

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Pool and elimination games are 1 hour 30 minutes(Weather Update). A new inning cannot start with 5 minutes or less remaining on the game clock. All run rules will apply. Pool games can end in a tie. In elimination play, the international tiebreaker will be used. (Last batter out becomes base runner at 2nd base.)
2. The Middle School Tournament will be played in Complex D.
3. Teams will hit their own baseballs and use -3 bats only.
4. Completed games are 5 innings(Weather Update).
5. Run rules are 12 after 3 innings and 8 after 4 innings.
6. Home team will be decided by coin toss in pool games. Higher seeded team will be the home team in elimination games. Home team will be the official scorekeeper.
7. Courtesy runners are allowed for pitchers and catchers. 1st option – must use sub player on team. 2nd option – Last batted out if no sub player available. If last batted out was a pitcher or catcher, goes to batter prior to the last batted out.
8. DH/EH - Teams may bat a nine (9) player line-up, or a nine (9) player line-up with a Designated Hitter (DH), or a ten (10) player line-up with an Extra Hitter (EH),or a 10 player line-up with a DH and EH.
9. Because of limited playing times, intentional walks are granted automatically without pitching the ball. Pitcher must make the request to the home plate umpire.
10. Seeding for the tournament (1-14) in each division will be based on a team's won-lost record. Seeding will take place after the final pool game. In the event of ties:
 - a) Head to head competition (only if two are tied, if 3 or more are tied, go to "b")
 - b) Fewest runs allowed in all games
 - c) Run differential (runs scored minus runs allowed)
 - d) Coin toss
11. **The Sportsplex will not keep pitching records for the weekend. We know Middle School coaches have the best interest for their young players and will not jeopardize their future.**

*****Attention Coaches*****

Additional Park Rules are posted on our web site, some key rules, which we would appreciate you making your parents aware of, include:

- Gate admission Fees –Adult daily passes are \$5 and \$2 for children ages 6 – 12. Children 5 and under are free
- We are a Tobacco Free facility, which includes all forms of tobacco. (You are allowed to smoke or chew outside the gates.) **Electronic/Vapor Cigarettes will not be permitted.**
- **Coach Passes and Cooler Tags (for team coolers) will be available at the gate.**
- **TACA and TSSAA passes are permitted (1 person, per pass)**
- **Coaches** will be allowed to bring in a total of two coolers per team. These two coolers will be tagged by the coaches and will be numbered.
- **Players** will be allowed to bring in a personal water bottle.
- **Fans** No personal coolers allowed. Coaches please inform your parents and fans.
- No pets allowed. Service animals only.
- For weather information, you can check the web site: www.jacksonsportsplex.com
- Directions to the facility are on the web site including a map of the complex. **Bus Parking is available in the C Complex Parking Lot.**