

Coventry Little League Handbook

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Dear Families of Coventry Little League,

Coventry Little League (CLL) located in Pottstown, PA serves approximately 500 boys and girls in the Owen J. Roberts school district. CLL has been chartered as a Little League organization since 1966.

The CLL Board of Directors is committed to providing a quality youth program based on the Little League ethics of Courage, Character, and Loyalty. The league strives to teach the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and respect for authority to the children of our community.

This handbook is intended to provide CLL coaches and parents with helpful information pertaining to your child's experience in CLL including: a description of the league, board structure, divisions and seasons, league calendar, volunteer opportunities and sponsorships.

Thank you for your continued support of Coventry Little League.

Sincerely,

The Coventry Little League Board of Directors

Little League Pledge

I trust in God

I love my country

And will respect its laws

I will play fair

And strive to win

But win or lose

I will always do my best

Description of Coventry Little League (“CLL”)

Coventry Little League was established in 1966 and provides Little League baseball and softball activities to approximately 400 boys ages 5-12, and girls ages 5-18, who reside in the Owen J. Roberts school district. Residents of East Coventry, East Nantmeal, East Vincent, North Coventry, South Coventry, Warwick, and parts of Twin Valley townships are eligible to play in Coventry Little League. CLL accepts all eligible children that want to play baseball ages 4-13, softball ages 6-16 and Challenger players ages 5-22. In 2025, CLL fielded over 45 baseball and softball teams. The majority of games and practices take place on the fields at the Wampler Complex located on South Penn Street in Pottstown, PA.

Coventry Little League is chartered by Little League Baseball, Incorporated. As a member of Little League Baseball, Inc., CLL is provided with support and guidance from Little League headquarters in Williamsport, PA. In accordance with Section 501 (c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, CLL shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization.

PA-District 27 Little League

CLL participates in District 27 Little League, which includes portions of Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties. CLL All-Star teams that play in Little League baseball and softball games are played against other District 27 Little League teams. District 27 is part of the larger Pennsylvania Section 8 Little League, which comprises Districts 19, 21, 22, and 27.

For more information, including postseason All-Star and tournament schedules, please reference the following link. <https://www.padistrict27.com/>

Description of Facilities

Coventry Little League owns four fields at the Wampler Complex located on South Penn Street in Pottstown. During the spring season, the complex is typically open from 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM on weekdays and 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM on Saturdays and Sundays.

Because CLL owns the facility, maintenance and improvements consume a significant part of the budget and the board's time and energy. We need your help throughout the year to keep our fields in top playing condition for the children. Your help is particularly needed at the spring and fall clean-up days to ensure the fields are prepared for the upcoming season and closed down for the winter.

Certain fields owned by Owen J. Roberts School District and local townships may also be available for use by CLL upon request. **Coaches must seek prior approval through CLL to use OJR and township fields.**

The fields at Wampler are heavily utilized during the spring season, with two to three practices or games held on each field every weekday and up to five games played on each field on Saturdays and Sundays.

Below is a brief description of each field and its amenities:

Wampler Field 1 (Baseball – Minors | Softball – Minors, Majors, Junior, Senior | Challenger)

Features: 60-foot diamond, 46-foot pitching, skinned infield, open dugouts, lighting, electronic scoreboard, press box, PA system, bullpens, portable pitching mound, spectator seating along first base and outfield. A newly installed concrete pathway is in place for the 2026 season to improve mobile accessibility to both dugouts and the playing surface. This was made possible through a combination of CLL funds and a generous grant from Little League and Egglan's Best[™]).

Wampler Field 2 (Baseball – Majors, Intermediates)

Features: Convertible infield dimensions – 60-foot diamond x 46-foot pitching distance and 70-foot diamond x 50-foot pitching distance, grass infield, enclosed dugouts, lighting, electronic scoreboard, press box, PA system, bullpens, spectator seating behind right field.

Wampler Field 3 (Baseball – Training | Softball – Training)

Features: 60-foot diamond, skinned infield, exposed dugouts, spectator seating behind center and left field.

Wampler Field 4 (Tee-Ball)

Features: Skinned infield, covered dugouts, spectator seating along first base and third base.



Board of Directors

CLL is run by adult volunteers for the benefit of the youth in the Owen J. Roberts community. It is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to manage the property and day-to-day affairs of CLL based upon the regulations and guidance provided by Little League Baseball.

All Little Leagues are required to hold an annual general membership meeting to elect the board of directors for the ensuing year. After the Board of Directors is elected, the Board will meet to elect officers (“Executive Board”). The Executive Board includes the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Communication Officer, Coach/Player Development Agent and a Complex/Field Supervisor. The Board assumes responsibility for their duties on or about August 1st .

CLL members are welcome to provide input at general membership board meetings.

CLL Board of Directors: August 2025 – August 2026 Term

To contact the league or the board, please direct emails to coventrylittleleague@gmail.com

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/RESPONSIBILITY</u>
Christian Eichhorn	Executive Board President
Kevin Kirby	Vice President
Lisa Yoest	Treasurer
Adam Swavely	Coach & Player Development
Leslie Profitt	Information Officer
Ryan Vermillion	Complex/Field Supervisor
Justin Fritz	Concession Stand
Melissa Law	Tee Ball Division Rep
Dan Murphy	Training Baseball Division Rep
Katie Skrzat	Minors Baseball Division Rep
Shaun Nye	Majors Baseball Division Rep
Greg Willauer	Intermediate Baseball Division Rep

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/RESPONSIBILITY</u>
Heidi Curtis	Softball Division Rep
Leslie Proffitt	Challenger Division Rep
Lisa Yoest	Uniform Coordinator
Melissa Law	Secretary
Jeff Gleason	Umpire & Scheduling Coordinator
Kim Whitticar	Safety Officer
Allison McSherry	Sponsorship & Fundraising
Dan Murphy	Uniforms & Equipment
Ryan Vermillion	River Cat Liaison

League Structure and Divisions

CLL offers both baseball and softball, and divisions are organized based on a player's date of birth. The spring season runs from early April through mid-June (weather permitting). Spring registration begins in mid December and closes in mid February. Team assignments begin with registration and follow the guidelines below based on the players division.

The following date ranges are used to determine which division your child is eligible to play in:

- [League Age Determination - Little League](#)
- [2026 Little League® Age Chart](#)
- [2026 Softball Age Chart](#)
- [2026 Little League® Challenger Age Chart](#)

Note: Parents may request that a player "play up" or "play down". Requests are not guaranteed and are considered on a case-by-case basis by the CLL Board.

CLL firmly believes that each child who wishes to play baseball or softball should be entitled to do so regardless of skill, gender or financial circumstances. Our league will not deny any child a chance to play baseball or softball due to a financial hardship. Please contact us should you need assistance at coventrylittleleague@gmail.com.

Tee-Ball

The Tee-Ball division is for boys and girls ages 4-6. This division provides a foundation and introduction to baseball and softball that is grounded in fundamentals and having fun. This is an instructional division where coaches are out in the field with the children and may stop the game to teach. Players also learn the value of teamwork.

- Scores & standings are not recorded
- No postseason

Baseball-Training (Machine Pitch)

Ages: 6-7 year old boys & girls

Focus:

- Hitting the ball at a faster, more consistent speed.
- Learning game situations.
- Working with teammates to make plays.
- Coach uses pitching machine.

Additional details:

- Field is slightly larger

- Ball travels 38-40 mph (speed will increase incrementally through the season)
- Learn rules of the game
- Game situations are introduced
- Includes postseason tournament
- Final game scores are recorded
- No base stealing, players may advance one base at a time unless ball is hit to the outfield

Softball-Training (Machine Pitch)

Ages: 6-8 year old girls

Focus:

- Hitting the ball at a faster, more consistent speed.
- Learning game situations.
- Working with teammates to make plays.
- Coach uses pitching machine.

Additional Details:

- Ball generally travels 30-33 mph (speed will increase incrementally through the season)
- Learn rules of the game
- Game situations are introduced
- Includes postseason tournament
- Final game scores are recorded
- No base stealing, players may advance one base at a time unless ball is hit to the outfield

Baseball-Minors

Ages: 8-9 year old boys and girls

Focus:

- Players are introduced to game strategy, pitching and catching positions
- Players learn to hit a pitched baseball in a less intimidating environment
- Rapid growth in skills due to increased arm strength and hand/eye coordination.

Additional details:

- Base stealing allowed
- Includes postseason tournament
- Players can play in catcher or pitcher positions for first time
- Players will pitch and after the 4th ball, the Coach will pitch until the ball is hit or the player strikes out.

- Walks are not awarded in this division unless agreed upon by the coaches at the start of the game.
- Teams are created through a player draft organized through the division representative
- Pitch counts, game scores, and standings are kept.
- CLL teams may compete against other District 27 Little League softball teams during the spring season

Softball - Minors

Ages: 8-10 year old girls

Focus:

- Players are introduced to game strategy, pitching and catching positions
- Players learn to hit a pitched softball in a less intimidating environment
- Rapid growth in skills due to increased arm strength and hand/eye coordination.

Additional details:

- Base stealing allowed
- Includes postseason tournament
- Players can play in catcher or pitcher positions for first time
- Players will pitch and after the 4th ball, the Coach will pitch until the ball is hit or the player strikes out.
- Walks are not awarded in this division unless agreed upon by the coaches at the start of the game.
- Teams are created through a player draft organized through the division representative
- Game scores and standings are kept
- CLL teams may compete against other District 27 Little League softball teams during the spring season

Baseball-Majors

Ages: 10-12 year old boys and girls

Focus:

- Competitive middle-aged division of players that promotes stronger pitching and a higher level of baseball knowledge and execution
- Game situation and baseball strategy are emphasized
- Continued development of hitting, fielding, catching and throwing skills
- Players' skills develop into cohesive members of a team

Additional details:

- Includes postseason tournament
- Teams are created through a player draft organized through the division representative

Softball Majors

Ages: 10-12 year old girls

Focus:

- Players should exhibit strong fundamentals of the game
- This level involves advanced competitive play, focusing on game situations and softball strategy
- Continued development of hitting, fielding, catching and throwing skills
- Players will develop into cohesive members of a team

Additional Details:

- Includes postseason tournament
- Teams are created through a player draft organized through the division representative

Baseball - Intermediate

Ages: 11-13 year old boys

Focus:

- Advanced players in a competitive structure

Additional Details:

- 50/70 division (50 ft pitching distance and 70 ft base paths)
- Teams are created through a player draft organized through the division representative. All 13 year olds will be drafted into Intermediates; advanced 12-year-old players will be considered as space allows.
- **This division is limited to 4 teams (44 players)**
- Any player not drafted to Intermediate due to space limitations will then play in the Major Baseball division

Softball Senior

Ages: 13-16 year old girls

Focus:

- Older players who wish to continue playing softball for CLL

Additional Details:

- 60-ft diamond with 43-ft pitching distance

Challenger Division

The Challenger Division was established in 1989 as a division of Little League to provide boys and girls with special needs the opportunity to enjoy the game of baseball alongside millions of other players worldwide.

Coventry Little League now offers **two Challenger teams** to better serve our players:

- **Junior Challenger:** Ages **4–14**
- **Senior Challenger:** Ages **15 and up** (no upper age limit)

This structure allows players to participate at a level appropriate to their age and abilities while continuing to enjoy a fun, supportive baseball experience.

Equipment

Uniforms

All players will receive as their uniform kit a hat/visor, jersey, belt and socks. Families are expected to purchase white baseball pants/black softball pants for their player(s).

All players are expected to have an appropriately sized glove, bat and helmet for their ability level with them at every practice and game. CLL partners with Dick's Sporting Goods for one week each spring and fall to provide families with a 20% off coupon to purchase new equipment.

If getting the proper equipment for your child creates a financial hardship for your family, please email the league so we can help get your child equipped for the season.

Bat Regulations

Little League International has assembled an online resource page dedicated to baseball bat information. Please [click Here](#) for details on what bats are legal for use in Little League baseball. Softball bat regulations can be found [here](#).

Recommended Equipment for Players

BASEBALL	SOFTBALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Glove● Batting helmet● Bat	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Glove● Batting helmet● Bat
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Cleats (plastic or molded rubber in Majors Div & below)● Protective cup for boys (required for pitchers and catchers)● Batting gloves (optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Cleats (plastic or molded rubber only Majors Div & below)● Fielding Facemask● Batting gloves (optional)● Bat bag (optional)● Water bottle

BASEBALL	SOFTBALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bat bag (optional) ● Water bottle 	

****Baseballs/softballs will be provided by the league and/or coaches for games and practices.****

Manager and Coach Selection

Managing a team and coaching Little League players is a very rewarding experience that comes with a great deal of trust and responsibility. Managers and coaches help to shape both the physical and mental/emotional development of young players. Managers and coaches are leaders, whose patience and ability to work with children is equally important to their knowledge of the game of baseball.

In order to make this a positive experience for players and coaches alike, all prospective managers and assistant coaches must:

- 1) Complete an online volunteer application through the CLL website during the spring/fall online player registration.
- 2) Fill out and submit a national background check application and complete Pennsylvania background check requirements for volunteers who work with minors.
- 3) Provide the President (to be shared with the board) with a coaching background and philosophy.
- 4) The President shall nominate candidates that the/she feels are worthy of consideration based on above criteria.
- 5) The Board of Directors will review the applications and make manager selections for each division.
- 6) Once you receive your team information, the manager should choose a primary assistant coach prior to the player evaluation session for that division.
- 7) Any adult volunteers that would like to assistant coach or help with practices **MUST** also fill out a background check and receive approval by the league before any contact with the players.

*****Past coaching experience, ability to work with children and a proven track record of representing Coventry Little League in a positive manner are important criteria in selecting managers and coaches.*****

GameChanger

CLL uses a free app called GameChanger to organize teams, record game scores, post game/practice schedules and allows group messaging. It is an essential part of communicating with your child's coach. **We highly recommend you download this app** to stay in touch with your team. You can find GameChanger on Apple's App Store or Android's GooglePlay.



The Little League International Tournament (“All-Stars”)

At the end of the regular spring season, CLL organizes and sponsors multiple postseason All-Star teams to participate in both Little League International and PA District 27 tournament play.

The Board of Directors determines the number of teams and the age groups/ divisions CLL will sponsor based on player & coach interest, league budget and the tournament schedule. Regular season players are not required to participate.

Tournament participation requires a commitment from both parents and players.

Player & Family Requirements

1. Families must provide proof of residency and a copy of player's birth certificate
2. Boys ages 6-12 and girls 6-16 may participate
3. \$50/player fee for tournaments and All-Star uniform
4. Additional volunteer hours to host one or more All-Star games at home complex **(mandatory)**. Includes official scorekeeper, announcer, concession stand, etc.
5. Per Little League eligibility requirements, the child must have played in at least 8 regular season baseball/softball games

Evaluations typically occur in late April/early May with practices beginning in mid/late June, and games and practices continuing through the end of July, depending on tournament dates. Team selections will be announced after May 15th.

CLL Selection Criteria:

- Evaluation based on 1 or 2 tryout sessions
- Input by regular season CLL Managers
- Regular season performance including attitude, commitment, & teamwork
- Player availability and commitment to attend all practices and games

The Selection Process

*Parents and players will be notified of All-Star evaluation dates and times by their managers and the league. **Please note that player participation in the All-Star evaluations does not guarantee All-Star selection.** Each team cannot exceed 14 players, 1 manager and 2 assistant coaches.*

- 1) All CLL players are invited to participate in All-Star evaluations for their appropriate age group.
- 2) Tryouts are conducted by the relevant Division Representative, Player Agent and Coaching Coordinator.
- 3) Division Managers will attend tryouts and complete a standard evaluation sheet for each player using a number rating system.
- 5) After tryouts, the managers in each division will meet with a board member(s) and select the All-Star team(s) from the top 20/25 ranked players based on the All-Star evaluations and the criteria described above.
- 6) Based on the interest the President shall nominate potential manager candidates to the board. The board will vote if necessary. The Manager will then select their assistant coaches.

Keep in Mind...

- The All-Star Tournament requires multiple practices a week and possibly multiple games per week until your child's team is eliminated
- As your team advances, the travel distance for games may also increase
- Batting rosters for this tournament are registered with Little League once the team is formed. **Please take this into consideration if you plan to be out of town during this time.** It is very difficult to register a replacement on the roster!
- This is an international tournament that begins at the district level. If your child's team continues to win, you will continue to play until you reach the championship, which can occur as late as the end of July.

Fall Ball

Coventry Little League offers fall baseball and softball programs for all boys ages 5-12 and girls ages 5- 14. **Fall participation is based on the division the player will participate in the following spring.**

There is a very strong emphasis on player development during the fall program. The fall program encourages players to continue developing the basic skills, increase their knowledge of the game, and experiment with something new (i.e., fielding positions, pitching, hitting techniques). Players moving up to new divisions in the spring are strongly encouraged to

participate in fall ball as this provides a great opportunity to get assimilated to new playing rules, field dimensions, and pitching modes. Fall ball operates in a relaxed environment that enables players to develop their skills on an individual basis.

Fall registration begins in mid-July and closes in mid-August. The fall season begins in early September and runs through the end of October.

Team assignments are determined by the CLL Board with the intention of fielding equally competitive teams. Softball teams may play a travel schedule against other local District 27 travel teams, as they do in the spring season. Fall ball games are typically held on Sundays with one practice during the week.

River Cats: CLL's Travel Baseball and Softball Program

The Coventry River Cats program has been established to enhance the player experience at CLL and provide additional development. River Cats is a separate and independent organization from Coventry Little League. Participation in this program is distinct from all activities at CLL. No use of CLL funds will be used to support the program. Coaches and players must fully support their financial needs for all team expenses.

The activities of the River Cats program will in no way inhibit or subvert the activities of CLL while in-season. In other words, the activities of CLL (practices, games, tournaments, and special events) all have primary priority for participation and attendance, with no exception. Participation in the River Cats program (whether to manage, coach or play) does not improve or reduce your participation in CLL activities, including All-Star tournament selection.

All players who participate on a travel River Cats baseball or softball team MUST register and play the spring season at CLL. Families who choose not to participate will have their child removed from the River Cats roster at the start of the regular spring season.

These are competitive travel teams that look to play in the fall, spring and summer. Additionally, most do indoor winter workouts in January and February. There are financial and fundraising commitments that come with these teams. The amount of time and money does vary for each team individually.

The number of teams are based on coach and player interest. The last couple of years we have fielded two teams at multiple age groups.

River Cats plans to provide as many teams as necessary to accommodate the interest of our families.

You may contact the Coventry River Cats organization for more information at CoventryRiverCats@gmail.com.

Inclement Weather Policy

Given the high demand for field time, the CLL Board and all managers will make every effort to hold practices and games as scheduled. There will be times, however, when inclement weather causes the cancellation and/or rescheduling of events. The CLL Board may determine it necessary to close the Wampler complex or certain fields within the complex due to inclement weather and will post the closure notice on the CLL website and/or social media as soon as possible in advance of the scheduled event(s) (usually by 4:00PM on weekdays). **We recommend you follow Coventry Little League on Facebook and ensure your email address is correct in the SportsConnect registration system to receive the most timely updates possible.**

Manager(s) are responsible for contacting their team to inform them of a cancellation through GameChanger. Parents should also check the CLL website periodically for the most up-to-date information.

Lightning Policy

Any lightning flash or thunder noted in the area prior to or during play will result in the stoppage of play. Adults must immediately clear the field of all players. Everyone should seek shelter in a substantial building or hard-topped vehicle. Coaches and umpires have the option of either continuing the game if lightning is not seen or thunder heard for at least 30 minutes, or canceling the game. [Little League Lightning Safety Guidelines](#)

League Calendar

As a member of Little League Baseball, Coventry Little League is subject to the key dates and deadlines established by Little League Baseball. The calendar below is intended to provide a summary of the dates of key events held by Coventry Little League throughout a typical year. Please note that the calendar is subject to change without notice due to changes by Little League Baseball, District 27, inclement weather, or unforeseen events. Please visit the CLL website for an updated event calendar.

Events below are relevant for all baseball and softball divisions unless indicated.

<p style="text-align: center;">JANUARY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spring coaching application deadline ● Spring coach selection 	<p style="text-align: center;">FEBRUARY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spring registration deadline ● Player skills evaluations ● Spring team selections ● Coaches contact team members ● Coaches clinic 	<p style="text-align: center;">MARCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spring CleanUp Day ● Mandatory coaches meeting ● Spring schedule distributed ● Equipment distribution ● Spring practices begin
<p style="text-align: center;">APRIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uniforms distributed ● Opening Day Ceremony 	<p style="text-align: center;">MAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Picture Day ● All-Stars Tryouts ● Designer Bag Bingo fundraiser ● All-Star player & coach selections; tournament dates announced; practices begin 	<p style="text-align: center;">JUNE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regular season ends ● All-Star games begin ● Home Run Derby ● Equipment returned
<p style="text-align: center;">JULY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All-Star Tournament ends ● Fall registration opens ● Election of Board of Directors 	<p style="text-align: center;">AUGUST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fall registration ends ● Fall coach & play selections ● Fall schedule distributed 	<p style="text-align: center;">SEPTEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fall season begins
<p style="text-align: center;">OCTOBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fall Ball ends 	<p style="text-align: center;">NOVEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fall CleanUp Day ● Equipment returned 	<p style="text-align: center;">DECEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spring registration opens

Volunteer Policy and Opportunities

Volunteers are the driving force behind CLL and parents are strongly encouraged to become involved. CLL believes your support and involvement enrich your child's baseball/softball experience. CLL strives to provide the best experience for your child by finding and training the best volunteer coaches, field and facility improvement projects and management of the Little League experience.

This volunteer policy ensures families have the opportunity to provide assistance to the league based on your interests and skills, and to ensure the burden of operating the league does not fall on a limited number of volunteers. **Volunteering is EASY!**

Fundraisers

CLL hosts 2 main fundraisers during the spring season to help support the league.

Designer Bag Bingo

This is the largest fundraiser of the year! Designer purses, raffle baskets and other prizes are raffled off in support of our league. Helping with this committee counts toward volunteer hours.

50/50 Raffle Tickets

When you registered for the spring season, a set of 10 raffle tickets per family were included with your total fee. You may sell these tickets for \$10 each OR you may enter to win the prize for your family. The winning ticket will be drawn on Championship Weekend at the end of the season.

2026 Sponsors

Sponsor donations help to defray the annual costs of running the CLL program by assisting to raise the funds needed to provide baseballs, softballs, uniforms, equipment, insurance, field maintenance and much needed capital improvements. Coventry Little League appreciates all its Sponsors, and invites all players and families to support our local businesses. All donations are tax deductible.

Please support our sponsors! For a complete list of sponsors, please visit the [Coventry Little League website](#).

Frequently Asked Questions

Are there tryouts to join CLL's teams in the spring or fall seasons?

No, there are no tryouts for our rec leagues; however, All-Star teams and River Cats teams do have tryouts. You will be notified when evaluations are if your child would like to participate.

I have more than one child - can they play on the same team?

Possibly. If they are close in age and ability level, the league could place siblings on the same team, based on input from the Board and the team manager.

What do the registration fees go toward?

As a 501(c)3, Coventry Little League does not profit from registration fees. Those funds cover the cost of uniforms, umpires, complex maintenance and utility bills, and upgrades to the facility. Please note that coaches, assistant coaches and all board members are volunteers - there are no paid positions within the league.

Am I required to volunteer as a parent?

Coventry Little League operates as a volunteer organization - if no one volunteers, it doesn't happen! Each family is asked to contribute a minimum amount of volunteer hours or they may forfeit their bond check at the end of the season. It is up to each family how they would like to fulfill that request. Please review our volunteer policy for more details.

What is Opening Day and why should we be there?

Opening Day is a big deal at CLL! We celebrate the successes of the previous season, look forward to the upcoming spring season, and honor our players and their families. While it is not a requirement to attend, we strongly encourage families to participate to build relationships and new friendships.

Does each player play every game?

One of the goals of your child's coach is for each player to grow in their skills, and participating in games is crucial to their development. CLL strives to balance team numbers in each division so each child gets ample game time throughout the season. That said, player positions and batting order is contingent on the game situation and the discretion of the coach. Playing time may vary from game to game with equal time achieved per player by the end of the season.

Can my child “play up” on a higher-level division than his current age group?

Yes but this decision would involve discussion with the CLL Board of Directors, the child’s family and the team manager. The ultimate goal is for your child to be placed in the level most appropriate for his/her development as a baseball/softball player.

Who should I contact at the League if I have questions?

- 1) Coach
- 2) Division Rep
- 3) League email

Will individual teams have to fundraise?

No, the league hosts 2 fundraisers during the spring that benefits all players within the league.

How long are practices?

Tee-ball and Training levels are usually 60 minutes long. Minors division and above are usually 60-90 minutes, depending on the time of year.

How long are games?

Typically games last a maximum of two hours or 6 innings. This does not apply to tee-ball.

Do I have to travel for games?

Minors division and above will have inter-league play with minimal travel. Training and tee-ball divisions usually do not travel. Coventry River Cats and CLL All-Star teams will travel for their games if not playing at the Wampler Complex.

My child has never played baseball/softball? Can he/she still play in your league?

Absolutely! Our coaches will work with your child to build their skills throughout the season.

Can I bring our dog to cheer on our child?

No. For the safety and comfort of our fans, pets are not permitted at the Wampler Complex.

