



District 13 Washington
District Tournament Notes
June 27, 2022

Introduction

We are excited to hold the first “post-COVID” tournament for District 13, and proudly announce we are hosting the most teams we have seen in a while. Below are the general notes and schedule for the District Tournament for 2022. I (JP) am personally thankful for all the work put in by the boards, coaches, parents, and players this year. This is a good year for District 13. There are lots of pages to this document, so please read them all thoroughly I am sure there will be questions.

Schedule of Events

Friday June 24th 9:00 AM – The Tournament Director, DA, and League Safety officer of the host tournament will walk the planned playing fields, inspecting them for safety and reviewing safety guidelines. All fields must meet Little League Tournament standards as outlined in the “Green Book”.

Friday June 24th Noon – Player Agents, Presidents, or duly assigned Board members can drop off their tournament binders at 2310 N. Swing Lane in Liberty Lake. All books must be approved before the start of the first game on Monday. All books must be complete by tournament guidelines. Here are some helpful links:

<https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/steps-for-completing-the-little-league-international-tournament-affidavit/>

<https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/items-go-into-international-tournament-teams-eligibility-documents-book/>

Monday June 27th 9:00 AM – Coaches/Managers meeting. ALL game managers of all Divisions participating in the tournament from every league, or their duly appointed and rostered assistant coaches **must attend** the pre-Tournament conference. This will last approximately 1 Hour. The Tournament Director, DA, Umpire-in-Chief of the host league, and Safety Agent will discuss with the Managers and rule notes, field specifics, schedules, and playing guidelines.

Monday June 27th Noon – All correct books must be submitted for final approval.

Monday June 27th 1:00 PM – President's meeting. All Presidents, **from all leagues** (Participating or not in the District Tournament) will meet reviewing the Manager's meeting notes, discuss post-season guidelines, review District details of the year, and get a report from DA/ADA on the Little League Congress.

Game Schedule:

Monday 27th 3:00 PM Fields 1 and 2 – 8-10 year old bracket begins. See attached brackets (note, the field identifier is incorrect in the 8-10 bracket). On the first day, 8-10's will play on field 1 and 2. After Day 1, 8-10's will ALWAYS play on Field 2). See attached brackets and Google Earth image.

Monday 27th 6:00 PM – Field 1 and 2 – Majors bracket begins. See attached brackets. After Day 1, Majors will always play on Field 1.

Tuesday 28th 3:00 PM – Field 1 – 10-11 Bracket Begins. See attached Brackets. This is a "best 2 of 3" bracket as we only have two teams participating in the division at Districts. After Day 1 of this bracket all games will be held at 3:00 PM on Field 1

Tuesday 28th 6:00 PM Field 1 – Majors Game

Tuesday 28th 6:00 PM Field 2 – 8-10 Game

Wednesday 29th 3:00 PM – Field 1 – 10-11 Game (if either team wins both games, the tournament is over for this division)

Wednesday 29th 6:00 PM – Field 1 – Majors Game

Wednesday 29th 6:00 PM – Field 2 – Minors Game

Thursday 30th 3:00 PM – Field 1 - 10-11 "What if" game

Thursday 30th 6:00 PM – Field 1 – Majors Game

Thursday 30th 6:00 PM – Field 2 – 8-10 Game

Friday July 1 – 6:00 PM – Field 1 Majors Championship game (barring "what if game")

Friday July 1 – 6:00 PM – Field 2 – 8-10 Championship – (barring "what if game")

What if games (for either division majors/8-10) Will be held on July 2 at 6:00 PM.

Important Notes:

- The Green Book tournament rules will be observed.
- There is NO time limit on tournament games with the exception of curfew which is midnight (these fields do not have lights).
- If a game has to be continued due to weather or darkness, it will be continued the next morning at 9:00 AM. (any continuance that causes the game to be suspended where darkness becomes a factor will be scheduled for the earliest possible time the next day). All pitching, lineup, substitution rules for game extensions will be observed.
- There will be a coin toss at the Tournament Director's tent exactly 1 hour before the start of the game. The coin toss will be used to determine "home and away". The team that has traveled the furthest will be allowed to call the toss in the air. A tournament director, ADA, or DA will toss the coin. If a manager is not present they may send a Rostered coach to the coin toss. No other party may attend the coin toss. If a team does not have a representative at the coin toss, they will forfeit the toss, and the opposing team will get to select BOTH the dugout and the "home or away" status. If the coin toss is attended by both teams appropriately, the team losing the coin toss elects which dugout they want, and the team winning the coin toss can select "Home or away".
- Rosters/Lineups must be delivered to the official scorer on batting lineup forms. The Little League Form on the Little League Store website is acceptable as are most "store bought" forms available for baseball from most sporting goods stores. There must be at least three copies. 1) Copy goes to the umpire, 1) Copy goes to the official Scorer, 1) Copy goes to the opposing manager. ALL LINEUPS must be delivered to the official scorer NO LATER THAN 30 minutes prior to the start of the game.
- All catchers gear, bats and helmets must be lined up in front of the dugout 30 minutes prior to the start of the game. The umpires will inspect each bat, helmet, and catchers gear to ensure compliance with Little League safety standards and bat standards. Any equipment not meeting standard will be confiscated and held by the DA until the tournament is over for the team/player for which it was confiscated.
- No swing trainers, batting socks, donuts, or other similar articles may be on the field, in players bags, or used at any time during the tournament for any reason.
- Batting order will be standard rules batting (NO CBO). Substitutions must follow Little League Rules. Teams with less than 12 players **may not elect** the "DH" Rule.
- Teams can take the field for infield practices no sooner than 30 minutes prior to the game. There is a field directly west of the Diamonds that is large enough for several teams to "warm up". Each team will get 7 minutes of warm up time on the field immediately prior to the game. Please take care not to scuff chalk lines. Home team will be given the first opportunity for warmup on the field, followed by the visiting team.

- 5 minutes prior to the official start of the game, team managers, and optionally team captains must meet with the plate umpire staff to exchange lineups and review any rule changes, game expectations, or other information the umpire may elect to provide.
- Once the game begins, no players, coaches, or managers may leave the field for any reason except medical emergency, or safety issue (lightning as an example). All players must remain in the dugout when not playing on the field, or assisting with in-between inning warmups.
- One adult must remain in the dugout at all times. The adult must be a registered coach or manager for the team. See Green Book for the number of adults that can/must be assigned to a team based on player roster count.
- Dugout staff are responsible for keeping their own pitch counts and thresholds. However, at any time, the MANAGER may call time out, or check with the official score keeper between innings to verify pitch count. The official book and pitch counter have the count(s) of record and will be the official count. If a manager fails to observe pitching rules, they may face disqualification from the tournament.
- There are no “on-deck-circles” for batters for divisions Majors and below. There are also no “swing lines” for warm up during the game. Any player that is batting and outside of the dugout must have a batting helmet on.
- No parent may come into the dugout
- No player may talk to parties outside the dugout except those on the playing field
- Books, batting/lineups, or other coaches notes must be kept in the dugout
- No parties may communicate with anyone outside the dugout except those on the playing field.
- When going to the restrooms, players must ask permission and be escorted to and from the restrooms by a team parent. They may not have conversations with anyone during the trip out of the dugout.
- Once the play begins for a game, the umpire is the sole authority on the field. Judgement calls may not be protested (fair/foul, out/safe, ball/strike etc).
- Rule protests must be filed immediately with the Tournament Director. The protest committee is comprised of the ADA, DA, Umpire-in-Chief for the host league, and Tournament Director. They also have a direct phone line to call at Western Region if they elect to do so. Games will be suspended until all protests are resolved. Final resolution will be escalated to the highest point necessary for fairness and completeness of the game. Protests filed after the end of the game, unless the protest regards the other team, opposing fans, or other whose actions make a travesty of the game, will not be heard... (unless the protest falls on the last out of the game).
- Any manager not showing the appropriate field decorum and sportsmanship may be suspended for up to and including all the remaining games of the tournament. They will be required to leave the playing areas completely and leave the property.

- Managers and Presidents/Board members of the leagues at play must work with their fans to display good sportsmanship and support the players. Any fans not doing this will be asked to leave. If they become too disruptive, a nuisance, or general problem and do not leave... the game will be suspended until they are removed by the local law enforcement.
- At the end of the game, the managers must meet at the Tournament Director's tent to sign affidavits, pitch counts, etc.

Other important notes:

- At the beginning of each game, the players and coaching staff will assemble on their foul lines for the playing of the national anthem
- All uniforms must display the appropriate Little League Patches and insignia
- All managers/coaches must be in a complementary uniform that aligns with (doesn't have to be the same) as the player's uniform.
- Sponsors of District and State Tournament Uniforms are not allowed
- At the beginning of the first game for all divisions the players will be announced and line up on the foul lines prior to the playing of the national anthem
- The players will recite the Little League Pledge before their first game
- Any player not displaying good sportsmanship may be removed from the game
- Please get your rosters to the tournament director prior to June 15th so that they may make a "Program" if they so elect.
- Please get your rosters into the data center by June 5th so that the appropriate level of award may be obtained for the tournament (we need head counts for medals/pins/banners)
- Every player will receive a Little League Pin for playing in the tournament regardless of how they finish
- Awards will be given to each player that finished 3rd, 2nd, or 1st
- The winning team in each division will be given a tournament banner to bring to the State tournament
- All tournament winners will go on to their respective state tournaments. There will be a meeting for each division winner after their championship game to discuss preparations for State tournaments.

Tournament will be held at 29606 E Country Vista, Liberty Lake WA.
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