

Mechanicsville Little League

2016 Play Up / Play Down

Little League International provides the age ranges for its recognized divisions. It is the local league's Board of Directors responsibility to determine divisional breakdown and age ranges within their program in accordance with Little League International guidelines. Mechanicsville Little League has adopted specific age divisions as described within our Division Description document (located on our website).

Play-Up: Participating in a division in which the league age of its players is older than the candidate wishing to play.

Parents may request that their child play in a division one (1) age above their child's league age.

- 1. Parents should register their child in the division in which their child falls based on their league age. When registering, check the box indicating that you wish for your child to play-up.
- 2. Parents must contact the Director over the upper division and express their request.
- 3. All New players to MLL wishing to play-up MUST attend evaluations in the upper division.
- 4. If during evaluations that safety concerns arise, VP's and directors will meet to discuss.

Play-Down: Participating in a division in which the league age of its players is younger than the candidate wishing to play.

Parents may request that their child play down one (1) age division due to safety concerns.

- 1. Parents should register their child in the division in which their child falls based on their league age.
- 2. Parents must then contact the Director of their league age division and express their concerns and request for the child to be placed in the age group below their current league age.
- 3. The Director will then discuss the request with managers, coaches, and additional personnel for the two age groups and make a decision to grant the request or deny the request.
- 4. Please note that any player, participating in a division below their league age will forfeit any post season considerations.