



Washington District 4 Little League

Dear fellow District Administrators:

Attached is the packet for the Junior League Softball State Tournament hosted by District 4. Please be sure to give this to the winning manager of your district tournament as soon as a winner is determined.

I would also ask that you check the bracket to see if your district is included in the bracket. If your team is included and has withdrawn, please let me know as soon as possible. Likewise, if you have a team planning to go to state, and your district is not listed, I need to know today.

Sincerely,

Mike Ray

District 4 Administrator



Washington District 4 Little League

Dear Little League Presidents, Managers, and Coaches:

Congratulations on representing your Little League and District at the Junior League Softball State Tournament. District Four is proud to host this tournament with Columbia Little League in Vancouver, Washington. Please review this packet carefully. It includes information unique to this tournament. Although you want to celebrate the victory with your team, the turnaround time to be ready for the state tournament is very short, so you need to read this packet immediately to ensure you do not miss any steps.

The following information will benefit your team in planning and respecting the home league that has put in so much time to host this event.

- ✓ Please email me the following at dist4da@gmail.com: your team's name, manager's name, phone number, and email right away, so I have someone to contact if anything changes or we need something from your team.
- ✓ Please email Dan Piovesan at columbiagsll@gmail.com the following: your team's photo and roster with numbers (use the attached form) for inclusion in the tournament program. Please review spellings (check them with the players if needed). Once the program is printed, we cannot correct a misspelling. Printing programs is time-consuming and expensive. **This information is due June 26th.**
- ✓ **A mandatory meeting of all managers will be held at 6:00 PM on June 30th at Real Life Church, 8100 E Mill Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA.**
- ✓ Opening Ceremonies will be held at 9:00 AM on July 1st at Columbia Little League. We want to encourage all teams to attend if possible.
- ✓ 1st game starts at 10:30 AM on July 1st, as shown in the attached bracket.
- ✓ You can follow the tournament progress when you cannot be at the tournament site at: www.district4wa.com.
- ✓ If, after reviewing this information, you still have questions about your participation in the state Junior Softball Tournament, please feel free to contact me by phone or text at 360-909-6573 or by email at dist4da@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Mike Ray

Tournament Director

District 4 Administrator

Tournament Notes

- ✓ A mandatory meeting of all managers will be held at 6:00 PM on June 30th at Real Life Church 8100 E Mill Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA.
 1. Bring your team affidavit, player verification packets, and other documentation required for team tournament participation (as listed in the tournament rules of the current Little League rule book. Please be sure your map is signed by the President and District Administrator and other documents requiring their signatures. Turn this over at the meeting.
 2. Documents will be reviewed and returned to you before your first game.
 3. Announcer sheets for phonetic pronunciations for each player will need to be filled out before each game. (We will provide this form) If you are unsure how to pronounce a player's name, please verify it with parents or players so that each player is announced correctly during the tournament.
 4. We will provide the tournament lineup sheets to be used by all teams for each tournament game.
 5. We will have district personnel (including umpires) and representatives of the host league to answer questions about tournament conduct, field specifics, and practice field availability. It will also be an opportunity for discussion among team managers.
- ✓ You are responsible for knowing the current year's Little League Softball Rules and Regulations, including all tournament rules.
- ✓ District Four will update its site at distrcit4wa.com daily. You can also look at tournament updates at <http://www.littleleaguewa.org>
- ✓ The tournament is under the direction of District Four, its District Administrator, and District Staff. Games will be played at Columbia Little League, located at 900 North Garrison Road.

Points of Emphasis

- ✓ Please review tournament rules regarding leaving the dugout, communication from outside the dugout, or fans outside the dugout. Parents may not bring food or drink into the dugout during the game (except for medical reasons). This must be cleared through tournament staff first.
- ✓ If desired, managers must keep lineups or scorecards (scorebooks) in the dugout. Managers or coaches cannot get assistance from someone maintaining lineups or scorebooks outside the dugout.
- ✓ Do not bring electronic devices onto the field or the dugouts. The exception is an electronic device to run a scorekeeping application, provided the external communication functions of the device are disabled (airplane mode).
- ✓ The rule book provides for appropriate coach and manager clothing. Managers and coaches who violate this rule will be restricted to the dugout for the game's entirety.

Game Day Events

- ✓ Managers should inspect their equipment to ensure it matches Little League regulations and is safe before each game.
- ✓ Pitchers will get one minute between innings to throw up to eight warm-up pitches. Please have a bench player equipped to accept pitches if the catcher is not ready. Any player warming up the pitcher must use a catcher's helmet. **Managers and Coaches MUST NOT warm up pitchers under any circumstances.**
- ✓ The manager will give all substitutions to the plate umpire. The plate umpire will give the substitutions to the official scorekeeper and the opposing team. Defensive substitutes may be announced as the substitute players take the field. Offensive substitutes can only be reported to the umpire as the player comes to bat. The player can give the change to the umpire.
- ✓ Home or visitor is determined by coin flip. The coin will be called in the air and must hit the ground or floor. The bottom of the bracket team calls the flip as it is being tossed. Managers shall meet with the tournament director 60 minutes before game time. At that time, managers will be requested to show their tournament book and submit lineups on the official lineup cards. Managers may make changes to the lineup at any time until it is presented to the umpire at the plate meeting and the umpire calls it official. If changes are made, managers should either let the tournament director know about the changes or ask the umpire to inform the official scorekeeper.
- ✓ When dugouts are made available and cleaned out of all equipment by the team in the preceding game, teams may enter the dugout. Anything made of glass is prohibited.
- ✓ Thirty minutes before game time, the visiting team will have 10 minutes for infield practice. The home team will follow with its 10 minutes of infield practice. When one team is taking infield practice, all players, managers, and coaches for the opposing team must be inside the dugout. If a player receives throws during infield practice, they must wear a catcher's helmet.
- ✓ Player introductions will be made for all players for both teams if one or both teams are making their first tournament appearance. Player introductions will again be made for one or both championship games.
- ✓ Following introductions, the National Anthem will be played for the day's first game, followed by the Little League Pledge. If no introductions are made, players will go to their respective foul lines for the National Anthem for the first game of the day, followed by Little League pledge, or for just the Little League pledge on games where the National Anthem is not played. For games after the first game of the day, the Little League pledge will be recited.
- ✓ Managers will then meet umpires at home plate while the players return to the dugouts. At the conclusion of the plate meeting, the umpires will signal the players to take the field.
- ✓ When a team is eliminated from the tournament, the winning team will line up on their respective foul line. The team leaving will be introduced as they receive tournament participation pins.
- ✓ Managers should report to the tournament director to verify pitchers used in the game. Failure to initial the affidavit within 30 minutes means the pitchers for the game are official as written. Managers will receive lineup sheets for the next game and have an opportunity to verify the time and field where the next game will be played.

Tournament Team Roster For The Program

League Name _____ Home City _____

Name

District Administrator _____

League President _____

Team Manager _____

Team Coach _____

Team Coach _____

Number

Player _____

Player _____

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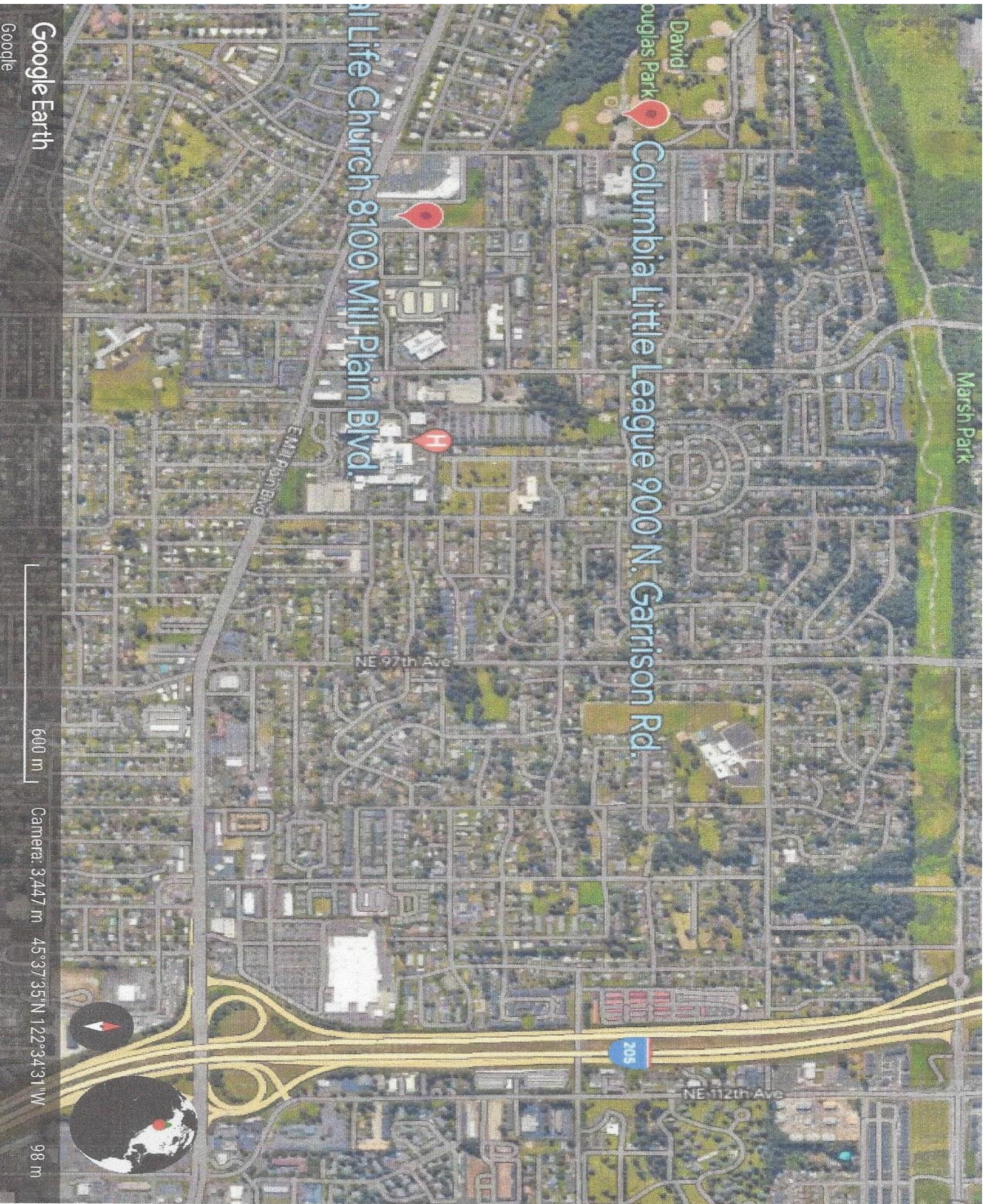
Player _____

***Please complete the form, scan or fill it out digitally, and email it to Dan Piovesan at:
columbiagsll@gmail.com.***

Tournament Hotel List

<u>Hotels</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Approximate Rates</u>
Hilton Hotel 301 W 6 th	360-993-4500	\$197.00 - \$251.00
Comfort Inns and Suites 401 E 13 th Street	360-696-0411	\$133.00 - \$177.00
Sonesta ES Suites 7301 NE 41 st Street	360-891-8282	\$260.00 – \$292.00
The Heathman Lodge 7801 NE Greenwood Drive,	360-254-3100	\$171.00 – \$219.00
Days Inn 9107 NE Vancouver Mall Dr.	360-253-5000	\$116.00 – \$139.00
Best Western Plus 9420 NE Vancouver Mall Dr.	360-256-0707	\$149.00 - \$223.00
My Place Hotel 8300 NE Vancouver Mall Loop	360-607-2332	\$145.00 - \$179.00
Holiday Inn Express 7205 NE 41 st St.	360-253-0500	\$170.00 - \$188.00
Residence Inn 411 SE 123 rd Ave.	360-892-4404	\$164.00 - \$194.00
Hampton Inns and Suites 315 SE Olympia Dr.	360-891-3000	\$189.00 - \$275.00
Double Tree Hotel 12712 SE 2 nd Circle	360-891-9777	\$168.00 - \$178.00
Best Western Premier 1500 SE 167 th Ave.	360-891-1000	\$166.00 - \$284.00
LaQuinta 1500 NE 134 th Street	888-312-2399	\$155.00 – 196.00

While this is not a complete list of hotels in Vancouver, it covers most hotels in good areas with activities, Restaurants, and Fast Food near the hotel. There are many other fine hotels in the Vancouver/Camas area. We do not encourage teams to stay in the Portland area due to traffic concerns getting across the bridges.



Junior Softball Washington State Tournament

Host: Washington District Four
Location: Columbia Little League
Approved: June 09, 2023



Little League

District #	League
District 1	
District 4	
District 6	
District 7	
District 8	
District 9	
District 10	

