Team Rules

Little League 2022

**Players & Parents:**

These rules are designed to keep you informed regarding team regulations, as well as TABA procedures. Participating in Little League is fun, healthy and exciting. It also contains responsibilities for parents and players.

Please be sure to read this information and return the final page as acceptance of notification of these rules. Failure to return the final page does not constitute a rejection of League/Team Rules.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact a member of the coaching staff at any time.

# **Attendance:**

1. A game/practice schedule will be distributed as a guide for use during the season. This can also be found our website at <http://tamaquaareabaseball.com> under the team’s directory and also via the gamechanger app two weeks before the season.
2. Attendance at all games/practices is expected. Excused absences will be accepted through prior notification to the coaching staff 24hrs in advance please. Unexcused absences may have an effect upon playing time. Parents should make every effort to contact the coaching staff prior to a player missing a scheduled game or practice.
3. Weather conditions, as well as other issues can arise that would necessitate altering the schedule.
4. When hindering weather conditions are apparent or predicted, the coaching staff will make every effort to contact parents at least one half hour before the scheduled game/practice. **Parents should provide a phone/text number and/or e-mail address that they check frequently. All Parents should be provided the GameChanger information to download the application for scheduling information and a point of contact for team members.**
5. If a student is not in school due to illness, they should not attend any practice/game held on that day. Parents are still responsible to contact the coach to report absence from practice.

# **Games:**

1. Only the manager and 3 (A scorekeeper & 2 Coaches) are allowed in the dugout during the game.
2. All players should arrive at the game site **at least 30 minutes before** the scheduled start time.
3. Players are expected to be in full uniform, have all necessary equipment, and be ready to play when they arrive.
4. Shirts must be tucked in to game pants.
5. No metal spikes may be worn.
6. All players will play in each game unless injury or attendance issues prohibit participation.
7. Players must remain in the dugout or on the playing field during games. Emergency trips to the restroom are permitted.
8. Food is prohibited in the dugout and on the playing field, other than chewing gum. Sunflower seeds are permitted in the dugout.
9. Personal drinks are permitted in the dugout, provided they can be sealed.
10. Use of tobacco products is prohibited in the dugout or around the fields.

# **Conduct:**

1. Players are expected to maintain sportsmanlike conduct and HUSTLE at all times.
2. Players must be respectful of coaches, teammates, umpires, adults and competitors. Please do not call any coach by their first name. Refer to them to as Coach or Mr./Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Players should offer only positive encouragement.
4. Players are expected to give their best effort at all times in practice and games.
5. Players must be focused on playing baseball at practice and games. Disrupting practice or a game is unacceptable.
6. Only appropriate language and topics are permitted. Violations of this will not be tolerated.
7. Slander or Harassment via social media i.e. Facebook or Twitter will not be tolerated if this is brought to my attention or the TABA’s attention it will be dealt with accordingly.

# **Equipment:**

1. All players must have a baseball glove.
2. All male players are required to wear a protective athletic supporter and it is recommended that all players wear a protective cup. Catchers must wear a protective cup or they will not be permitted to play that position.
3. TABA provides catching equipment, batting helmets, and baseballs for practice and games.
4. If you choose to bring personal baseball equipment, it must be checked by a member of the coaching staff to ensure it meets Little League regulations.
5. Loss of personal equipment is the responsibility of the player.

# **Parent/Guardians Responsibilities:**

1. Please have players at games and practices by the designated times.
2. Please be positive supporters of your child and other players including other coaches and umpires on the field.
3. All players and parents must fulfill their obligations in regards to stand duties and fundraisers. All lottery tickets must be sold before your child receives a uniform.
4. Parents will have MANDATORY concession stand duty at least once during the season. If A&C Catering is the *Home* team (& first game of the day), you have the responsibility to open the stand. If Bova is the *Visiting* team (& last game of the day), you must close the stand. If you can’t make your scheduled day, you are responsible to have someone cover for you or make arrangements to switch with another parent. A parent will also be scheduled to work the score board for every home game (Biddy not included). Head Coaches may set any additional rules in regards to parents skipping or not completing their Stand Duty requirements.
5. Various fundraising projects and duties will occur during the season that supports your child’s participation and TABA responsibilities. Some, but not all, of these projects/duties are: concession stand, town canvas, basket bingo, food donations, lottery calendars and scoreboard operation.
6. We always need help coaching at practices and games. Please don’t ever hesitate to come out and join the fun.

**Parent’s Contact Information:**

Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Player & Parent/Guardian Agreement;**

My signature below indicates that I have read and understand the team rules and regulations. Furthermore, I agree to follow these rules throughout the 2019 Little League season.

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please supply me with an alternate phone number for a parent if possible and an emergency contact such as a grandparent, older sibling, family friend, etc.

ALTERNATE CELL NUMBER - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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