Little League Baseball, Inc. United States Eastern Region

# State of Pennsylvania

Association of

## District Administrators



Present the

# 2023 8 to 10-Year-Old Baseball Pennsylvania State Championship

Host: District 29 Little League

Site: Multiple Sites

Google Map link to sites: State Tournament Locations

Address: See Tournament Details Enclosed Tournament Dates: July 26th—July 31st, 2023

Web Site - www.padistrict29.org

Contact Information: District 29 Administrator Brendan O'Connor

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Tournament Director:

Mike Feliciano

Phone: 908-268-6628 Email: mfelicia@ptd.net

#### Tournament Check-In:

Date: TBD once Sectionals complete
Time: TBD once Sectionals complete
Location: TBD once Sectionals complete

\*Practice Schedules will be released during tournament check-in

#### Dear Manager,

District 29 would like to congratulate you on winning your sectional tournament, and becoming sectional champions! The next step in your journey is going to take you to the beautiful Pocono Mountains. For all information on what the Pocono Mountains have to offer, we suggest visiting the Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau website.

(https://www.poconomountains.com/)

This website is chock full of information as to where to stay, things to do, and places to visit around the entire area.

The tournament games will take place across the entire District 29 area showcasing everything the region has to offer. Although you are welcome to stay anywhere, we do suggest that you find a location within the Pocono, Middle Smithfield, and Stroud Townships. These locations will be home to the semi-final and final rounds of the tournament, and near available practice facilities.

If you have any questions concerning this packet of information or how this tournament will be conducted, please do not hesitate to call/text/email me. Please include your information in any initial text messages, and please leave a detailed voice message if necessary.

**Enclosed in this packet are the following:** 

- 1. Team Manager Communication Form
  Please contact me as soon as possible via e-mail (Mike Feliciano)—my email is <a href="mailto:mfelicia@ptd.net">mfelicia@ptd.net</a>
  Please forward the contact information to me as soon as you can.
- 2. Approved Tournament Bracket
- 3. Approved Tournament Dates/Times
- 4. Addresses/Map for the host locations
- 5. Tournament Rules and Highlights

The PA Little League District Administrators have agreed that no team will be permitted to compete without first submitting all documentation (properly completed affidavit, boundary map, residency documentation, and any necessary waivers) for review and approval by the Tournament Director. Please see your local District Administrator immediately if you are unclear on any matters relating to the required documentation.

PA District 29 believes strongly that the players according to the Little League Official Regulations and Playing Rules should decide all games on the field. In particular, rule XIV(a) – Field Decorum will be strictly enforced:

(610) The actions of players, managers, coaches, umpires and league officials must be above reproach. Any player, manager, coach, umpire or league representative who is involved in a verbal or physical altercation, or an incident of unsportsmanlike conduct at the game site or any other Little League activity is subject to disciplinary action by the Local League Board or Directors.

Any unsportsmanlike action by players, manager, coaches, or fans from the opposing team to disrupt the play of any player, especially the pitcher, will be dealt with immediately. PA District 29 expects the manager and coaches to control their fans.

Good luck to all the teams and we hope everyone has a great tournament!

Thank you.
Mike Feliciano
PA District 29 ADA
Tournament Director

#### **TEAM MANAGER - COMMUNICATION**

For your information, results and scores of all games during this tournament will be posted on the PA District 29 website that can be located at: www.padistrict29.org

ALL SCORING WILL BE DONE ELECTRONICALLY VIA GAMECHANGER. IF CELLUAR ISSUES ARISE, SCOREBOOKS CAN BE USED AND THE APPROPRIATE DATA WILL BE INSERTED MANUALLY AT THE COMPLETION OF EACH DAY.

Please complete the following information and e-mail to the tournament director (Mike Feliciano) at <a href="mailto:mfelicia@ptd.net">mfelicia@ptd.net</a>.
We must have this information at least 3 days prior to your arrival at the field.

LEAGUE NAME:
MANAGER'S NAME:
E-MAIL:
HOME I HONE #.
CELL PHONE #:
COACH'S NAME:
E-MAIL:
HOME PHONE #:
CELL PHONE #:
COACH'S NAME:
E-MAIL:
HOME PHONE #:
CELL PHONE #:
LEAGUE PRESIDENT'S NAME:
E-MAIL:
HOME PHONE #:
CELL PHONE #:
N LIEU OF THIS FORM, YOU ARE WELCOME TO EMAIL A PDF
COPY OF YOUR TOURNAMENT AFFIDAVIT. PLEASE EMAIL NO
LATER THAN 3 DAYS PRIOR TO START OF TOURNAMENT.

#### **Tournament Contacts:**

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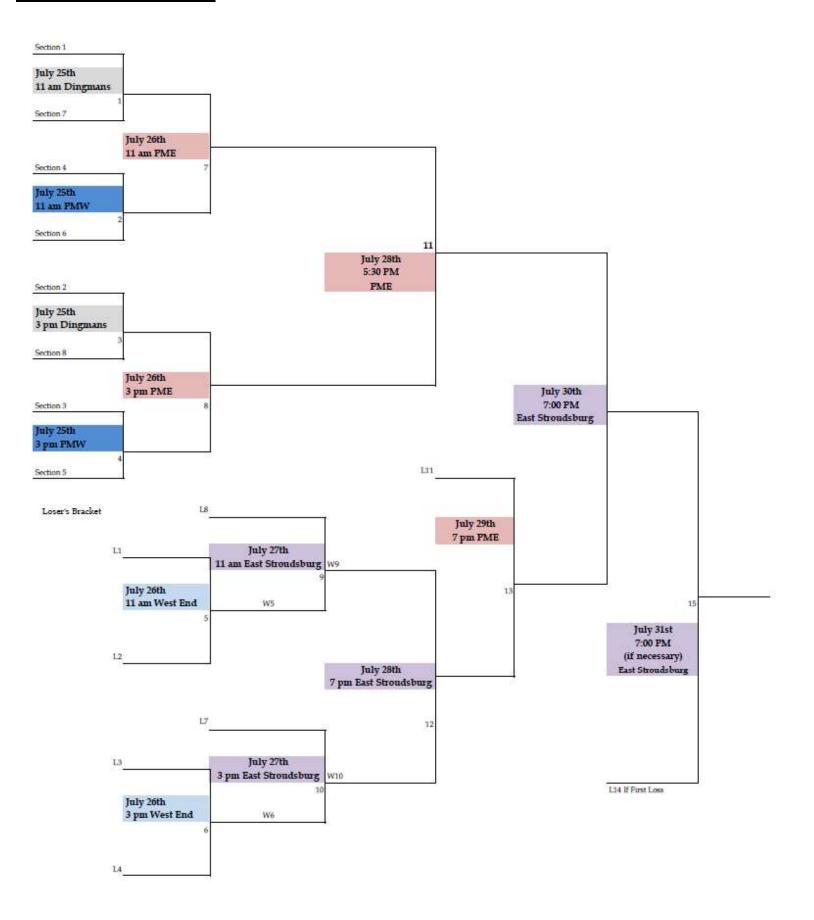
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## **Tournament Bracket:**



## **Tournament Schedule/Locations:**

#### First Round Games, July 25th

Sections 3, 4, 5, 6

Hosted by Pocono Mountain West Little League

(Map: Purple Pin)

Pocono Mountain West

105 Government Ctr Way, Pocono Pines, PA 18350

41.10320384397031, -75.46965103863697

Blanche D. Price Memorial Park

#### Sections 1, 2, 7, 8

Hosted by Dingman Delaware Little League

(Map: Dark Grey/Black pin)

**Dingmans** 

120 Wilson Hill Rd., Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328

41.213230476046775, -74.90677393284192

#### Winner's Bracket Games, July 26th

Hosted by Pocono Mountain East Little League - Reeders

(Map: Red Pin)

Pocono Mountain East - Reeders

2176 PA-715, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

41.01887660328484, -

75.33568369814846

Jackson Twp. Firehouse

#### Losers' Bracket Games, July 26th

Hosted by West End Little League

(Map: Blue Pin)

West End

1504 Bonser Rd. Saylorsburg, PA 18353

40.903306206818385, -75.33399820305365

Saylorsburg Playground

#### Losers' Bracket Games, July 27th

Hosted by East Stroudsburg Little League

(Map: Yellow Pin)

**East Stroudsburg** 

Walnut St & W Vine St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

41.00500122646943, -75.18935419751097

John Konawalik Little League Field

#### July 28th Games:

Winners' Bracket:

Hosted by Pocono Mountain East Little League - Reeders

(Map: Red Pin)

Pocono Mountain East - Reeders

2176 PA-715, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

41.01887660328484, -

75.33568369814846

Jackson Twp. Firehouse

#### Losers' Bracket:

Hosted by East Stroudsburg Little League

East Stroudsburg

Walnut St & W Vine St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

41.00500122646943, -75.18935419751097

John Konawalik Little League Field

#### July 29th Game:

Hosted by Pocono Mountain East Little League - Tannersville

(this is a different location than the previous game held here, RED PIN)

Pocono Mountain East - Tannersville

175 Alger Ave, Tannersville, PA 18372

41.038516971434355, -

75.3076470360785

Use GPS or Address

#### July 30<sup>th</sup>, Championship Game

Hosted by East Stroudsburg Little League

East Stroudsburg

Walnut St & W Vine St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

41.00500122646943, -75.18935419751097

John Konawalik Little League Field

#### July 31<sup>st</sup>, Championship Game 2 (if necessary)

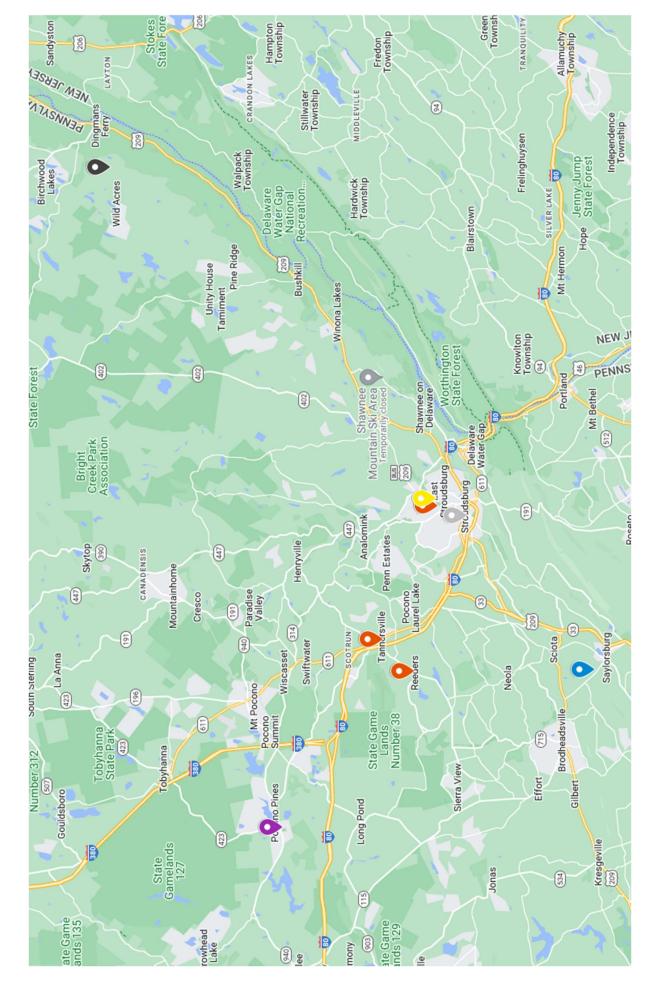
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#### No Pets or Alcohol of any kind permitted at the fields!!

## **Tournament Rules & Procedures Highlights**

"GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IS THE HALLMARK OF ALL SUCCESSFUL LITTLE LEAGUE TOURNAMENTS."

#### 1.0 GENERAL RULES & PROCEDURES

- 1.1 The Tournament Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball / Softball shall be binding, abided by and Strictly enforced.
- 1.2 All teams must have in their possession all documents required by Little League Inc. These include a completed and signed Eligibility Affidavit, Boundary Map indicating where each player resides within you league boundary. Copy of player's proof of age documentation, three proofs of residency. Reg. II(d) players require three proofs of residency for their former address within your league boundaries.
- 1.3 Each manager MUST have in his or her possession, a medical release signed by the parent / guardian for each player listed on the eligibility affidavit.
- 1.4 Players, managers and coaches that become involved in any misconduct, on or off the field, or at their lodging, may be dismissed from the tournament. The activity and person will be reported to the Little League Headquarters Tournament Committee, the parent league District Administrator and the League President.
- 1.6 Only the manager, coach(s) and players listed on the official affidavit are permitted in the dugout or on the playing field before, during or after the game.
- 1.8 Catchers must wear a mask with approved helmet meeting NOCSAE specifications and standards and have throat guards. (skullcap type are not acceptable in any division of play)
- 1.11 Tobacco / Tobacco products shall not be allowed in the dugouts or playing field. Most leagues prohibit smoking on their game sites. Please respect these prohibitions.
- 1.12 Game balls will be supplied by the host District and /or host league.

#### 2.0 BEFORE THE GAME

- **2.2 ARRIVAL AT GAME SITE & COIN FLIP;** Teams should arrive no later than 45 minutes prior to the game start time. A coin toss to determine home team will be conducted at home plate with both team managers 30 minutes prior to the game start time. If a team is not present at that point the District Representative will call the toss for that team. It is at this time that line-ups for the game **MUST** be presented to the game director. Additionally, upon arrival all team documentation described in paragraph 1.2 & 1.3 above **MUST** be presented to the game director.
- **2.3 ASSIGNED DUGOUTS;** First base dugout is assigned to the team (**Team "A"**) traveling the furthest distance to the game site. Third base dugout is assigned to the team (**Team "B"**) traveling the least distance to the game site.
- **2.4 EQUIPMENT CHECKS**; Once Equipment is checked no other equipment will be permitted in the dugout. Any equipment deemed unacceptable will be removed and retained by the host until the conclusion of the game, at which point it will be returned to the team.
- **2.6 GROUND RULES**; All Managers, Coaches, Umpires and The Game Director shall meet at home plate at the time listed on the "Game Day Order of Events" schedule to review the games ground rules.

#### 3.0 DURING THE GAME

- 3.1 All players shall remain *seated on the bench* when not actively in the ball game. Offensively as a batter, runner, on-deck batter (Junior / Senior Division of play only), or base coach, defensively as one of the nine players on the active batting order.
- 3.2 Players, Manager and/or coaches listed on the eligibility affidavit shall not address, or mingle with spectators. Team assistant *coaches*, *scorers*, *parents*, *league presidents*, *PR persons*, *etc. are spectators*.
- 3.3 Manager or coaches *shall not leave the dugout* prior to receiving permission from an umpire. No one may leave the confines of the playing field during the game or the time established by the game director without the permission of the game director.

Manager and/or coaches are prohibited from *warming up* any player at any time regardless of directions given otherwise, before or during the game.

3.4 A manager or coach may come out twice in one inning to *visit a pitcher* but the third time out, the player must be removed as a pitcher. (Note: only two (2) visits are permitted with the same batter). A manager or coach may come out three times in a game, but the fourth time out, the player must be removed as a pitcher. This rule applies to each pitcher who enters a game.

Be careful, any time-out awarded to a defensive player to talk to you will be charged against your pitcher if you talk to the player!!!

- 3.5 Only one (1) **offensive time out** will be permitted per inning.
- 3.6 See the tournament Rule book for substitutions and pitch runners, pitching rules

#### 3.7 **PROTESTS**:

- 3.8.1 Do not question umpire judgment calls!!
- 3.8.2 If you feel an umpire's decision is in *violation of a playing rule*, a formal protest must be made to the Umpire-in-chief (home plate umpire) at once.
  - A. Call time-out, be recognized, present your problem in a cordial manner. (no resolution)
  - B. Ask that all umpires confer. (no resolution)
  - C. Ask that the Game Director be conferred with. (no resolution)
  - D. Request the problem be brought to the Tournament Director/District Administrator who will refer the problem to the Regional Director for resolution, if applicable. Resolutions at this level are final.
- 3.8.3 Protests (not involving violations of a playing rule) shall be resolved by reference to the current Official Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball/Softball, Inc. e.g. Mandatory Play Time, etc.
- 3.8 *Profanity or throwing of equipment* will not be tolerated and are grounds for ejection from the game without warning.
- 3.9 Both base coaches (players or adults) must remain in the coach's box. Failure to do so is grounds for ejection.
- 3.10 In running the bases, a player's *helmet must remain on*, if in the umpire's judgment the player assists a helmet off while running the bases they may call the runner out.
- 3.11 If a defensive player has the ball waiting to make a tag the base runner must slide or try to avoid contact.
- 3.12 On Deck Batter is not permitted at the 8 thru 10-Year-Old Levels of play.
- 3.13 Base runner who slides head first while moving forward will be declared out at the 8 thru 10-Year-Old Levels of play.
- 3.14 The Official Scorekeeper will track the time outs charged to the pitchers and will track the pitch count (Baseball), or innings pitched (Softball) for all pitchers. This information will be transmitted to the teams after each complete inning of play via the Umpire-In-Chief (home plate umpire), any disagreements on charged time outs, pitch count or innings pitched shall be resolved prior to the start of a new inning.
  - Remember, for softball, a pitcher is charged a full inning pitched as soon as One (1) pitched is delivered.
- 3.15 Communication from the press box is limited to announcing players as they take position in the batter's box and the official score. any other communications shall be with the Umpire-In Chief. Coaching from the press box or distractions to players, coach(s) or managers from the press box are strictly forbidden and will result of the offender's removal from the game site.
- 3.16 At the top of the 4<sup>th</sup> inning the District is permitted to have a fund raiser (Hat collection, 50/50, etc.). The funds raised will be used by the district to offset the expenses of the tournament. Please be generous. Total receipts collected will be announced to the public as soon as possible.