



Baylakes Area SAY

2025 Tony Litt Tournament

July 26th & 27th



Tournament Rules

1. QUALIFICATION:

League standings are determined on a point system, 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss. If two or more teams are tied for any position in the standings, the following tie-breaking rules apply.

- H2H** -Head to Head, then
- GA** -Goals Allowed, then
- SOS** -Strength of Schedule=((defeated opponents' # of wins)-(winning opponent # of losses)) / Games Played
- TB** -Tiebreaker points via Coin flip (league standings only)

U-19 Boys will consist of 8 teams for the tournament. The teams will be placed in 2 pools of four teams each. They will play a 3-game round robin in their pool, two games on Saturday, and one on Sunday. The winner of each pool will advance to the Championship game Sunday afternoon.

U-19 Girls will consist of 8 teams for the tournament. The teams will be placed in 2 pools of four teams each. They will play a 3-game round robin in their pool, two games on Saturday, and one on Sunday. The winner of each pool will advance to the Championship game Sunday afternoon.

U-15 Boys will consist of 16 teams for the tournament. The teams will be placed in 4 pools of four teams each. They will play a 3-game round robin in their pool on Saturday. On Sunday the top points finisher in each pool play in the Semi- final games, winners advance to the Championship game

U-15 Girls will consist of 16 teams for the tournament. The teams will be placed in 4 pools of four teams each. They will play a 3-game round robin in their pool on Saturday. On Sunday the top points finisher in each pool play in the Semi- final games, winners advance to the Championship game.

*** End of year League standings and total points earned during the regular season will be the 2 factors used for Tournament seeding. Tie breaker rules will follow the above outlined methods.*

2. SPORTSMANSHIP:

This is the **highest** priority in all Bay–Lakes Area SAY games. Only positive encouragement of the players is appropriate during the tournament. We do not expect poor sportsmanship to be a problem, but there will simply be **zero tolerance for poor sportsmanship** or anything that is observed by a Field Marshal or other Tournament Official to be so.

This tournament is held to offer the players a positive experience through their participation in a tournament environment, and the highest priority will be on **“KIDS HAVING FUN”**. Behaviors that conflict with this philosophy have no place at this tournament and will be dealt with accordingly:

Coaches, Players, and Spectators will be reprimanded any time there is exhibited behavior or words spoken that are not appropriate. This is applicable to all game situations, but will be especially scrutinized and strongly enforced for negative interactions with **REFEREES**.

If continued poor sportsmanship is observed after being asked by a Tournament Official to stop, the offending individual(s) will be asked to leave the tournament venue altogether, and will likely be required to not participate in any further tournament activities for the remainder of the weekend. There is no appeal of the judgement of Tournament Officials in this realm.

To make it easier for the coaches to coach, spectators must be on the opposite side of the field from the coaches and players during all games (spectators must be on the side of the field with a path and the marked spectator line).

No spectator is allowed to “coach” or perform any perceived coaching activities on the spectator sideline. This is also considered poor sportsmanship and will be subject to the above disciplinary interventions.

Each team is required to play all three of their round robin or bracket games as scheduled. Forfeit games are very unfair for the other participants.

3. PARTICIPATION:

Each team shall have 2 copies of their team roster issued by their district registrar. One copy shall be submitted to the League Commissioner (check with your registrar to ensure this has happened). The other copy should be kept by the coach and made available upon request to any tournament official. No players can be hand written onto the roster. Request a new print out from your registrar if your roster is not current.

Teams and a team coach will present themselves to the Lead Marshall at the concession area **30 minutes prior (or earlier) to their first game** each day for a roster and uniform check, and then report to their scheduled field approximately 15 min before each game and report to the Field Marshall there. Any players arriving late must present themselves for a roster and uniform check as soon as possible before they will be eligible to play.

ALL PLAYERS MUST BE PRESENT ON THE TEAM ROSTER AND PLAY A MINIMUM OF ½ OF THE GAME UNLESS REMOVED FROM THE GAME DUE TO REFUSAL TO PLAY, INJURY, HEALTH ISSUES, OR EJECTION. THIS IS AN SAY RULE AND WILL NOT BE WAIVED FOR THE TOURNAMENT. ANY TEAM IN VIOLATION OF THESE PARTICIPATION RULES MAY FORFEIT ALL GAMES WHERE A VIOLATION EXISTS.

Red card suspensions will carry over from the end of the season. Each game of the tournament will count as a one game suspension, In addition to suspensions for red cards issued during the tournament if a player accumulates two yellow cards in separate tournament games they will serve a one game suspension in the next tournament game that they are scheduled to play in. The player will be allowed to finish the game they are in when the second yellow card is issued. Suspensions not carried out during the tournament will carry over to next season.

4. EQUIPMENT:

All player equipment rules found in the current SAY rulebook will be enforced.

The **home team should change jerseys if there is a color conflict**. If your team does not have alternate jerseys, ask the players to bring a plain (or nearly plain) white T-shirt or pinnie. This is generally enough to resolve color conflicts. Coaches should have a current rulebook with them.

All teams shall bring **3 properly inflated game balls** to the tournament. The first team listed on the schedule is the home team and will furnish the game balls.

5. LENGTH OF PERIODS:

U-15 Boys

Round Robin Games 2 — 20 minute halves

Semi & Final Games 2 — 35 minute halves

U-15 Girls

Round Robin Games 2 — 20 minute halves

Semi & Final Games 2 — 35 minute halves

U-19 Boys

Round Robin Games 2 — 30 minute halves

Championship Game 2 — 40 minute halves

U-19 Girls

Round Robin Games 2 — 30 minute halves

Championship Game 2 — 40 minute halves

6. START OF THE GAME:

The home team will start the game on the North side of the field and the visitor shall have the tap the first period. The tap and field direction will then alternate each period.

7. SCORING:

3 points for a win 1 point for a tie 1 point for a goal (3 points for goals maximum per game) 1 point for a shutout (0-0 tie is 2 points for each team) 6 points for a forfeit.

-Win is a minimum of 5 points and a maximum of 7 points) -Tie is a minimum of 2 points and a maximum of 4 points) -Loss is a minimum of 0 points and a maximum of 3 points)

8. TIES and TIE BREAKERS:

A. The tie breaker to determine the pool winner shall be as follows:

- Number of Wins
- Head to Head
- Fewest goals allowed
- Best seeded team

B. The tie breaker for games shall be as follows:

- U15 & U19 Round Robin Games – No Tie breaker, game ends in a Tie
- All Semi-Final and Championship Games –
 - Two 10 minute sudden victory (Golden Goal) overtime periods
 - If a tie still exists after the overtime periods, penalty kicks shall determine the game. Each team shall pick any 5 players that participated in the game to take the penalty kicks. All players that participated in the game are eligible, not just those on the field at the end of the overtime period.
 - The teams shall then alternate penalty kicks scoring 1 point for each goal until each team has taken all five of their kicks. The team with the most points shall be the winner.
 - If at the end of the 5 penalty kicks the game is still tied each team shall alternate other players to take penalty kicks one on one until one team scores and the other does not or until 11 players have taken penalty kicks.
 - If all 11 players have taken a penalty shot the team shall continue to rotate through the 11 players one by one in the same order as the first round until a winner is determined.

9. PROTESTS:

There will be no protests allowed in this tournament. The referee rulings are final. This is a common practice during tournaments since the tournament results must be brought to a conclusion in a short time frame that does not allow for protests and appeals.

10. CANCELLED GAMES:

Games may be suspended or cancelled due to weather at the field by the Tournament Director. All games at a venue will be suspended or cancelled at the same time. Game suspensions will be communicated by 3 sharp blasts on an air or car horn. When this is heard all participants will immediately seek shelter in a building or vehicle. The all clear signal for resumption of games shall be 1 long blast of the air or car horn. If the tournament is to be cancelled for the day there will be 2 long blasts of the air or car horn. Cancelled games **may** be rescheduled at the discretion of the Tournament Director and Referee Scheduler, but circumstances may not allow this to happen.

In the case of cancellation of some or the entire Tournament, the Tournament Director will consult with available Bay Lakes Board members in making a decision on how to handle the awarding of tournament championship trophies. This decision is final and is not open to discussion or negotiation.

11. MEDALS AND TROPHIES:

There will be medals provided to the regular season league champions, & runners up at check-in on Saturday.

There will be trophies provided to the tournament champions & runners up on Sunday.

12. PARK RULES:

Pets -There will be **NO PETS** (dogs, cats, etc.) permitted in the park at any time during the tournament. This is a park rule as well as a liability issue. Refusal to abide by this rule will lead to immediate removal from the grounds and banishment from the park for the remainder of the tournament.

Parking - Please park in the 3 parking lots, **DO NOT PARK** in the no parking areas or on the grass. These must be kept open in case of an emergency.