

Grade School Baseball Rules – “WIAA Rules should be enforced”

- 1) Bat Specifications –
 - All bats must be in compliance with the new WIAA and HFHS standards and have a BBCOR stamp to be legal.
 - One piece wood bats are acceptable – NO Composite Wood Bats will be allowed.
 - Acceptable will be Little League Rules 2 ¼” Diameter 33” Max Length bats
- 2) League Ages that may play
 - 7th, 8th & 9th Grades
 - You may bring up younger players if needed
 - 9th graders can play, only if they do not make or play High School Baseball
- 3) Umpires –
 - Home Team responsible for (2) Umpires
 - League “Recommends” having (1) Certified WIAA Umpire and the second to be at least 18 years of age if not certified.
 - Semifinal and Final game Home team League requires minimum of (1) WIAA Certified Umpire and “Recommends” (2).
 - League will pay home semifinal and final team \$50 each for umpires (\$100 total per game)
- 4) Pitching Rule
 - Pitchers may only pitch a maximum of (4) total innings in a game
 - A pitcher pitching (4) innings, must have a 2 days layoff before he or she can pitch again.
 - (1) Extra inning may be pitched if the game goes into extra innings
 - This applies for all pitchers not only the pitcher of the 7th inning.
 - In any given inning (1) pitch is considered an inning pitched
 - (1) Time re-entry rule for pitchers will be enforced
 - The 2 day layoff will stand for any rain out or continuation games
- 5) League Baseballs to be
 - D1 or D1 Pro
 - NEW Approved & Licensed (NFHS)
 - Diamond MVP Elite Baseball – Model# DOL-MVP
- 6) Line-Up Batting Rule – (A team can use one of the three below line-up formats)
 - A team can bat all 9 defensive players
 - A team can bat all 9 defensive players and use a DH for one of your defensive players
 - A team can bat their entire line-up (This would allow free substitution on defense)
 - If you decide to bat entire line-up, you must bat everyone, in the event of an injured player the team will not take an out unless lineup is less than 9 players.
 - This does not mean that the opposing team needs to bat the entire line-up (The opposing team is still able to choose any of the three formats)
- 7) Game Length / Time Limits
 - Each game to be a normal 7 Innings game or 2 hour time limit game
 - Home team to determine if a 2 hour time limit is in affect at the start of the game
 - If the 2 hour time limit is in effect, a new inning shall not start after 1 hour and 50 minutes
 - Games ending for any reason in a tie, will need to be rescheduled and completed if not considered a complete game
- 8) Playoffs
 - Top 4 teams in the league will make the playoffs
 - Game 1 – Will be the First place team hosting the 4th place team
 - Game 2 – Will be the Second place team hosting the 3rd place team

- Game 3 “Championship Game – The highest position team will host the game
- In the event that there is a tie in any position the following tie breaker rules will apply
 - Two teams
 - Head to Head
 - Fewest runs allowed in head to head
 - Fewest runs allowed in league games
 - Three or more teams
 - Head to Head
 - Fewest runs allowed common games
 - Fewest runs allowed in league games

9) Scheduling

- Each team will play each other twice (home and away) . Floater games will be scheduled by the home team. An emphasis is placed on getting these games scheduled ASAP.
- Last regular league scheduled game needs to be played before the Tuesday before the semifinal game.
- Semifinal games will tentatively be set to be played the second from last Sunday of July.
- Final game will be set to be played the last Sunday in July .

10) Rosters

- Rosters need to be in to league president by the 3rd league game
- Additions to the roster from a family moving in need to be approved by League Committee
- To play in semifinal or final player must have played in 3 league games

11) League Committee

- The league will appoint/elect a board of three to handle appeals.