

# 2026 Bellville Little League

## Minor Girls/ 9-10 Year old Division

- **Points of emphasis of official rules 4.10**
  - 1 hour 45 minutes-finish the inning. Inning starts after 3rd out of previous inning.
  - Teams must play a minimum of 4 innings (3 ½ if the home team is leading) to be an official game. No inning may start after 10:00PM.
  - Only 3 coaches allowed
  - ALL coaches must be inside the dugout when team is in the field
  - NO on deck hitters
  - There is a 3-run limit per each half inning. If the game is tied at the end of regulation play or the time limit, the game remains a tie.
  - If the score differential is 10 runs or greater at the end of 4 innings (3 ½ if home team is leading), OR 6 runs or greater at the end of 5 innings (4 ½ if home team is leading), the game shall be ended with the team leading declared as the winner.
  - With two (2) outs, a courtesy runner may be utilized for the Catcher. This is not mandatory.
  - In Softball, and only through **April 8th**, after the batter receives a 4<sup>th</sup> called Ball, then the Coach may pitch the remainder of that batter's at-bat.
  - You must have 8 players to play a game. If you cannot field 8 players, it is not an automatic forfeiture. The game can be rescheduled.
  - Stealing is allowed ONLY when a coach/adult is not pitching. Base runners shall not leave their bases until the ball has reached the batter. Leaving the base early is an automatic out. No pitch is recorded and it is a Dead Ball. The umpire may use their discretion to issue one team warning, particularly early on in the season.
- **Bellville Little League additions**
  - Bat the entire roster.
  - Free substitution, with a minimum of 6 defensive outs being played by each player. No player can sit out consecutive innings.
  - If you are short a player, you may pull from another team as long as the person is on the roster at the beginning of the game, and is in the same age group as your team. A pick up player must play outfield, must bat last, and cannot pitch.
- **Team Responsibilities**
  - Home team is responsible for the announcer and GameChanger
  - Visiting Team is responsible for scoreboard
  - Both teams are responsible for field cleanup after the games
    - Rake and maintain field for next game
    - Pick up trash in stands and surrounding areas
- **Field Maintenance**
  - Bellville Little League Fields
    - **Please follow field maintenance guidance provided in coaches packet.**
- **Player Agent**
  - Brett Thomas: 979-231-8053
  - In the event you have a conflict and need to reschedule a game, contact your player agent at least **48 hours** in advance. The conflict will be taken to the League President and a decision whether to reschedule will be made.