

League Location & Player Selection Policy

Taylor Little League

Summary

Taylor Little League strives to be consistent but fair regarding decisions affecting participants and volunteers. This policy defines the League's policy regarding league location and player selection.

Reference

- Current Little League player selection methods may be found at <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/player-selection-approved-draft-methods/>
- The Taylor Little League is based in Taylor, TX. Home games are played on fields in the Taylor, TX, area.

League Boundaries

Taylor Little League encompasses most of eastern Williamson County, east of the Interstate Highway 35 corridor and most of the Thorndale and Rockdale I.S.D. areas. See image below. Participants may determine league eligibility by looking up their home address using the League Finder page. <https://www.littleleague.org/play-little-league/league-finder/>



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Program Selection

Program	Age
Tee-Ball	3 - 6
Coach Pitch	7 - 8
Minors	9 - 10
Majors	11 - 12
Juniors	13 - 14

Player Selection

Little League Player Selection Rules

Little League rules for player selection may be found at

- <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/player-selection-approved-draft-methods/>
- <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/the-player-draft-what-parents-need-to-know/>

All local Little League® programs are required to assign players to teams via a draft once player evaluation conclude to assure divisions are completed. Having a draft is not only a requirement in the Little League Divisions and above, it also allows for parity within your league that will provide for a valuable experience for all players and teams. Leagues are required to choose from one of the three approved Little League Draft Methods that will take place after the player evaluation period.

Player Selection Guidelines

Tee-Ball

The number of teams is determined based on the total number of players registered for this program. Minimum number of players on a team is ten (8).¹

Players in Teeball are selected by one or more of the listed methods.

1. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team
2. Players in their second year of the division may return to their team/coach from the previous spring season.
3. Random drawing or assignment
4. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)

Taylor Little League utilizes this method to help participants

- Feel more comfortable on a team with participants they know to learn team participation and sportsmanship
- Efficiently utilize volunteers in the League
- Arrange practices that fit parent/guardian work or transportation schedules

¹ Please note, if there are enough players to make an additional team and the rosters of the other teams will be brought to nine, this scenario may occur.



Coach Pitch

The number of teams is determined based on the total number of players registered for this program. Minimum number of players on a team is twelve (11).²

Players in this division are placed on teams using the listed methods.

Spring Season

1. All players in Coach Pitch must attend the skills assessment.
2. Draft
 - Players in their first year of the division are drafted.
 - Players in their second year of the division may return to their team/coach from the previous spring season, as long as head coach remains the same.
 - Coaches(3 Max.) may bring their participant(s) onto their team without drafting.
 - Refer to Draft Method for order of selection
3. Team rosters may be filled based on a participant's school district. (Example, participants enrolled in Thrall I.S.D. may pool participants into a team(s).)
 - A team must include a minimum of seven participants from their school district.
 - If a team cannot fill a twelve-player roster, the remaining roster spots are filled by draft.
 - The positions in the draft will begin in the later rounds according to the number of players already included on the roster. For example, if Team A has seven kids, the coach/team will pick in the eighth round of the draft. Total skill assessment scores of the players on the team determine draft round position. The higher the total skill assessment score means the team will be placed in a lower pick position for each round.
4. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)
5. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team. A coach will forfeit a draft position according to the participant's skills assessment rating if that request is granted.
6. Play downs may be submitted to the league in writing, and will be reviewed by the board on a case by case basis.

Fall Season

1. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team
2. Random drawing or assignment
3. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)

Taylor Little League utilizes these methods to

- Create parity in the division
- Encourage team participation and sportsmanship
- Efficiently utilize volunteers in the League
- Arrange practices that fit parent/guardian work or transportation schedules

Taylor Little League reserves the right to modify these guidelines as needed.

² Some exceptions apply



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Little League

A large, light gray watermark of the Taylor Little League logo is centered on the page. The logo consists of the word "TAYLOR" in a bold, sans-serif font at the top. Below it is a rectangular box with a downward-pointing chevron at the bottom. Inside the box, the words "Little League" are written in a cursive script. Below the box is a curved banner with a downward-pointing chevron at the bottom.

Minors Little League Baseball/Softball

The number of teams is determined based on the total number of players registered for this program. Minimum number of players on a team is twelve (12).³

Players in this division are placed on teams using the listed methods.

Spring Season

1. All players in Coach Pitch must attend the skills assessment.
2. Draft
 - Players in their first year of the division are drafted.
 - Players in their second year of the division may return to their team/coach from the previous spring season, as long as head coach remains the same.
 - Coaches (3 Max.) may bring their participant(s) onto their team without drafting.
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3. Team rosters may be filled based on a participant's school district. (Example, participants enrolled in Thrall I.S.D. may pool participants into a team(s).)
 - A team must include a minimum of seven participants from their school district.
 - If a team cannot fill a twelve-player roster, the remaining roster spots are filled by draft.
 - The positions in the draft will begin in the later rounds according to the number of players already included on the roster. For example, if Team A has seven kids, the coach/team will pick in the eighth round of the draft. Total skill assessment scores of the players on the team determine draft round position. The higher the total skill assessment score means the team will be placed in a lower pick position for each round.
4. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)
5. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team. A coach will forfeit a draft position according to the participant's skills assessment rating if that request is granted.
6. Play downs may be submitted to the league in writing, and will be reviewed by the board on a case by case basis.

Fall Season

1. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team
2. Random drawing or assignment
3. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)

Taylor Little League utilizes these methods to

- Create parity in the division
- Encourage team participation and sportsmanship
- Efficiently utilize volunteers in the League
- Arrange practices that fit parent/guardian work or transportation schedules

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³ Some exceptions apply



Majors and Junior Little League Baseball/Softball

The number of teams is determined based on the total number of players registered for this program. Minimum number of players on a team is twelve (12).⁴

Players in this division are placed on teams using the listed methods.

Spring Season

1. All players should attend the skills assessment.
2. Draft
 - Players are drafted according to the Draft Order methodology (below).
 - Sons/Daughters may be drafted by their parent coach using this guidance, <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/the-draft-manager-and-coach-options/>.
3. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)
4. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team. A coach will utilize the draft to grant the request.
5. Play downs may be submitted to the league in writing, and will be reviewed by the board on a case by case bases.

Fall Season

1. Parents/Guardians may request a specific coach or team
2. Random drawing or assignment
3. Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)

Taylor Little League utilizes these methods to

- Create parity in the division
- Encourage team participation and sportsmanship
- Efficiently utilize volunteers in the League
- Arrange practices that fit parent/guardian work or transportation schedules

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Draft Order

Players are selected by one or more of the listed draft methods.

1. Team Draft Positions

- Scores are totaled from Skills Assessment.
- A score is assigned to each returning player for experience.

Division	Points
Coach Pitch	1
Minors	3
Majors	7
Juniors	9

- Total skill assessment score is Experience score plus skills assessment score.
- The team with the highest score would be positioned last in a draft round. The team with the next highest score would be positioned second to last in a draft round.

2. Draft Selection

- First Round
 - Fourth Place Skills Assessment Team selects first player
 - Third Place Skills Assessment Team selects second player
 - Second Place Skills Assessment Team selects third player
 - First Place Skills Assessment Team selects fourth player
- Second Round
 - Fourth Place Skills Assessment Team selects fifth player
 - Third Place Skills Assessment Team selects sixth player
 - Second Place Skills Assessment Team selects seventh player
 - First Place Skills Assessment Team selects eighth player
- Additional Rounds follow same methodology
- Coaches may trade players to accommodate scheduling or player requests. (This requires board and/or coach approval.)

Taylor Little League utilizes this method to help participants

- Feel more comfortable on a team with participants they know to learn team participation and sportsmanship
- Learn the game from a continuous head coach/assistant coach(es)
- Efficiently utilize volunteers in the League
- Arrange practices that fit parent/guardian work or transportation schedules

The Taylor Little League reserves the right to modify or change this process at any time.

