

Recreation Commission Youth Organizations (2024 edition)

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President Treasurer Key Board Members	Jim Tantillo (Pres) Dave Iacobucci (Treasurer) Heather Galotto (Secretary) Rich Smith (League VP) Gerard McGann (webmaster / data control) Mark Lindahl (coordinator) Nick Boudreau (concessions) Keith Holland (coordinator) Erica Salois (social media and SB coordinator)	JJ Martorelli (League VP – President SB) (other officers are same as Baseball)
Segregation of Duties	Folks listed account for 95% of all duties.	
Stipend Mailing Address	PO Box 41, 06075	PO Box 41, 06075
Primary playing season	April thru June July for All Stars, limited summer program Established Fall Program September-October	April thru June July for All Stars & Fall Ball Sept-Oct. No Summer Softball, Established Fall Program
# participants & gender	~ 198 kids, mostly boys ages 8-15 and mixed boys/girls in Tball and grapefruit (176+22) Baseball continues to decline in numbers. Some build up mid level. It remains highest in tball, then steady decline through high school	~124 girls LL prohibits boys from playing softball. They offer boys SB as an alternative if interest dictates (92+32) Softball numbers have risen or stayed flat 2020-2024- the healthiest part of little league overall
Age ranges	4-16 (ages 4-7 includes girls)	6-16 1 st grade through 11 th grade
Location of games	Kealy Field, Jr/ Sr at Arute Field at SHS	Hyde Park, Kealy Field
Location of practices	Kealy field, West Stafford, & Kealy batting cages	Hyde Park, Kealy batting cages, SES, SMS
Registration fees	\$120 majors, \$110 minors \$130 -Jr; \$65 Tball,Gfruit; \$85 Mn/ Fall / \$85 Mn/ Fall, \$85 jr fall We are lowest in the area towns. Mansfield posted lower reg fees, but sourced the uniforms to parents. Tolland, Ellington, Vernon and Somers were higher	\$65 rookies / \$120 mj, mn/ \$110 jr&sr - \$120 Fall Ball minors / mjrs - \$85 Rookies \$65
Nature of expenses	LL Charter \$4800 (Insurance, LL affiliation) Equipment & balls +\$6,000) Fall - \$1,000 Uniforms - \$5,000 / Fall- \$2,000 First Aid; Tournament & Fall programs \$1,500 UMPIRES - \$70 /game (\$840 for 12 game season); \$35 (if we get Jr. umpire) Other varying amounts: Concession supplies on reg season. Off season heat (propane) in cage building – sometimes donated fill ups but Heaters are serviced every 2 years (just completed)	Same with exceptions for umpires at \$85 / game and balls are \$65 /doz – baseball \$50
Affiliations	Little League International, District 12 – some seasonal play in D8, Juniors play season vs D8, Allstar in D12.	Little League International, District 12 with seasonal play in D8 and D12.
# volunteers for background check	15 actual during season. Most of the number is made up of coaches per team - only a few (4/5) of the 15 handling multiple tasks – fund raising, game scheduling, equipment, uniforms, LL admin, etc. the number can reach as high as 60 when considering who gets batting cage use	+/- 12, most are coaching / asst coach – we are missing some admin help and SB specific help for Hyde. Its typically around 3 people for pre-season prep and scheduling
Risk management	Comprehensive safety plan through LL. Background checks administered by LL International; Safety Officer intro hands only CPR & AED training, first aid training; video surveillance in/on batting cage building. Coach guideline communication; bathroom escort policy, 2 adult policy In 2024, mandatory Sexual Abuse training for coaches, to be completed and submitted to league. As of 2024, LL volunteers are mandated reports for signs of abuse. Hotline and process for alerts are communicated	same
Fund Raising	Outfield Banners, Team sponsorships, Bingo, Golf Tournament	Outfield Banners, Team sponsorships, Bingo, Golf Tournament
Sponsorships	General donations, Team sponsorship, Outfield board,	General donations, Team sponsorship, Hyde Park banners
Challenges	Player Participation – Need to get more kids playing! volunteer participation (e.g. board spots, food booth), umpiring costs & availability FUND RAISING. Lighting - Parking Lots & concourse get dark early spring/fall Handicap accessibility – Each year we get more questions from people trying to access fields with walkers/wheelchairs	Player Participation – Need to get more but SB doing well numbers wise volunteer participation (e.g. board spots, food booth), umpiring costs & availability FUND RAISING. Field use at schools has come up. More tournament style activities for girls which brings the need for overflow fields, with specs which creates the need.

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Offseason activities	Fall baseball Sept - Nov; winter/spring strength / skills clinics. Great partnerships with UCONN club baseball, alumni and Corkum. Summer camp with corkum is still popular.	Fall offered; winter / spring clinics and strength / skills clinics. Great partnership with UCONN club SB. 2024 had 2 alumni come in to help girls as well
Equipment Suppliers	Bid process in February including Bluewave, Noveltees, Easton & BSN. Some amazon. Since pandemic, Epic sports.com as the most economical	same
Online Registration? Online Payment?	Yes, to both. Self-managed through sportsconnect StaffordctLittleLeague.com also includes online "store" and link to LL International. Also, historically a link from StaffordSports.org	same
Scholarship / Reduced Fee Policy	Yes - We always offer to work with anyone in financial difficulty from pay plans through full scholarship. We also offer installments as a pay plan option 2024 – highest number of hardship cases we have ever had – went from a few league wide to about 3-4 each team above tball	Lower then baseball, approx. 10 through SB
Code of Conduct	Yes. Players, Coaches & Parents. Revamped in 2018. Separate code for cage facility. All Volunteers background Checked (kid/facility access)	Yes. Players & Coaches & Parents. Revamped in 2018. Separate code for cages. All Volunteers Background Checked (kid/facility access)
Apparel	None since 2020. - sent out Squad Locker from HS. Plans to create a league store through Noveltees (uniform vendor) but have not materialized. Limited use for baseball, some for SB	

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President Treasurer Key Board Members	President Jon Martorelli V. President Michael Krah Secretary Melissa Agosto Treasurer Dori Wilson	David Bachiochi, President, Registrar, Referee Assignor David Blais, Coach, Assistant Registrar David Buchanan, Treasurer Mike Richards, Travel Aaron Eberhard, Recreation				
Financial Segregation of Duties	Bylaws from affiliated league CTYFL; SOD not identified	Bachiochi sets budget and authorizes payment. Buchanan writes checks. Nearly all monetary revenue via SportsConnect.				
Stipend Mailing Address	PO Box 366, 06076	350 Monson Rd now; PO Box 432, 06076 eliminated 11/23;				
Primary Playing season	Fall Preseason August 1 thru Thanksgiving	Late August thru early November				
# participants & gender	110 includes football players and cheer team Include players from Stafford, Somers, Willington, CT and Monson, Hampden, Wales, Holland, MA	# Girls	40+39+24=103	# Rec	111	
		# Boys	57+50=107	# Club Travel	75+24=99	
		Total	210	# Club teams	7	
Age ranges	4-5 flag, 6-13 but not in high school	Ages 3-14, + HS summer league (24)				
Location of games	Olympic field (some improvements for 2018)	Stafford High and Stafford Middle				
Location of practices	Olympic field excluding game day playing surface (surrounding fence is burdensome)	Stafford High and Stafford Middle				
Registration fees	\$125/kid \$75/kid for flag	Recreation, Mini/Micro \$35; Intramural \$35. Club Travel, \$70 + multiyear uniform kit				
Nature of expenses	Equipment (~\$400/kid); helmet reconditioning Referees (\$990/home day = 4 games) \$5,000 insurance; \$4,700 league dues; \$900 building insurance; Food Booth equipment \$5,000	CJSA Affiliation fees (including background check), Referee fees, CJSA NE District League fees, T-shirts for Recreation, #1 ball for Micros, Equipment, Trophies				
Affiliations	CTYFL starting fall 2024, previously Pop Warner in 2023 and NCFL, 14 teams, for many years prior.	Connecticut Junior Soccer Association & United States Youth Soccer Association				
# volunteers for background check	25-30	23				
Risk management	NCFL site for Background checks - fee included in league dues; covers football and cheer activities Coaching Certifications; Concussion training; Sexual abuse awareness training	CJSA Background Checks (\$5); 2-year expiry SafeSport certification for concussion, Sexual Abuse & Harassment Awareness annually; NHFS lightning guidelines; Mandated Reporter status ALL volunteers				
Fund Raising	Cheesecake, Food Booth, Raffles	Varies. Photographer, Summer Camp, Merchandise sale, all minimal and not all each year.				
Sponsorships	Signs for sponsors; Platinum sponsors; Ad in program; Donations	None				
Challenges	Money – fully used equipment in 2013 \$400/kid in gear Reconditioning helmets annually largest expense	Keeping fees low and collecting all fees; Quality coaching; Registration logistics; Quality referees; Recruiting Volunteers				
Offseason activities	NONE, and no drama or tolerance for parent misbehavior including on social media	Winter Indoor Jan-Mar @ SHS gym Spring Club Travel NED (4-5 teams) + Micros/Minis Summer HS usually girls, late June - early Aug				
Equipment Suppliers	Stadium Systems (used by SHS) especially for helmets with concussion protection technology	Soccer & Beyond; Dick's discounts, Soccer.com goal club, Discount Trophy				
Online Registration? Online Payment?	Mandatory. Yes.	Yes, 100% register online via SportsConnect Yes, 100% pay online; no cash transactions				
Scholarship / Reduced Fee Policy	Some modest payment plans upon request. max family fee. Need to draft a policy. ~\$900 scholarship fund	About 4% on scholarship; Fee reduced to \$20 travel or \$10 recreation upon request; not widely publicized. Covers CJSA fee outlay.				
Code of Conduct	Players, Parents and Coaches sign code of conduct as well as a social media policy	Documented in CJSA Northeast District Rules of Competition for travel team coaches. Added Parent code of conduct in 2015; adding explicit parent code of conduct in 2025 registration				
Apparel	KandG Apparel	Yes, Soccer and Beyond, for families that purchase uniforms				

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President Treasurer Key Board Members	Corey Bennett as of 2022-23 season	SHS coach Rich Ives Tracy & Eric Bartholomew Matt Vail, Greg Martel Staffordyouthwrestling@gmail.com
Financial Segregation of Duties		Eric & Tracy manage the checkbook and collections. Detailed records and documentation kept.
Stipend Mailing Address	117 Chestnut Hill Rd, 06076	33 Pinecrest Drive, Willington, 06279
Primary Playing season	Winter late November thru early March	Winter
# participants & gender	184 recreation and travel (50 girls); nn rec teams, n travel teams (n boys, n girls) includes a few players from Union	30 (open to boys and girls)
Age ranges	Ages 5-14 (added kindergarten in fall 2023)	kindergarten-8th grade
Location of games	Stafford Middle School, West Stafford School, Stafford Elementary School	Stafford High wrestling room
Location of practices	Stafford Middle, Stafford Elementary & West Stafford Schools	Stafford High wrestling room ♦ Monday, Wednesday, Thursday practices (5:30-6:45 or 6:45-8 depending on experience/age level)
Registration fees	\$80 rec, \$50 for 5-6-year-olds, \$175 travel (up \$25 but includes personalized warm up jersey) About 50% online registration	♦ tournaments optional on Sundays beginning in January (typically \$20 to register) ♦ club fees - \$50 (includes tee and shorts) ♦ additional fees \$65 paid directly to USA wrestling for membership
Nature of expenses	Custodial fees \$8,500 Uniforms; Referees \$90/game; end of season awards; basketballs, first aid kits, ice packs, pinnies, storage amounts to about \$7,000-\$9,000 annually	Shirts & Shorts, team photos, banquet
Affiliations	NCCTBL fee per team is approx \$170.00 per team, we have 3 boys teams and 2 girls teams this year. NEED MORE cover Transition to Pop Warner in 202?	USA wrestling
# volunteers for background check	30	4
Risk management	Background checks (\$8 each) Environmental blood borne pathogen training	through USA wrestling background checks, safe sport training online, coaches certification training.
Fund Raising	Raffles, Business Sponsorships @\$150 / team, several donors affiliated with players	Raffles
Sponsorships	Only as listed above	
Challenges	Consistent staff of trained youth coaches. Consistent turnout for girls travel teams;	could use more coaches, wrestling mat in the high school needs to be replaced
Offseason activities	Preseason 3-week basketball camp at SMS plus casual summer pick up	none. No access to wrestling room, haven't asked for permission since before 2020
Equipment Suppliers	Scotts Sports, Dicks Sporting Goods, Dinn Trophy	novel Tees, AJG Photography
Online Registration? Online Payment?	Yes, Registration online now with TeamSnap Yes, Payment online	
Scholarship / Reduced Fee Policy	Hot lunch recipients were allowed free or reduced fees. Maximum family cost for kids in travel program is two kids.	
Code of Conduct		have rules for parents and participants we go over the first day and require everyone to sign
Apparel		we have shirts and sweat shirts parents can order when we place the team clothing order