

# 11 & 12 Yr Old In-House Tournament Notes:



## HOUSEKEEPING ISSUES:

- Due to the tournament format and multiples games in a day, will be **NO INFIELD PRACTICE** on the field before any game. You may warmup with your team in the outfield only, time permitting. The field crews need the infield to get it prepared and chalked between each game. If you do soft toss on an outfield fence, you may only use **WHIFFLE BALLS**. No soft toss on fence with regular baseballs.
- We know who the high seed is before each game starts; therefore the high seed **HOME** team should take the **first base dugout** just like we do in the regular season.
- Dugout sportsmanship: we need to be sure we leave our dugouts clean after each game. **Players** are responsible for doing this cleanup. Garbage cans are right outside each dugout. Perhaps designate one parent or coach to keep the players on task for this.
- Players and coaches should bring their own water bottles/coolers for the game. The concession stand will also be open this weekend.
- After cleaning, please be sure your players leave their dugout quickly so the next team can enter. Teams coming for the next game, please be sure to wait away from the door so the exiting players have room to leave.
- Pets are NOT permitted at Caswell Park.

## 11 & 12 yr olds specific rules, same as regular season:

- Games are 6 innings.
- Two (2) hour time limit on every game, unless game is tied.
- We will then play extra innings to determine a winner as we are in bracket play for the whole weekend. (There will be NO use of the international tie breaker rule).
- There is **NO 10 run rule** for 11 & 12 yr olds.
- We still follow the seven run rule per inning, with the exception of the 6<sup>th</sup> (last inning) where it is waived. Once a team scores 7 runs in their half of an inning, and play in which the 7<sup>th</sup> run has scored is completed, that inning will be declared over.
- Base runner may not leave his base until the ball reaches the batter
- Base runners may steal second or third base. Base runners may only steal home on a passed ball for a solo steal. Deliberate baiting of the pitcher and/or catcher by the base runner is prohibited. When the ball goes back to the pitcher and the pitcher catches it, the ball is dead.
- A dropped third strike is the same as if it were caught.
- Courtesy runner is allowed for the catcher with 2 outs, not mandatory. Courtesy runner would be player who made the last out.
- A team may begin with 8 players and the missing player's spot in the lineup is NOT an out.
- Coaches are responsible for following the pitching limitation rules. Umpires will keep track of these on the field and submit them on their scorecards.

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## 5.00 PLAYOFFS - AND AWARDS

- (a) Based on the regular season's final standings, all teams will compete in an end-of-season tournament conducted on a weekend, see schedule. (Friday night if needed). All teams will receive three games in the tournament, if at all possible.
- (b) Suspended games – resumes at the exact point of suspension of the original game. Suspended game definition: any game which does not reach the completion of a full 6 inning game (5 ½ if the home team is ahead)
- (c) Pitching:
1. Each pitcher is allowed 3 consecutive innings per game with no more than 4 innings per day. New innings start on Friday night.
  2. Suspended game: innings are charged per original schedule. IE If a game is suspended on Saturday and resumed on Sunday, the innings pitched in that game on Sunday are charged to Saturday.
- (d) Trophies and Awards for In-House Tournaments:
- \*For tournaments or divisions with 8 or more teams competing, there will be individual trophies awarded for first, second and third place teams.
  - \*For tournaments or divisions with less than 8 teams competing, there will be individual trophies awarded for first and second place teams.
- (e) Home Team is determined by high seed for play-off games.
- (f) Regular season time limit is in effect for all playoff games; however tied games must be completed during bracket play. Pool play games may end in a tie. (no pool play in 2010)

### **Forfeit Rule for bracket play:**

Should a team forfeit a game in bracket or pool play for a lack of players, the opposing team will be awarded a win of 1-0, and the forfeiting may continue bracket play for any scheduled games remaining if they have enough players.