



2026 Parent Handbook

**This handbook describes the functioning of Lobo Little League.
Information that is included affects you and your child's participation in Lobo Little League**

Your efforts in helping this league become among the best in Albuquerque is greatly appreciated!

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**Honor the Game by respecting the ROOTS.
(Rules, Opponents, Officials, Teammates, Self)**

LOBO LITTLE LEAGUE HISTORY
District 5 – Albuquerque, New Mexico
Chartered with Little League Baseball, Inc., Williamsport, Pennsylvania

Lobo Little League was established in 1966 when Gill Sanchez’s son decided he wanted to play baseball.

Gill found some available space at Gilbert Sanchez Park on Bryn Mawr just south of Menaul, behind what used to be the Garcia Motors building. In 1967, Lobo was chartered with Little League Incorporated with one Majors team and One Field. By the early 80’s Lobo had added 2 more fields and is still nestled in its original location.

Lobo Little League has always been about community, family, friendly competition and relationships that last a lifetime and teaching our children not only the fundamentals of playing baseball by providing a healthy environment for the youth of our community to play ball, meet new friends and build self-confidence and self-esteem. Our focus is to encourage participation, develop character and discipline, promote teamwork, and advocate citizenship and community pride. We strive to provide quality instruction in the development of baseball skills, sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, competitiveness, and fair play. Lobo Little League is committed to enriching the lives of our youth and fostering a love of the game.

Lobo little league is also home to Challenger baseball in Albuquerque. This is a special baseball program for children with all forms of physical and mental disabilities. We at Lobo are very proud to be home to these incredible children with unique abilities and you can come and support them each week as they play on our “Challenger Field” each Saturday at 11:30am.

It is the people who make Lobo Little League a success. The volunteer help of the parents and others who are interested in our program is essential. The countless hours that are unselfishly given by these volunteers go a long way toward making our boys and girls into outstanding young citizens.

2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President:	Ramon Trujillo	Lobo.little.league.nm@gmail.com	(505)400-4954
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RULES OF CONDUCT

The board of Directors has the following goals for the season:

1. Creating a safe and caring place for all players to learn, practice and play the game of baseball.
2. Promoting good sportsmanship among all players, coaches, parents and spectators.
3. Allowing each player, a fair opportunity to play the game.
4. Making the game active and fun for all players.
5. Promoting respect and support for all players, umpires, managers, coaches, board members, volunteers and community.

RAIN OUT POLICY

Fields will be evaluated prior to play and in the event of severe weather (rain, wind, etc) the Field Monitor will send an email to all the team managers so that we can let you know as soon as possible of cancellation. The safety of the players as well as the proper preservation of the fields will be considered.

FIELD MAINTENANCE

Field maintenance is a huge responsibility, and it is important that we maintain a safe, clean park for everyone. To do this, we need help from everyone in picking up trash and conducting general field maintenance before and after games. For all inter-league games, teams will follow the district policy. When two Lobo teams are playing each other, the following rules will be enforced:

HOME TEAM:

- Is responsible for the preparation of the playing field before the start of each game; including wetting down the field, lining the field, preparing the mound and batting areas.
- Providing Home Plate Umpire and official Score Keeper.
- Putting up the flag.

VISITING TEAM

- Provide Base Umpire
- Empty dugout and bleacher trash cans after every game, whether the trash can is full or not.
- Close the field after the game, preparing the mound
- Folding and storing the flag

*******In situations where there is game immediately following, Visitors should assist the next home team in making sure the field is ready for the next game.***

BOTH TEAMS:

- The dugouts and your bleacher area must be left clean after each game.
- Do not allow your fielders to dig holes in the field for any reason.
- All equipment such as bases, rakes, brooms, and drags must be placed in the proper storage area. No equipment will be moved from one field to another. If a field is missing a piece of equipment, notify the Field Monitor – never take anything from another field. Never allow anyone to climb on or jump over a fence.
- Make certain your team abides by safety rules and wears appropriate protective equipment always during the game.
- Do not expect to use the field for unscheduled practices without first checking with the League. Scheduled field maintenance has priority over any unscheduled practice requests.

LOCAL LEAGUE RULES

**Except as amended by these local Rules, the official Playing Rules shall govern all games:*

- A. **ALL DIVISIONS** must comply with the following rules:
- Roster Batting:** Each player at a game shall bat one time before any player bats two times, two times before three etc., regardless of whether that player is in the game defensively or on the bench.
 - Free Substitutions:** Team can freely substitute players in defensive positions; and into and out of the game except for the position of pitcher (see pitching rules)
 - Minimum Defensive Play:** Each Player must play two (2) out of three (3) defensive innings [Note: a player can play every inning if other players meet this minimum]. For all divisions above "Rookie" all players shall play 1 infield inning per game unless permitted by parent and subject to game play. " **Subject to game play**" explained as: **if a game runs out of time before the end of the second inning the coach will not be held responsible for the players who were left on the bench. However, it is recommended that those players be started in the next possible game play situation.**
 - Two adult base coaches are permitted. A youth base coach may substitute but must wear a helmet.
- B. **Minors, Majors & Intermediate Teams** must comply with the following rules:
- Five - Eight Run Rule:** A half-inning will end, and the teams will exchange the field after three outs or upon the 5th run being scored during innings one through four. The "five run" rule shall end after the fourth inning. Divisions Majors, Intermediate, and Juniors will observe an 8 run rule.
 - Score Books:** Incorrect or unsigned Official Score books and pitching Affidavit will result in forfeiture for that game for the Team that does not sign.
 - Draft Policy-** All players in divisions Minors, Majors, Intermediate, and Juniors are required to attend try-outs and be drafted to a team. No player will be guaranteed to be placed on any specific team. All team managers are required to attend the draft for their division. The draft will be overseen by the league player agent and Vice President. The draft will be a serpentine format with draft order drawn from a hat by league players agent. Only players that are present at tryouts will be eligible for the draft. All players not present at tryouts will have their names placed in a hat and managers will choose names out of the hat in draft order after all other eligible players are drafted.
- C. **Rookie (Machine Pitch)** teams must comply with the following rules:
- District 5 has voted to return to machine pitch for the rookie division. Pitching machine shall be set to 40mph.
 - Five Run Rule:** A half-inning will end and the teams will exchange the field after three outs or upon the fifth run being scored during innings one through five. The "five run" rule shall end after the fifth inning.
 - One base on overthrow:** The runner may attempt the next base on an overthrow at their own risk. Only one overthrow will be allowed per play. End of play will be determined by Umpire.
 - Through the first Two (2) weeks of games**, one defensive coach is permitted on the field to direct the defensive team with positioning. The coach shall not "coach" while the ball is in play.
 - Stealing Bases are NOT permitted.** Runners can leave their bases as soon as the pitched ball is in play

All-star selection

Every division above Rookie will compete in All-star competition each year. All-star tournaments are held in June and July every summer and the hosting leagues are appointed by the district. All-star coaches are chosen by the Lobo board of directors by a vote each season. All-star players are nominated by their regular season coaches and the coaches from other teams and final rosters are voted upon by the Lobo board.

To provide eligible players the opportunity to participate in postseason tournament play and to promote player development, sportsmanship, and competitive balance, the League may form a combined All-Star team with another chartered Little League under the conditions outlined below. When the League fields only one regular-season team in each division, or when the total number of eligible players is insufficient to form a competitive All-Star team, the Board of Directors may approve the formation of a combined All-Star team with one or more neighboring chartered Little Leagues. Player Selection: A. Player selection shall be conducted in accordance with Little League tournament rules and eligibility requirements. B. Each participating league shall have fair representation in the selection process, as defined in the inter-league agreement.

Only players that live or go to school within Lobo district boundaries or have been given explicit permission by LL international are eligible to compete in tournament play. If you are a parent with a player who has found themselves registered to play at Lobo and your player does not reside or attend school within Lobo boundaries and has not been instructed to do so by district staff or the Lobo league President, please contact the Lobo league President as soon as possible at (505) 550-1310. If you are interested in All-stars or feel like your child deserves to be an All-star, please contact the league president.

BADGING OF VOLUNTEERS

All background cleared volunteers will be issued an identification badge and must always wear the badge while on the field or in the dugout. This rule will be strictly enforced by umpires, field monitors and the Board of Directors. If any volunteer is not wearing their badge, they will be asked to leave the field or dugout until their badge is produced.

Please email your badge photos to: **lobollbb@gmail.com**

Replacement badges are available for a cost of \$10 per badge. NOTE: there is not a same day Badge issuance policy.

Concessions

The concession stand is a volunteer run snack bar. One individual per home team on game day will have to volunteer to help unless no help is needed. No game will begin until concession stand is open.

LOBO LL 2026 SAFE Summary



Dear Volunteers, Parents/Guardians, and Players:

LOBO Little League is committed to providing a safe, welcoming environment where every player, volunteer, and family feels supported. Safety is an important part of every season, and we believe it is a shared responsibility that helps everyone enjoy the game with confidence and peace of mind.

As part of Little League SAFE, our league has confirmed the steps we take to protect children, prepare volunteers, and maintain safe facilities and playing conditions. From equipment checks and emergency planning to strong child protection practices and volunteer training, our goal is to create a positive, fun, and secure experience for every participant.

Thank you for being part of a community that puts kids first and works together to help ensure a safe, memorable Little League season.

Sincerely,

LOBO Little League Board of Directors

[2026 SAFE Plan](#)

Required Abuse Awareness Training for Volunteers



In 2018, the “Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and SafeSport Authorization Act of 2017” became Federal law. As part of SafeSport, abuse awareness training is now a required part of the annual Little League Volunteer Application, along with the annual background check. The training must be completed before any individual can assume any duties for the current season. Volunteers must complete the training on an annual basis.

USA Baseball’s BASE Abuse Awareness Training is a FREE online training that is SafeSport-compliant. This course can be completed in approximately 30 minutes online, producing a certificate of completion that you will share with the league official who is responsible for overseeing your league’s background checks. This certificate verifies that you have completed the training.

All Little League Volunteers are mandated reporters and could face criminal charges if the league chooses to ignore, or not report to the proper authorities, any witnessed act of child abuse, including sexual abuse, within 24 hours.



[Abuse Awareness Training Course](#)

Volunteer Background Check JDP Palatine



Important Dates

Field Clean Up - Saturday, March 7th

- Lobo Little League
- 9am – 12pm

District 5 Umpire Clinic – TBD

Interleague Manager's Meeting – Monday, April 6th

- TBD

OPENING DAY, APRIL 11th, 2026

Make sure your team arrives on time to the opening day ceremonies and in full uniform.

- 9:00 a.m. Players arrive in uniform.
- 9:30 am Player Parade and Introductions
- 10:30 Food and Snack
- 11:00 Burgers and snacks
- 12:00 pm – Opening Day Fun!

Free
ADMISSION

2026 LOBO BASEBALL

LOBO BASEBALL FIELD





Albuquerque Isotopes Baseball Little League Night May 16th, 2026

- Isotopes Vs. OKC Comets(Dodgers)
- Team Banner Night – Teams make banners to promote their team and parade around the ballpark.



Lobo Little League has partnered with the Albuquerque Isotopes to bring every player and their families in our league to the game to promote the Little League night. Each player will receive a ticket to the game as part of the registration.

We are offering parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents, uncles, and aunts a chance to buy tickets to this game at a discounted price of \$12.00 per person, the seats are guaranteed to be together if purchased before April 18th.

If you are interested in purchasing additional tickets for your family, please see your coach or team parent.



TAKE THE FIELD WITH THE TOPES!

Take the field with Isotopes players and meet Orbit up close and personal! Celebrate your team's season with an experience of a lifetime by taking the field just like the pros. Only two teams are scheduled for each game, so make priceless memories by scheduling your Team of the Game for the 2025 season.

Team of the Game Package Includes

- ◆ Reserved Level Seat to the game.
- ◆ An all-you-can-eat hot dog menu for the duration of the picnic in the Ozone.
- ◆ Just like the pros, players and coaches are recognized individually on our state-of-the-art video board.
- ◆ Team name will appear on the message board.
- ◆ A team picture will be taken while your Team of the Game is on the field.
- ◆ Souvenir discounts are available on selected items of 20 or more.
- ◆ Discounted souvenir logo baseballs are \$5.00 each (must be purchased at time of final payment).
- ◆ Personal Ticket Sales Account Executive to help set up your special event.
- ◆ Group name printed on the ticket



Team of the Game Details*

TEAM of the GAME MENU.....\$20.00 per person

Reserved Level Seat
 All-you-can-eat hot dogs, chips, and unlimited assorted soft drinks.
 Grandma's Cookie 2pk (one per person)
Down Payment: \$300.00

Down payment is non-refundable and due upon reservation. Food service in Ozone.

ADD THE EXTRAS (Minimum of 15)

Crackerjacks (add \$5.50 per person) **Popcorn** (add \$5.50 per person)

TEAM OF THE GAME PARTY TIMES

Game Time	Party Time
7:05 pm	5:30 pm-7:00 pm
6:35 pm	5:00 pm-6:30 pm
6:05 pm	4:30 pm-6:00 pm
1:35 pm	12:00 pm-1:30 pm
12:05 pm	11:00 am-12:30 pm
11:05 am	UNAVAILABLE

*Team of the Game dates are based on availability. Only two (2) teams will be scheduled per game. NO EXCEPTIONS

CONTACT A TICKET SALES ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE AND SCHEDULE YOUR TEAM OF THE GAME
 (505)924-2255



All Teams of the Game must be booked at least two (2) weeks prior to game date.

EXCLUSIVE SHOP EVENT

20% OFF

YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE

DICK'S

TRADE IN & TRADE UP Turn your gently used bat into a gift card.

Search "bat trade in" on dicks.com or see store for more details.

Lobo Little League

Offers valid 3/6/2026 - 3/9/2026

Lobo Little League

Valid 3/6/2026 - 3/9/2026

Valid at Albuquerque (Cottonwood and Uptown) location.

20% OFF YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE DICK'S

NEED AN ITEM NOT AVAILABLE IN-STORE?

Ask a Store Associate about ordering an item(s) through our ScoreMORE kiosk, located inside the store. Receive a 20% discount, plus free shipping, valid on the date(s) listed above. Some exclusions apply.

VALID IN-STORE ONLY. Limit one coupon per customer. Excludes taxes, prior purchases, gift cards, extended warranties such as the No Sweat Protection plan, licenses, store credit, services or excluded items, detailed in-store or at DICKS.com/Exclusions. Cannot be combined with other offers. No reproductions or rain checks accepted. Offer not accepted at DICK'S Warehouse Sale or Going, Going, Gone! locations.



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2026 Banner Sponsorship

Each Team is asked to solicit 2 sponsors.
Minimum 1 from each team.

Lobo Little League is a non-profit organization run solely by dedicated volunteers. Any sponsorship can be used as a tax deduction.

Banner Sponsorship	\$400	3x5 Vinyl Banner hung within facility
Banner/Team Sponsorship	\$600	3x5 Banner along with logo printed on one team jersey

Please email a copy of business card and/or high-resolution graphics for the sign. Lobo.little.league.nm@gmail.com You may call 505-400-4954 for any questions you may have about sponsorships.

**Please have sponsors make checks payable to: Lobo Little League
Federal EIN: 237232995 for deductions**

Lobo Little League 2026

Parent Commitment/Code of Conduct

Parents must read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in our league. Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all remaining games.

I pledge to abide by the following standards of behavior as a parent of a player in Lobo Little League, Inc. I make this pledge for my entire family and any spectators I bring to Little League events.

I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, umpires, and spectators at every game, practice or sporting event.

I will always remember that children participate to have fun and that youth sports are conducted for children, not for adults.

I will insist that my child's coaches uphold this code of ethics and the Coaches' Code of Ethics.

I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.

I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any umpire, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.

I will be a respectful fan by not criticizing the umpires and other officials and remembering that they are volunteers.

I will insist that my child treat everyone with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.

I will respect the officials, umpires, and score keepers of their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.

I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.

I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.

I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.

I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also deemphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.

I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.

I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

I will do my best to get my child to all games and practices on time. I will call my manager/coaches if we are going to be late or miss.

I will assist my team with field prep and clean-up and take my turn at concession duty. I will help keep up Lobo's appearance by picking up trash, picking weeds, and helping with field maintenance. I will not smoke on Lobo Little League property, but in designated areas.

The Little League Parent/Volunteer Pledge

I will teach all children to play fair and do their best I will
positively support all managers, coaches and players I will
respect the decisions of the umpires I will praise a good
effort despite the outcome of the game

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Lobo Little League 2026

Player Code of Conduct

Lobo Little League welcomes all eligible participants to become a part of its baseball program but requires participants to acknowledge that appropriate behavior is an essential ingredient to the success of the program and the enjoyment of those involved. Accordingly, all those interested in participating in Lobo Little League are required to review and abide by this Code of Conduct, as a condition to eligibility. ***Any individual who fails to abide by these requirements is subject to disciplinary action by Lobo Little League, including suspension and termination of participation, without refund of participation or other fees.***

I will not force my child to sign-up to play but, once committed to a team, will use my best efforts to encourage and enable my child to participate fully in his or her team's practices and games and use his or her best efforts to practice, seek personal improvement in skills as a teammate and learn the game.

1. I will be a positive role model for other participants of all ages by encouraging good sportsmanship and positive support for all players, coaches, umpires and spectators at every game, practice and associated activities, and will ensure the same behavior from my guests and family members. I will talk first and predominantly about the positive things in each practice and game. I will emphasize improvement and success for each individual player and avoid comparisons to the more or less skilled players.
2. I will not engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any umpire, coach, player, parent, or any other person, including, without limitation, booing or taunting, or verbally criticizing umpire calls, coaching decisions, plays in the field or game results, or using any profane or abusive language or gestures, and will ensure the same behavior from my guests and family members.
3. I will emphasize that mistakes, errors, bad calls and losses are part of any game (and life) and develop strategies to learn from those events, not dwell on them and develop a strategy for moving forward to the next play or situation.
4. I will neither engage in nor enable any behavior or practice that would endanger the health or well-being of any of the participants or spectators at any game, practice or associated activity (including, without limitation, any inappropriate physical contact or verbal attacks), and will ensure the same behavior from my guests and family members.
5. I will ensure that my family promotes respect for all players, coaches, umpires, spectators, and administrators, regardless of race, color, gender, playing ability or any other category. I will not make or disseminate critical or derogatory remarks (including by email or other electronic media) that are designated to harm or would have the likely effect of harming another's reputation or standing in the community. I will therefore handle any issues or complaints that I may have in a constructive manner and in a private setting that is appropriate under the circumstances.
6. I will learn the rules of the game and the leagues in which I participate and ensure that I understand those rules and the importance of playing by the rules. I will neither promote nor engage in any activity designed to avoid or disregard the rules of the game or any league or manipulate any process to obtain a result inconsistent with those rules, including any process for selecting teams.
7. I will abide by and respect the calls of the umpires on the field and understand that our umpires may make mistakes. I will not challenge or demonstrate any objection to a judgment call made by an umpire during a game and will ensure the same behavior from my guests and family members. I understand and agree that any challenge or argument with a judgment call may result in disciplinary action against me.
8. I will respect the public and private property on and around our playing fields and participate in ensuring that no damage to or theft of such property occurs, and that all fields are maintained in at least as good condition at the end of each game and practice as at the beginning, with all trash and other items properly disposed of or removed from the field.

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