



CVLL 2019 Managers/ Coaches Meeting

24 Feb 2019

Please Sign In!!!!!!



Purpose of Little League



Little League is a program of service to youth. It is geared to provide an outlet of healthful activity and training under good leadership in the atmosphere of wholesome community participation. The movement is dedicated to helping children become good and decent citizens. It inspires them with a goal and enriches their lives towards the day when they must take their places in the world. It establishes the values of teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play.



EXPECTATIONS OF MANAGERS/ COACHES



Expectations of Managers/ Coaches



- Hold Regular & Organized Practices
 - * Teach fundamentals
 - * Instill confidence
- Know The Rules
 - * Read your rule book - also available on line
 - * Understand District 5 Inter-League Rules - provided on-line
- Adequate Playing Time for All Players
 - * Minimum play rules
 - * Move players around as appropriate
- Exhibit Good Sportsmanship
 - * Starts with you and your coaches
 - * Demand it from your players and fans
 - * Respect the other team
 - * Respect the umpires





Communicating With Umpires



- Introduce Yourself During Pre-game Conference
- Questionable Calls Are Going To Happen - How You React Will Impact The Experience of Your Players and Fans
- If A Questionable Call Occurs And You Would Like To Discuss It With The Umpire During The Inning:
 - * Call Time - Ensure time is called prior to entering the field
 - * Walk onto field with a calm demeanor
 - * Discuss the call with the umpire in a calmly
 - * Request the umpire ask for help if appropriate
 - * Respect the final decision - Leave The Field Calmly
- Do Not Argue Balls and Strikes!!!!
- The Dugout Is Not Sound Proof
- Thank The Umpires After The Game
- There Will Be Kids Umpiring Games - Act Like The Adult
- **Repeated Disrespect To Umpires Will Result In Disciplinary Actions**



Coaching Resources



- Have A Plan For Practices
 - * Minimize time spent standing around
 - * Use your coaches and help from parents
 - * Focus on fundamentals
 - * Make it fun!!!!
- Lots Of Resources On-line
 - * Little League University: www.littleleagueu.org
 - * Little League On-line: www.littleleague.org
 - * Positive Coaching Alliance: www.positivecoach.org
 - * Google is a wonderful thing!!!
- Coaches Clinic - Monday 4 March 7 PM Mehl Field #1 or Cat Foot High School
- Ask An Experienced Coach For Help



Game Responsibilities/ Support



- Pre-Game Field Preparation - Home Team
- Post-Game Field Clean Up - Visiting Team
- Scorekeeping (Home Team)
 - * Official Scorekeeper (AAA/Majors/Upper Division)
 - * Scoreboard Operator (AAA/Majors/Upper Division)
 - * Pitch Count (both teams AA Division and Up baseball only)
 - * Game Coordinator
 - * Scorebook and Pitch Count Book provided in equipment bag
- Team Parent
 - * Pictures, snack tickets, etc
 - * Please purchase snack bar tickets in lieu of bringing post game snacks
- Ensure All Recurring Volunteers Interacting w/ Players Have a Completed Volunteer Application



Player Safety



- Player Safety Is Your Responsibility While At The Park
- Ensure Players Are Not Left By Themselves Before Or After Practice
- Ask Parents To Notify You If A Player Is Going To Miss A Practice Or Game
 - * Follow up w/ parents if there is an unexpected absence
- For Younger Players, Do Not Let Them Wander Park Alone
- Make Sure You Know Who Is Picking Up Players From Practice/ Games



RULES



Rules Governing Little League Baseball & Softball



- 2019 Official Regulations and Playing Rules
 - * Baseball: Green & White Rule Book
 - * Softball: Orange & White Rule Book
 - * Provided in equipment bag
- 2019 Little League Operating Manual
 - * For board officials only
- Approved District 5 Inter-League Rules
 - * Can find on CVLL website and District 5 website (www.azdistrict5.org)



RULE XIVa - Field Decorum



The actions, on or off the field, of players, managers, coaches, umpires and league officials must be above reproach. Any player, manager, coach, umpire or league representative who is involved in a verbal or physical altercation, or an incident of unsportsmanlike conduct, at the game site or any other Little League activity including through online or social media, is subject to disciplinary action by the Local League Board of Directors.

WE WILL NOT TOLERATE POOR BEHAVIOR!!!!



Bat Rules



- Bat Diameter
 - * Softball: 2 1/4"
 - * Baseball (CP and up): 2 5/8" or 2 1/4"
 - * Baseball (T-Ball): 2 1/4"
- All Non-Wood Bats Shall:
 - * Have a USA BASEBALL Stamp
 - Not required for T-Ball and Softball
 - Please check Little League website for latest list of approved bats
- Batting Donuts Are Prohibited
- Do Not Allow Illegal Bats In Dugout



Pitch Count Rules



BASEBALL ONLY

AGE	Pitches/Day
7-8	50 Pitches
9-10	75 Pitches
11-12	85 Pitches
13-16	95 Pitches
17-18	105 Pitches



Rest Rules For Pitchers



BASEBALL ONLY (14 yo & under)

Pitches/Day	Rest Period
1-20 Pitches	0 Days
21-35 Pitches	1 Day
36-50 Pitches	2 Day
51-65 Pitches	3 Days
66 or more	4 Days

A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day!!!

A player that has played the position of catcher into the first pitch of the 4th inning (or in any 4 consecutive innings) can not pitch that day

A player who played the position of catcher for 3 innings or less, moves to the pitcher position, and delivers 21 pitches or more in the same day, may not return to the catcher position on that calendar day



Coaching Staff



- Little League Allows
 - * 3 Coaches Per Team (dugout/field for games)
- Notify League of Coaching Staff
 - * Must Be Approved By Board
 - * Must Have Volunteer Application
 - * Must Pass Background Check
- Only Approved Coaches Allowed In Dugout



Mehl Park Rules



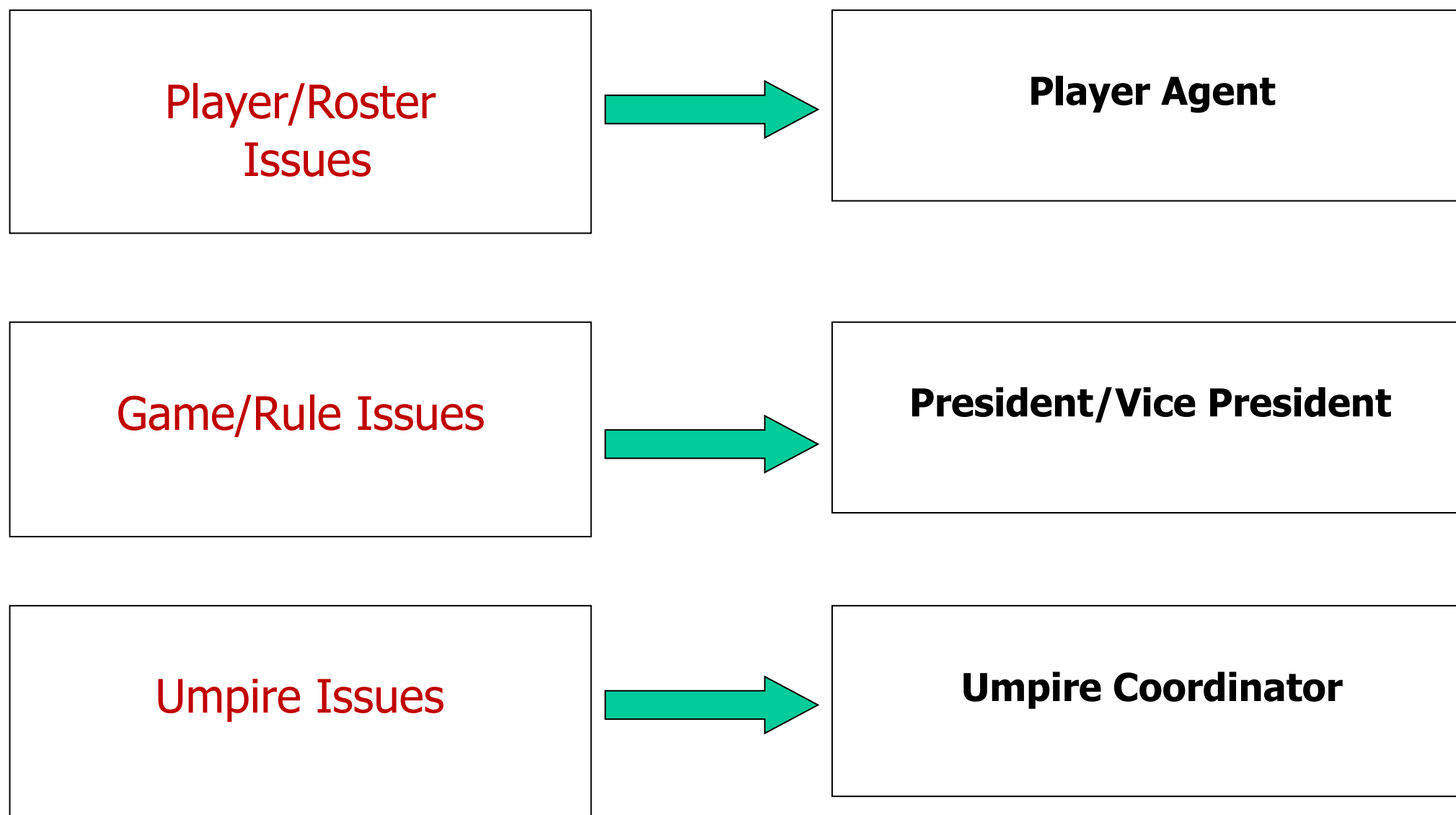
- Consumption of Alcohol Prohibited
 - * Regulation XIV (e)
- Fields Are Open For Community Use On Sundays
- Pick Up Trash
- Disturbing The Peace
 - * No person shall maliciously and willfully disturb the peace or quiet of a neighborhood, family or person by: loud or unusual noise; tumultuous or offensive conduct; threatening, traducing, quarreling, challenge to fight or fighting; or applying any violent, abusive or obscene epithets to another.
- We Have Some Of the Best Fields In The District - Please Keep Them That Way!!!!



WHO TO ASK



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Player Agent Contact Info



- Baseball (Majors):

- * Tom Curtis, email: tomcurtis0605@gmail.com

- * Tarik Sultan, email: sultan@azimm.com

- Baseball (AAA):

- * Jeff Saffer, email: jeffsaffer@gmail.com

- * Jim Kirkendall, email: jimkirken@hotmail.com

- Baseball (AA, CP, T-Ball):

- * Sheldon Brown, email: sheldon.brown@comcast.net

- Softball (All Divisions):

- * Jamie Thomas, email: jamiethomas@afni.com



Other Important Contacts



- Umpire In Chief: Kelly Cleveland, canyonviewumpires@gmail.com
- Field Items: Sheldon Brown, sheldon.brown@comcast.net

Ben Weege, benweege@gmail.com

- Safety Issues/Injuries: Jen Allen, jen@bodycentralpt.com
- Equipment Issues: Wally Dowe, ventancanyon1@qwestoffice.net

Joey Matalone, joeymatalone@gmail.com

- Softball Vice President: Debbie Copeland, debbie.i.copeland@gmail.com
- Baseball Vice President: Zak Anderson, mzakanderson@aol.com
- President: Bryan Shoemaker, bryanshoemaker@hotmail.com, 603-502-3534



What If You Don't Have Enough Players For A Game?



- Contact Your Division Player Agent
 - * Can call up players to bring game roster to 9
 - * Majors - will coordinate between majors team
 - * AA/AAA - Player pool will be determined and Player Agent will select from pool
 - Managers can not hand pick a replacement player
- Replacement Player Must Meet Minimum Play Requirements
 - * Can not pitch or catch in game
- Notify Player Agent As Early As Possible



OTHER GOOD STUFF



In-Season Practices



- Teams Will Have 1 Allocated Practice Day For In-Season Practice
- All Practices Held at Mehl Park
- Lower Division Teams Practice From 5-7 PM
- Baseball AAA Practices Held On Saturdays
- Majors Divisions and above Held from 7-9 PM
- May Be Asked To Share Fields
- Batting Cages
 - * Priority to teams who have practice scheduled
 - * Softball teams have priority for softball batting cages
 - * Teams w/ games have priority for cages 1 hr before game time
 - * Will provide method for signing up for cage time
 - * Be courteous and share the cages



CVLL Equipment Use



- Field Box Keys Available Through Eileen Majeski (esmajeski@hotmail.com)
 - * \$20 deposit required
 - * Same key used for L-screens and batting cages
- Light Schedule
 - * Lights are largest expense for CVLL
 - * Lights will be scheduled for all practices/games
 - * If you cancel practice early or finish early, contact Bryan Shoemaker to turn off lights
- Ensure All Equipment Is Placed In Field Box



Spring Calendar



- Week of 25 Feb: Practices Start
- Early March: Game distributed and in-season practice schedule set
- 16 March: Opening Day
 - * All teams participate in opening day ceremonies
 - * First day of spring games
 - * Inter-leagues games will start week of 1 April
- April: CVLL Days @ Cat Foot Games (dates TBD)
- Late May: Last games for all divisions. Play-offs for AAA/Majors Baseball & Softball
 - * Turn in equipment bags after last game
- 19 May: Post Season Skills Evaluation For All Stars
 - * Please promote the CVLL All Star Program



Pictures/Uniforms/Sponsors



- Juli Jewell Will Be Taking CVLL Photographs
 - * She will contact you to set up a time for team photos
- Uniforms Are On Order For All Teams
 - * Includes Hat, Jersey, Socks
 - * Will be provided prior to first games
- CVLL Relies Heavily On Sponsorship
 - * Please contact me if you know of anyone who would like to sponsor the league



SUMMARY



It's Time To Play Ball!!!



- Remember Why We Are Here
 - * Winning games is not mentioned as part of the purpose of Little League
- Respect The Game
- Leverage Coaching Resources
- Know The Rules
- Reach Out If You Have A Question Or Issue
- Be Responsible When Using The Fields/CVLL Equipment
- Remember CVLL Is A Volunteer Organization
 - * We are all here for the kids!!!!



QUESTIONS