

Welcome to our Shakopee Tournament - we are excited to host 88 teams at our event this summer!

### **Umpires:**

Our umpires will primarily be players from our Youth Baseball Association. Please be sure to verify scorecards and pitch counts with them/they have cards to fill out each game. We take great pride in training our players in this facet of the game; all have been through umpire training and have various game/tourney experiences. The higher the level, the more experienced umpires you will see. The Shakopee Town Team baseball players will be umpiring the 11's on Saturday. We will have ZERO TOLERANCE for any coaches, fans, or players interacting negatively with any of the umpires (individually removed from the tournament). As you should already know, there is an umpire shortage. It is not an easy task to umpire games and criticizing them makes it even more difficult. Please respect and encourage these young umpires as if they were your own kids and monitor your coaches, players, and fans - enjoy watching the games!

### **Heat:**

Bring lots of water. The only covered benches (dugouts) are at the Johnson Complex (E, C, W), WMS NE Upper, Westminster, and Green Meadow. Feel free to bring pop-up tent coverings for your benches at the other fields if you wish.

### **Concessions:**

We will have full concessions including grilled burgers and hot dogs at Tahpah Park (building between fields 2-4), Muenchow Fields, and at the white building between Johnson Fields E and C. We will also have a tent concession stand set up between Tahpah Fields 6-7 on Saturday. Please support our association's efforts in this fundraiser. We'd recommend The Shakopee Bowl if you're looking for an off-site venue (large indoor and outdoor space that includes great burgers, wings, ice cream, and a turf wiffle ball field).

### **Parking - please follow these hints to help spread out the parking options when playing at these fields:**

- Tahpah 1-4 = enter east parking lot off Marystown Road
- Tahpah 5-8 = enter west parking lot off Vierling Drive
- Johnson Complex E and C = Parking lot off Spencer St just east of football stadium/walk through "Neil Johnson Softball Complex" arch to get to fields
- Johnson W = Parking lot off Vierling Drive located between Fields W and C
- Muenchow 1-3 = Community Center parking lot off Fuller St - some can park on Fuller
- West Middle School NE Upper = WMS lot by swimming pool (enter lot off Spencer/10th Ave)
- Green Meadows, Pearson, and Sweeney all have parking lots
- Westminster lot by building at Field #2; Street parking near townhomes for field 1

### **Tourney Shirts**

- If pre-ordered, we will deliver them to your team's bench at your first game.
- We will have some extras at the concessions stand, but they always sell out fast.

### **Town Team Game Friday Night**

- Looking to make a full night out of Friday? Our Shakopee Indians Town Team is playing at Joe Schleper Stadium in Tahpah Park at 7:30 (free admission for kids in uniforms; \$2 adults)
- Full concessions with adult beverages - great atmosphere and plenty of seating options

### **Tourney Machine App**

- We will have schedules, results, and pitch counts updated throughout the tournaemnt on this app. If we have inclement weather, the game time updates will be on Tourney Machine.

### **If Rain**

- Do NOT go onto the fields and try to push around water. Our fields drain well naturally, and we will have trained crews ready. If you push water too early, you will actually delay the process of playing on your field. Be patient and stay off the fields.

"We love watching you play!"

Shakopee Youth Baseball Association