

All Star Baseball League – 5th/6th Grade Rules

WIAA rules apply unless stated below (Revised 5/18/25)

****PLEASE CARRY THESE RULES WITH YOU AT EVERY GAME FOR REFERENCE****

Game Days/Times – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00. (unless agreed upon by coaches & league organizer)

If both coaches don't agree on a different time, then game time is at 6pm)

NOTE: There may be a couple of games the league adjusts times (contact me is an issue)

Game Setup – 6 innings or 90 minutes. No new inning may start after 90 minutes.

NOTE: portable mounds can only be used if BOTH coaches agree to use them. You must notify and ask all coaches prior to JUNE 1ST to allow proper notification and potential preparation time. (if not done prior to JUNE 1ST then it is not to be used.)

Tie Game - If game is tied after the 90 minute time limit then the game will remain tied.

If game is tied at the end of the 6th inning and time still remains, you may play an additional inning (until the 90 minute time limit is up) to break the tie. When the 90 minute time limit is up and score remains tied then the game will end in a tie.

NOTE: The last out from previous inning will start at 2nd base in each extra inning played.

A game is considered complete after 4 innings if the game has to be cancelled for darkness or weather.

If 3.5 innings have been played and the home team is ahead this will consist as a complete game.

NOTE: 4 innings have not been completed then game will need to be rescheduled and resume where the game was left off.

Rescheduling of Game: (1) Both teams must make an effort to reschedule the game. (2) Games not completed by end of season will be scored as a tie. (3) Games cancelled for reasons other than weather, the requesting team will be responsible for a makeup date suitable with the opposing team or forfeit the game.

* The umpire's decision is final – no protesting any calls or the outcome of the game.

Field Dimensions – Pitching Mound 50ft (from back of home plate to front of pitching plate), Bases 70ft.

Pregame – No infield practice. Teams should warmup prior to game time outside of diamond.

Pregame Meeting – prior to game time coaches and umpires MUST meet at home plate to discuss rules/question and field boundaries.

Between Innings – max of 5 warm up pitches allowed between innings

Infield Fly Rule – Normal rules apply. A high fly ball in the infield that is easily catchable by the infield with runners on 1st & 2nd or bases loaded. The ball must be in fair territory and only applies when there are 0 or 1 out. Batter is out and the runners may advance at their own risk.

Stealing/Leading off – Stealing is allowed, normal lead off is also allowed (just like HS baseball)

Runners may not steal if your team is winning by 8 runs or more.

Advancing on past balls/overthrows is allowed (unless team is winning by 8 runs or more)

Home is open, however if up by 8 runs or more you are not allowed to steal.

Runners – Sliding

- *Runners must slide OR avoid Malicious contact when there is a play at any base/plate, or will be called out.
- *A play is defined as the defender having control of the ball and attempting to tag the runner out.
- *If the defender does not have control of the ball, the runner must still try to avoid malicious contact or slide.
- *If the runner is put out due to avoiding a defender without control of the ball, the umpire may call the runner safe due to obstruction.
- *must slide or avoid contact when there is a play at the base

Dropped Third Strike – if 1st base is open or on 2 outs, batter may attempt to advance to first

Bats – BBCORE or USA stamped bats - 2 5/8" max barrel size. Also not to exceed 32".

USSSA BATS ARE NOT ALLOWED. THEY ARE ILLEGAL FOR THIS LEAGUE

NOTE: If a NON-APPROVED/ILLEGAL bat is brought onto the playing field batter is to take an out for that at bat. If a team has repeated offenses disciplinary action may occur.

(coach and player may be suspended for next game...or games)

****MUST CONTACT LEAGUE ORGANIZER TO HANDLE SUSPENSIONS**

Ball – ball must be little league approved.

- *Home team must provide 1 or 2 new game balls per game and 1 or 2 other good balls

Cleats – NO Metal cleats allowed.

Mercy Rules – 15 runs after 4 innings or 10 runs after 5 innings.

Home is open for ALL innings with a max of 5 runs per inning (continuation will be allowed)

Pitching Rule – A PITCHER MAY NOT PITCH MORE THAN 3 INNINGS IN ANY GAME (1 pitch in any inning counts as an inning pitched). A pitcher may be brought back in to pitch 1x only as long as he does not exceed the 3 innings allowed (ex: pitch inning 1,2 can come back in to pitch 5th). If a pitcher hits 3 batters he must be removed from pitching and is not allowed to pitch again for that game.

Note: a game is considered complete after 4 innings if the game has to be cancelled for darkness or weather.

- Any player may play up a division.
- A player may play down a division only if the team is short players, and must be approved by the opposing coach. Players playing down may only play in the outfield and must bat at the bottom of the order. May be altered by the opposing coach.

Teams are allowed to play with 10 players in the field.

NO out or penalty will be called for the missing players.

You may start with 8 players and may add late player without penalty. Less than 8 will be a forfeit.

Free defensive substitutions.

NOTE: anything not defined in these rules will be umpires or both coaches' discretion.

WIAA Rules will apply for all other rules.

Umpire Qualifications – Coaches or players getting on umpires is prohibited. If this happens, coach and or player(s) may be suspended for future game(s) or may be removed from the remainder of the league games.

- (a) The home plate and base umpires must be high school age (at least 15 years old).
- (b) The home team is responsible for providing the home plate and base umpires.
- (c) Plate umpire is required to wear shin guards, chest protector, and face mask.

If you have additional rules you want put in or want to discuss any existing rules please contact me immediately.

NOTE: Rules may be added/changed at any time during the season if organizer deems change/addition is necessary

REPORTING SCORES:

- **ALL SCORES MUST BE REPORTED BY THE HOME TEAM WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER THE GAME.**
- **IF GAME IS RESCHEDULED HOME TEAM MUST REPORT RESCHEDULE DATE TO THE LEAGUE COMMISSIONER.**
- **WHEN REPORTING SCORE YOU MUST INDICATE THE GRADE (3/4, 5/6, 7/8) AND THE TEAMS THAT PLAYED.**
- **REPORT ALL SCORES TO COACHGREEN@TDS.NET**