

CANYON VIEW LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STAR DOCUMENT 2023

This document is specific to the 2023 All-Star season. It will be reviewed and revised, as needed, by the Board of Directors in the off season.

ALL-STAR SEASON

At the end of the regular season and playoff tournament the Little League International All-Star Season begins. With multiple divisions available, Canyon View Little League is eligible to participate in the following divisions for Baseball and Softball for the 2023 season:

CVLL 2023 BASEBALL ALL-STAR TEAMS:

1. **Little League, or 12U All-Stars** (12, 11, & 10-yr olds)
Offered for players 12 and under who played Majors
2. **11U All-Stars** (11, 10 & 9-yr olds)
Offered for players 11 and under who played Majors
3. **10U All-Stars** (10, 9, & 8-yr olds)
Offered for 10yr olds in Majors and players 10 and under who played AAA

CVLL 2023 SOFTBALL ALL-STAR TEAMS:

To Be Determined based on player interest

To be eligible for All-Stars you must live within the CVLL boundary, attend school within the CVLL boundary, or have an approved waiver from Little League International with all conditions met.

Sportsmanship, skill, and character are pillars of CVLL's All-Star teams. Selected All-Star players make a commitment to play for CVLL against other teams from District 5 in Tucson, with the winner of those District tournaments advancing to the AZ State Little League Tournaments for their respective Divisions.

The Little League 12U Division Team can advance from the State Tournament to the Western Regional Tournament, and then on to the Little League World Series played in Williamsport, Pennsylvania and aired on ESPN - the ultimate prize!

OUR OBJECTIVES

1. Play to Win!
2. Provide a positive all-around youth baseball tournament experience for players of CVLL.
3. Create competitive teams with players that have made a commitment to participate for the duration of the All-Star Season.
4. Provide players with a high level of training and coaching in an intensely competitive environment to prepare for tournament competition.
5. Select All-Star Managers and Coaches from regular season teams that have demonstrated a strong ability to maximize player potential in a challenging and nurturing manner.
6. Be open and honest about playing roles and playing time with All-Star players and parents.
7. Train to Win, Win with Class, and Win or Lose we Respect the game and all those involved!

ALL-STAR COACHES & PLAYER SELECTION COMMITTEE

Current Managers and Coaches are eligible to be selected as Managers of an All-Star team. Each interested Coach must submit written notice to the President with the reasons why they feel they would be a good selection to lead the

team. The selection of All-Star Team Managers is at the sole discretion of the President of the League. The All-Star Manager will recommend 2 Assistant Coaches to be approved by the President.

All regular season Managers and Assistant Coaches of Majors & AAA teams are automatically placed on the All-Star Player Selection Committee.

ALL-STAR REGISTRATION, EVALUATION, & PLAYER SELECTION

All-Star candidates are composed of players that have registered, reached the minimum eligible playing requirements, AND have submitted an All-Star Commitment Form that confirms the player's availability to compete for the entire summer. **Interested players will need to register in the system between April 22nd and May 13th.**

CVLL holds an open All-Star Evaluation for any player that meets all requirements noted above. All-Star coaches and evaluators are present during the evaluation to provide the Manager with information and feedback to help choose the players that ultimately make the team.

All-Star candidates are required to attend the Evaluation.

Players are required to attend the Evaluation of their league age group only.

12yrs olds – May 21st 8-10am – Field 2

11yrs olds – May 21st 10-12pm – Field 2

10, 9, 8yr olds – May 21st 8-10am – Field 1

Make up sessions will be on a case-by-case basis and will require approval from both the All-Star Manager and President.

After All-Star registration is closed, each member of the All-Star Player Selection Committee will submit an anonymous electronic vote selecting the 12 players they feel should make up the All-Star team for each applicable division. Committee Members from Majors will vote for league age 12 & 11 year olds, and Committee Members from AAA will vote for league age 10 and below. The votes are tallied by the VP of Baseball and will then be used for consideration, along with the results of the Evaluation, by the Coaches and Committee when discussing the formation of teams.

It's important to note, Managers and Coaches evaluate players during the regular season as well as at the end of season Evaluation. Regular season Managers are the best source of information for All-Star Managers and participate in the All-Star selection process by providing information regarding regular season statistics and the overall performance of players they feel have an opportunity to succeed during All-Stars. While the All-Star Evaluation is important in determining the players that will be chosen, even more important is how each player performed throughout the regular season. By the time the Evaluation takes place, most All-Star Managers have an idea of the players they feel will best fit their team and give them the best opportunity to win. Realistically, the Manager may only be looking for the final 2-3 players to make the team. The 2-hour Evaluation gives the Manager an opportunity to meet all the players, run them through some drills, and ultimately finalize the roster based on individual skill, specific team need, and anticipated need based on tournament style of play.

THE COMMITMENTS

Each player must be willing to commit himself/herself completely to the All-Star team and the schedule set forth by the Manager and tournament officials. The Manager of each team, and his/her respective coaches, will establish a schedule for practices, conditioning, and player events from the date of roster announcement until the final date of competition. Parents and players are expected to "buy in" to the All-Star program 100% and support their player and other teammates in order to foster a more unified team support system.

Managers, coaches, players, and their families have a significant time commitment to be part of an All-Star team. Many times, the commitment means canceling or rescheduling your family's Summer vacation plans because the All-

Star season could last up to 2-3-months. Teams begin practicing as soon as June 1st and generally practice 6 days a week leading up to the District Tournament. During the tournament, teams play 5 to 6 games over a two-week stretch with many games on back-to-back nights.

Teams that win the District Tournament move onto the State Tournament. Teams that move on will continue to practice up to 6 days a week leading up to the State Tournament. It is more likely than not, participation in the State Tournament will require travel outside of Tucson. The Majors team can continue to play if they win the State Tournament as their journey continues. While the All-Star season is a great and memorable experience for our children and families, there are many sacrifices along the way.

MANDATORY PLAY

NEW for 2023: MANDATORY PLAY - CONTINUOUS BATTING ORDER: All Tournament Teams must utilize a continuous batting order that will include all players on the team affidavit present at the start of the game, to appear in the batting order. Each player is required to bat in his/her respective spot in the batting order. A player may be entered and/or re-entered defensively in the game at any time. **There are no mandatory DEFENSIVE play requirements!**

Baseball: A player may be entered and/or re-entered defensively in the game at any time. Tournament Rule 4 (c) provisions apply: Pitchers once removed from the mound, may not return as pitchers.

Softball: A player may be entered and/or re-entered defensively in the game at any time. Tournament Rule 4 (c) provisions apply: A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different position, can return as a pitcher anytime in the remainder of the game, but only once in the same inning as she was removed.

Our objective is to win and each manager will abide by the minimum playing time rules established by Little League International. However, playing time will not be equal for all players and allocation will be at the sole discretion of the manager. There will be players who may regularly hit towards the bottom of the lineup and only get 1 AB per game, while not playing any innings in the field.

The value in the All-star experience is not only in the games, but also in the practices. With the amount of time spent during practices in player development, over the years, players have experienced tremendous growth both as baseball players and as citizens representing the Team, the League, and Tucson.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

The 2023 All Star fee has not been established as of yet, but families should expect to pay around \$150 per All-Star player to assist with costs. In addition, families can expect to purchase new baseball/softball pants, socks and belt for their All-Star player. Uniform jerseys/hats and practice shirts will be provided.

District Tournament Games are held throughout Tucson and if qualified, State Tournament Games will most likely be held out of town. Travel, meals, and lodging will be at the family's expense.

CVLL has always taken into consideration the financial commitment required and how that may affect a player's ability to participate. CVLL strives to work with families to provide financial assistance, as needed, on a case-by-case basis.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE (Subject to Change Without Notice!)

Each year, different Leagues around the State volunteer to host District and State Tournaments on their home fields. The host League's commitment includes many volunteer hours to organize and run the tournaments. Because Little League is an all-volunteer organization, tournament schedules are often confirmed just weeks before the games begin and are subject to change without much notice. It is possible that our All-Star teams will compete at a high level and play until late July and for Majors, potentially August. **PLEASE REFER TO SAMPLE SCHEDULE BELOW.**

SAMPLE SCHEDULE – These dates are intended to be used a guideline ONLY and will be subject to change even after announced!

SATURDAY 5/13 - All-Star Registrations Due
SUNDAY 5/21 - All-Star Evaluations
THURSDAY 6/1 - Practice Starts

WEEKDAY PRACTICE 5-7 PM, 6-8 PM, or 7-9PM (based on field availability)
SATURDAY PRACTICE 8-10 AM
ALL GAMES 5:00-7:00 PM or 7:30-9:30 PM

Week 1 Practice: Thursday - Saturday (6/1 - 6/3)
Week 2 Practice: Monday - Saturday (6/5 - 6/10)
Week 3 Practice: Monday - Saturday (6/12 - 6/17)
Week 4 & 5: District Tournament (6/19 - 6/30)

- Monday - GAME 1
- Tuesday - OFF
- Wednesday - PRACTICE
- Thursday - GAME 2
- Friday - PRACTICE
- Saturday - GAME 3
- Sunday - OFF
- Monday - PRACTICE
- Tuesday - GAME 4
- Wednesday – PRACTICE
- Thursday - PRACTICE
- Friday - GAME 5

July 4th – POTENTIAL Days off 7/1 – 7/4

Week 6 Practice: Wednesday - Saturday (7/5 - 7/8)
Week 7 & 8: State Tournament (7/11 - 7/22)

- Monday - PRACTICE
- Tuesday - GAME 1
- Wednesday - GAME 2
- Thursday - PRACTICE
- Friday - GAME 3
- Saturday - GAME 4
- Sunday - OFF
- Monday - GAME 5
- Tuesday - PRACTICE
- Wednesday - GAME 6
- Thursday - GAME 7

Only the 12U Majors Division has the opportunity to Advance beyond State

Week 9 & 10 Practice: Schedule determined by 12U Manager

Week 11 & 12: Southwest Regional Tournament (8/8 - 8/18)

*District Tournament is held in Tucson at locations TBD

*State Tournaments in 2023 are **planned** to be held in the following locations:

10U All-Stars in Tucson, 11U All-Stars in Nogales & Sierra Vista, and 12U All-Stars in Flagstaff

ALL Locations are Subject to Change Without Notice!