced skill and utilizes a larger pitching distance and base path to prepare players for the regulation sized field. Game scores and standings are kept and will be used to seed the teams for the end of season tournaments. **The league's ability to charter a team in this division is dependent on sufficient interest.**

### **JUNIORS (League Ages 12-14)**

**Players born between May 1, 2004 and August 31, 2007**

This division is the first to utilize a regulation sized baseball field with a 90-foot base path and 60-foot 6-inch pitching rubber. This division is scheduled by and run at the District level. **The league's ability to charter a team in this division is dependent on sufficient interest.**

### **SENIORS (League Ages 13-16)**

**Players born between September 1, 2002 and August 31, 2006**

This division utilizes a regulation sized baseball field with a 90-foot base path and 60-foot 6-inch pitching rubber. The Seniors division is scheduled by and run at the District level. **The league's ability to charter a team in this division is dependent on sufficient interest**

## IV. REGISTRATION DATES & FEES

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### REGISTRATION DEADLINES

July 1, 2018	Deadline for Early Registration for all divisions (\$25 late fee after this date)
August 13, 2018	Late registration closes for all divisions

Players who do not register by the deadline can join the waitlist. Instructions for being included on the waitlist will be posted on the league's website.

### REGISTRATION FEES

	REGISTRATION FEE	LATE FEE (after July 1)
TEE BALL:		
Tee Ball Minors Division	\$160 per player	\$185 per player
Tee Ball Majors Division	\$170 per player	\$195 per player
BASEBALL:		
Minors A Division	\$190 per player	\$215 per player
Minors AA & AAA Divisions	\$205 per player	\$230 per player
Majors, 50/70, Junior, & Senior Divisions	\$220 per player	\$255 per player

**All players who register on Memorial Day or the day after (May 28-19, 2018) will received a \$20 discount on their registration.**

### SIBLING DISCOUNT

If you are registering more than one player in your family this season, you will receive a \$25 discount for every child registered as long as there is a minimum of 2 children registered. **The children must be registered at the same time to receive the discount.**

### WHAT IS INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fee includes a complete uniform (personalized jersey, pants, belt, socks, hat), field time for practices and at least 12 games (more in older divisions), cage time at Mesa cages for each team, field preparation fees, umpire fees (in non-tee ball divisions), game balls, insurance, and participation awards for all tee ball and Minors A players as well as trophies for tournament winners and runners-up in the Minors AA Division and above. Registration fees do not include team or player pictures, which can be ordered directly from DCI Photography, the official photographer of Summerlin South Little League.

### DISCOUNTS FOR EARLY REGISTRATION

Register early to avoid additional fees. Each player registering after July 1, 2018 will pay a \$25 late fee.

### IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER

**The league's ability to charter teams in a specific age group is dependent on interest.** If there are not enough players in a division to form even a single team, the player will be notified as soon as possible, the league will refund registration fees, and will attempt to assist the family in locating an alternate playing opportunity.



## V. HOW TO REGISTER

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The only way to register players for Summerlin South Little League is through the online registration portal. There is a link to the registration portal on the homepage of the league's [website](#).

During the online registration process, there is a tool for you to upload a scanned version of your child's birth certificate. You must also be prepared, on demand, to submit proof of address. Acceptable proofs of address include documents, dated or in force between February 1, 2018 (previous year) and February 1, 2019 (current year) that show the parent's name and address from **EACH** of the following categories:

### Group I:

1. Driver's License
2. School records
3. Vehicle registration or lease
4. Employment records (paystub, W-2, etc.)
5. Insurance documents

### Group II:

1. Welfare/child care records
2. Federal records (tax, social security, etc.)
3. State records
4. Local (municipal) records
5. Support payment records
6. Homeowner or tenant records (deed, rental agreement, etc.)
7. Military records

### Group III:

1. Voter's registration
2. Utility bills (gas, electric, water/sewer, phone, waste disposal, etc.)
3. Financial (loan, credit, investments, etc.) records
4. Medical records
5. Internet, cable or satellite records

In addition, players who attend a school located in the league's boundaries are eligible no matter where they live. School attendance must be established by a completed School Enrollment Form (available [here](#)). The applicable schools are:

- Vassiliadis Elementary
- Givens Elementary
- Goolsby Elementary
- Ober Elementary
- Solomon Schechter Day School
- Faith Lutheran Academy
- Alexander Dawson
- Doral Academy Red Rock
- Faith Lutheran Junior/Senior High School
- West Career and Technical Academy
- Bishop Gorman High School

## VI. REFUND POLICY

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A player may withdraw his/her registration and receive a full refund of the registration fee (minus a \$25 service charge) until the date registration closes for that player's division. After registration closes for a particular division and teams are being formed, any refund is for extraordinary circumstances only (such an injury, moving away from the area, etc.) and is at the Board's sole discretion. Refunds will not be given for a player who withdraws his/her registration to pursue another sports program.

## VII. TEAM FORMATION

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For the fall season, there is no draft in any division. Teams are formed as follows:

- Seniors (if number of registrants warrant multiple teams): TBD
- Juniors (if number of registrants warrant multiple teams): TBD
- Intermediate (50/70) (if number of registrants warrant multiple teams): TBD
- Majors: Manager may name up to 6 players
- Minors AAA: Manager may name up to 6 players
- Minors AA: Manager may name up to 6 players
- Minors A: Manager may name up to 6 players
- Tee Ball Majors: Manager may name up to 10 players
- Tee Ball Minors: Manager may name up to 10 players

Any additional players are assigned by the Player Agent(s), with the goal being to balance the teams as closely as possible in age, experience, and skill. In Tee Ball Majors and Minors, parents are permitted to make coach, team, or teammate requests during registration. The league will do its best to honor these requests, but cannot promise that all such requests can be fulfilled. **Coach or team requests are not permitted in other divisions under any circumstances.**

Teams are rostered immediately after registration closes. Players and their parents are notified of their team assignment by their team's manager.

### SIBLINGS ON THE SAME TEAM

Some families have children that are close in age and are both of an age where they could be playing in the same division (baseball or softball). Siblings registered in the same division will automatically be rostered on the same team with two exceptions:

- In the Majors division, there is no guarantee that siblings will be drafted to the same team. A parent cannot enforce an option for siblings to be drafted together.
- The so-called "sibling option" cannot be used to compel the league to roster a player with his/her sibling if there is a disparity of skill and ability between the two children such that they should not be placed in the same division. In such circumstances, a league official will contact the family and find an appropriate solution for both players.

### CHANGING TEAMS AFTER ROSTERS ARE FORMED

Once a player is drafted or rostered in either baseball or softball, he/she must play on that team. The league will not move players from team to team, with the exception of a player being moved up to a Major team to fill a vacancy as outlined in the league's Policy & Procedure Manual.

## VIII. FALL SCHEDULE AND IMPORTANT DATES

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Players and parents should check the league's website at [www.summerlinsouthll.org](http://www.summerlinsouthll.org) for the up-to-date calendar information for each season.

### REGISTRATION DATES & DEADLINES

May 28, 2018	Registration opens (register online at <a href="http://www.summerlinsouthll.org">www.summerlinsouthll.org</a> )
July 1, 2018	Early registration ends (\$25 late fee for any late registrants thereafter)
August 13, 2018	Late registration closes for all divisions

*Registration closes at midnight. Players who do not register by the deadline can join the waitlist. Instructions for being included on the waitlist will be posted on the league's website.*

### EVALUATIONS

*There are no evaluations for the fall season.*

### DRAFTS

*There is no draft for the fall season.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEAMS & BEGINNING OF PRACTICE

August 17, 2018	Teams announced for all divisions
August 18, 2018	Practice begins for all divisions

### MANDATORY MEETINGS FOR MANAGERS, COACHES & OTHER VOLUNTEERS

August 28, 2018	Mandatory rules & safety meetings for Baseball & Softball Majors, Minors AAA & AA divisions (Vistas Community Center; 7:00pm)
August 29, 2018	Mandatory rules & safety meetings for Baseball & Softball Minors A, Tee Ball Majors & Minors divisions (Vistas Community Center; 7:00pm)
September 4, 2018	Mandatory scorekeeper clinic (Minors AA division & above) (time & location TBA)
September 5, 2018	Mandatory scorekeeper clinic (Minors A division) (time & location TBA)

### OPENING DAY

September 8, 2018	<b>OPENING DAY CEREMONIES &amp; TEAM PICTURES AT MESA PARK</b>
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## IX. WHAT EQUIPMENT IS NEEDED

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### EQUIPMENT THE PLAYER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING

Each player should plan have the following equipment:

- Glove
- Batting Helmet (see details below)
- Cleats (must be molded or turf-style; metal spikes are not permitted for players or coaches in Little League except in the Intermediate (50-70), Juniors and Seniors divisions)
- Athletic supporter/cup (metal, fiber, or plastic type cup is required for male catchers and STRONGLY recommended for all other male players)
- Water bottle (multiple bottles are often necessary in hot weather games)
- Bat (not absolutely necessary; there are usually plenty to use)

\*\*If the cost of gear is a problem for any player, please notify [president@summerlinsouthll.org](mailto:president@summerlinsouthll.org) and we will assist in outfitting the player appropriately.

### EQUIPMENT THE LEAGUE PROVIDES

The league will provide the following equipment to players or managers for each team:

- Player uniform\*\* (jersey, hat, pants, socks, belt)
- Batting tees (in appropriate divisions)
- Catcher's gear (shin guards, chest protector, catcher's mitt, helmet w/ dangling throat guard)
- Game balls
- First Aid Kit & ice packs

\*\* Teams are not permitted to "upgrade" or otherwise alter uniform elements (pants, hats, etc.).

### AN IMPORTANT NOTE ON BATS

All bats must comply with Little League's bat restrictions, discussed in Section X below.

### AN IMPORTANT NOTE ON BATTING HELMETS

The league does not provide batting helmets. They are, however, available if needed by any player or coach who requests them. If a player has his or her own helmet it must meet NOCSAE specifications and bear the NOCSAE stamp as well as an exterior warning label. Under Little League rules, helmets may not be re-painted, may not contain decals or stickers, and may not have a "C-flap" attached unless specifically approved in writing by the helmet manufacturer. This means players may NOT wear helmets with club ball logos or other decals.

### A NOTE ON COLD WEATHER GAMES

Some games are played in colder weather and will necessitate that players wear a long sleeve baselayer under their jersey. When players are in a pitching division, Little League rules require that any part of the undershirt or undersleeves of a pitcher be of a solid color. White undersleeves are not permitted for pitchers. Players should develop the habit early of complying with these rules and wear only undersleeves in dark, solid colors.

**Hoodies or jackets (whether under or over the jersey) for cold weather games are not appropriate and therefore not permitted on the field.** Players may wear hoodies or jackets in the dugout during cold weather.

For safety and conduct reasons, managers and coaches are required to wear the league-issued jersey with their name on back at all games. In cold weather games, managers and coaches are **not** permitted to wear outerwear over the jersey and should plan appropriately for a long sleeve baselayer under their jersey.

## **X. BAT RESTRICTIONS**

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Only Little League-approved bats are permitted to be used in Summerlin South Little League. The requirements for each division are listed below. In addition, Little League International has assembled an online resource page dedicated to bat information. The latest bat information, including the current Little League rules and regulations governing bats, definitions, information on the moratorium on the use of composite bats, a series of bat FAQs, and lists of licensed bat can be accessed at <http://www.littleleague.org/learn/equipment/baseballbatinfo/batrules.htm>.

### **BASEBALL DIVISIONS**

**Little League Baseball® has adopted USA Baseball's new standard for bat performance for mandated use effective January 1, 2018. This means that, effective January 1, 2018, previously approved Little League bats will no longer be approved for use in Summerlin South Little League. All bats for the spring 2018 season forward will have to comply with the new USA Baseball bat standard.**

#### **JUNIORS, INTERMEDIATE (50-70), MAJORS & MINORS (AAA, AA & A) DIVISIONS**

Beginning with the 2018 season, non-wood and laminated bats used in the Little League (Majors) and below, Intermediate (50-70) Division, Junior League divisions, and Challenger division shall bear the USA Baseball logo signifying that the bat meets the USABat – USA Baseball's Youth Bat Performance Standard. All BPF 1.15 bats will be prohibited beginning with the 2018 season. Additionally, starting in 2018, the bat diameter shall not exceed 2<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches for these divisions of play. Additional information is available at [LittleLeague.org/batinfo](http://LittleLeague.org/batinfo).

All bats in these divisions must be checked and bear the league- approved bat sticker to show they are approved for play. Only members of the League's Board of Directors can approve and sticker bats. Talk to your team's manager to determine how to get your bat approved. Penalties for the use of unapproved or unstickered bats are outlined in each division's rules. Tee ball bats may only be used in tee ball divisions and are not approved for use in any non-tee ball division.

#### **BASEBALL SENIOR DIVISION**

Approved bats shall not be more than 36" in length, nor more than 2 5/8" in diameter, and if wood, not less than 15/16" inches in diameter (7/8" for bats less than 30") at its smallest part. The bat shall not weigh, numerically, more than three ounces less than the length of the bat (e.g., a 33" long bat cannot weigh less than 30 ounces). All bats not made of a single piece of wood shall meet the Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) performance standard, and such bats shall be so labeled with a silkscreen or other permanent certification mark. The certification mark shall be rectangular, a minimum of a half-inch on each side and located on the barrel of the bat in any contrasting color. Aluminum and composite bats shall be marked as to their material makeup being aluminum or composite. This marking shall be silkscreen or other permanent certification mark, a minimum of one-half-inch on each side and located on the barrel of the bat in any contrasting color.

Summerlin South Little League does not sticker bats in this division.

### **TEE BALL DIVISIONS**

#### **TEE BALL MAJORS & TEE BALL MINORS DIVISIONS**

Under the USABat standard, certified Tee Ball bats (26" and shorter) will feature the USA Baseball mark and text which reads ONLY FOR USE WITH APPROVED TEE BALLS. All Tee Ball bats must feature the USA Baseball mark and accompanying text.

Summerlin South Little League does not sticker tee ball bats and tee ball bats are not permitted for use in any other divisions.

## XI. PRACTICES

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Practices for all division will begin on August 18, 2018. Before Opening Day, teams typically practice twice each week (one weeknight; one Saturday). Once games begin, most teams hold one weeknight practice. Some teams also schedule regular cage time at the Mesa cages. Some tee ball teams do not practice during the season (manager's discretion).

Practice times are selected by the team's managers based on availability. Availability is dictated by the following factors: seniority (older divisions select practice times first), manager & field availability (the league has way more teams than field space), and the needs of a particular division (tee ball teams do not need pitching mounds and outfield fences, for example).

## XII. UNIFORMS

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Summerlin South Little League is proud to offer what it considers the highest quality uniforms among other Little Leagues. Each player receives the following:

- MLB-replica jersey
- Knicker-style baseball pants (gray for Minors A division and below; white for AA division and above)
- Belt
- Socks
- Hat

**Each player and team must wear the entire uniform provided by the league. Teams are not permitted to "upgrade" or otherwise alter uniform elements (pants, hats, etc.).** The league's practice is to upgrade uniform elements starting at the AAA division level. For example, AAA players receive flex-fit hats. Majors division and above players receive fitted hats and full button jerseys.

Players receive their uniform before Opening Day. Unworn pants can be exchanged for a different size at or before Opening Day. Jerseys will only be exchanged if the delivered jersey was not the size ordered. Otherwise the player's family is responsible for the cost of replaced or re-ordered items.

### UNIFORM SIZE CHARTS

#### Jerseys

	<b>S</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>XL</b>	<b>XXL</b>	<b>XXXL</b>	<b>XXXXL</b>
MEN	36"-38"	40"-42"	44"-46"	48"-50"	52"-54"	56"-58"	60"-62"
WOMEN	4-6	8-10	12-14	16-18	20-22	N/A	N/A
YOUTH	6-8	10-12	14-16	18-20	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### Pants

	<b>XS</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>XL</b>	<b>XXL</b>	<b>XXXL</b>	<b>XXXXL</b>
MEN	24"-26"	28"-30"	32"-34"	36"-38"	40"-42"	44"-46"	48"-50"	52"-64"
WOMEN	24"-26"	26"-28"	28"-30"	30"-32"	33"-36"	36"-39."	N/A	N/A
YOUTH	18"	19"-20"	24"-26"	28-30"	32"-34"	N/A	N/A	N/A

## **XIII. OPENING DAY**

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Each fall season, the league kicks off the season with a huge Opening Day celebration at Mesa Park. Opening Day is filled with fun and excitement, including a skills challenge featuring the Majors Division players, a home run derby featuring the Majors Division sluggers, food, music, the parade of teams, and a visit from college or professional baseball players. Team and individual player pictures are also taken on Opening Day.

Opening Day is also an excellent opportunity to purchase Summerlin South Little League fan gear, buy extra or surplus uniforms or gear at a steep discount, and participate in the Opening Day raffle fundraiser.

This fall's Opening Day is September 8, 2018. The schedule of events will be announced in late August.

## **XIV. GAME SCHEDULES**

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Games for most teams will begin on Opening Day. Younger teams in the tee ball divisions usually start their games the week after opening day. The regular season for all divisions will end by early November.

Each team typically plays two games per week (one weeknight; one Saturday) unless there is a bye situation or holiday. The league plays most games at the Mesa Park, although some games may be played at Vistas Park or the ball fields of our interleague partners (see the website or Parent & Coach handbook for addresses and location). Games are scheduled in two slots each night: 5:15 and 7:30. Younger teams (Minors A and below) play in the early time slot and older teams (Minors AAA and above) play exclusively in the later time slot. Minors AA can potentially play in both time slots.

The number of games a team will play in a given season varies by division:

### Tee Ball divisions:

Tee Ball Minors:	12 games
Tee Ball Majors:	12 games

### Baseball divisions:

Minors A:	12-14 games + postseason tournament
Minors AA:	14-16 games + postseason tournament
Minors AAA:	16-18 games + postseason tournament
Majors:	18-20 games + postseason tournament
Intermediate (50/70):	TBD
Juniors:	TBD
Seniors :	TBD

The game schedules are not created until teams are rostered. It is usually released two weeks before the season starts. Therefore, it is impossible to predict when a given team or division will play. The league typically has over 60 teams playing two games per week in tight succession. Requests for games to not be played on certain days therefore cannot be considered.

Summerlin South Little League does not schedule games during CCSD breaks. However, coaches may still elect to have practices during those times. In some instances, games are scheduled for the Friday night before a holiday weekend or the Monday evening ending a holiday weekend.

## XV. END OF SEASON TOURNAMENTS & AWARDS

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The Tee Ball Majors & Minors divisions do not have an end of season tournament. These divisions are considered purely non-competitive and instructional. Participation trophies are awarded to each player in these divisions.

All other divisions (Minors A and above) will have an end of season tournament. The tournament format varies based on the size of the division and field availability. But the league typically selects a format that guarantees each team to play at least two tournament games.

Trophies are not awarded for regular season champions or runners-up. Instead, the focus of the regular season should be player development. For this reason, tournament formats will not always favor higher regular season seeds as much as one might expect. **The league's primary goal is to create the most competitive tournament possible—not reward higher regular season seeds.**

Trophies are awarded to the tournament champions and runners-up in each division. Depending on the division's size and structure, a 3rd-place trophy might be awarded.

The league also provides participation medals to all Minors A players, regardless of where their team finishes in the tournament.

For the purposes of tournament seeding, in the event of a tie, the better seed will be determined as follows:

1. The team with the best record in head-to-head play;
2. The team with the best overall record ignoring inter-league play;
3. Runs Against;
4. Runs For; or
5. Coin flip.

The tournament bracket or rules will outline the format for tournament ties.



# XVI. CODES OF CONDUCT

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## CODE OF CONDUCT

Any manager, coach, player, or parent/member who conducts himself/herself in an unsportsmanlike manner while participating in any Summerlin South Little League function shall be removed from further participation. Players, Managers, Coaches, or any party associated with any Summerlin South Little League team shall not ride, abuse, heckle, or make uncomplimentary remarks whatsoever, to any opposing player, umpire or team official. Any individual violating this regulation may be ejected from the game.

The team manager will be responsible for the conduct of his coaches, players and parents. The umpire can eject the manager for your behavior.

ANY PLAYER, MANAGER, COACH OR PARTY ACCOMPANYING A TEAM WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE GAME FROM THE TIME OF RULE INFRACTION IF THEY:

1. Use profane language after being warned.
2. Make any unnecessary gesture in protesting an umpire's decision. Only the manager or coach may ask for a clarification of a rule and the umpire in chief must give him such clarification.
3. Throw helmets, bats or any other equipment.
4. Make unnecessary gestures to fans or opposing players.
5. Use alcoholic beverages of any kind on the playing field, dugout or on Summerlin or City parks or School District property.
6. Use tobacco on the playing field, dugout or general area of the game.

Any player ejected from the game will be required to remain in the dugout. If any MANAGER or COACH is ejected from the game, they must leave the park. They can no longer take part in the game. If he/she refuses or creates a problem, the game in progress may be suspended until the problem is resolved. If the situation gets uncontrollable, the police will be called. The above also pertains to parents, fans or family members.

The *minimum* penalty for any player, manager, coach, or member ejected from a game for any of the above will be:

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| 1st time: | Suspended for 1 league game       |
| 2nd time: | Suspended for 3 consecutive games |

The penalty for additional ejections or more flagrant offenses will be decided by the Summerlin South Little League Discipline Committee.

A manager or coach suspended for any reason is not permitted to be at the game site, including parking lots. They must not take any part in the game, nor have any communications whatsoever with any persons at the game site. Violation may result in further suspension and possible forfeiture of a game.

There will be no toleration for fighting (deliberate body contact). Any manager, coach, player, spectator, parent, or anyone associated with the league, caught fighting in or around the playing field, before, during or after a game or practice, will be suspended for 1 game and be subject to further disciplinary action. There is no room for this type of behavior. There will be no warnings or no second chances when it comes to fighting.

## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the Summerlin South Little League, have implemented the following Sport Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Parents should read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in our league.

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games.

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Good Citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

I therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or Parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
14. I will promote the emotional and physical wellbeing of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
16. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
17. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

## **XVII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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Please consult the Parent & Coach Handbook or the league's website at [www.summerlinsouthll.org](http://www.summerlinsouthll.org) for more details or for additional information, including:

- Becoming a manager or coach;
- Training for scorekeepers, team parents, and other volunteers;
- How the draft works;
- What equipment is needed and what equipment the league supplies;
- Little League bat requirements and restrictions on what bats can be used;
- Field access policies;
- Playing rules and regulations;
- Safety policies and procedures;
- All-Stars;
- The location of the league's fields & facilities; and
- Sponsoring a team & fundraising.