



8/9/10 Year Old Baseball

2024 Pennsylvania State Tournament

July 22nd - July 28th

Hosted by Pennsylvania District 16/31 Little League

Back Mountain Little League

Dallas, Pennsylvania



District 16/31 Administrator and Tournament Director

Robert Bertoni

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Assistant Tournament Director

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District 16/31 Umpire-in-Chief

Dave Buchinski

District & Tournament Website:

www.padistrict16-31.com

Dear Manager,

If you are receiving this letter you made it to States! Congratulations to you, your players and coaches on your success to date and best of luck throughout the remainder of the tournament. Pennsylvania District 16/31 and Back Mountain Little League is looking forward to being your host and providing a memorable experience.

You'll find everything you need on our District website: www.padistrict16-31.com, including:

- Team Registration/Coaches Meeting Information
- Directions from area hotels to Back Mountain Little League
- Special Events Schedule
- Game Updates and Live Streaming Information

****the website will be updated regularly before and during tournament play so please check for updates****

Should have any questions with anything pertaining to the tournament, please do not hesitate to contact the Tournament Director, Assistant Tournament Director, or the Player Agent of Back Mountain Little League (contact information contained in this packet).

Teams will not be permitted to compete until their documentation has been submitted, verified, and approved (tournament affidavit, boundary map, residency documentation, coaching clearances, and necessary waivers). Please see your District Administrator immediately if you are unclear on any matters related to required documentation.

Pennsylvania District 16/31 and Back Mountain Little League strongly believe that all games are to be decided on the field by the players in accordance with the Little League Official Regulations and Playing Rules. In particular, rule XIV (a) – Field Decorum will be strictly enforced:

The actions of players, managers, coaches, umpires, and league officials must be above reproach. Any player, manager, coach, umpire, or league official 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 actions by the local league board of directors.

Unsportsmanlike conduct by players, managers, coaches, or fans from the opposing team to disrupt the play of any player, especially the pitcher, will not be tolerated and will be dealt with immediately. Managers are expected to control the behavior of their team and fans.

Thank You – HAVE FUN, PLAY HARD!

District 16/31

General Information

Contacts

District 16/31 Administrator and Tournament Director - **Robert Bertoni**

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Assistant Tournament Director – **Phil Schoener**

Cell Phone: 570-905-6902 Email: pschoener@hotmail.com

Assistant Tournament Director – **Susan Smith**

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District 16/31 Umpire-in-Chief – **Dave Buchinski**

Cell Phone: 570-262-5970 Email: eagles1buzz@gmail.com

Back Mountain Little League Player Agent – **Corry Hanson**

Cell Phone: 570-881-7259 Email: coach_hanson@hotmail.com

Tournament Liaisons

Each team is assigned a Back Mountain Little League Board Member who will help guide them throughout the week to help with anything they may need. Liaisons will reach out prior to your arrival to introduce themselves and answer any questions you may have.

Section 1: Brian Vinsko 570-817-9579 **Section 2:** Jerry Brodginiski 570-281-2288

Section 3: Jason Rinhimer 570-760-6560 **Section 4:** Kellie Cookus 570-328-4212

Section 5: Lou Spaciano 570-574-2062 **Section 6:** Heather Spudis 570-574-2860

Section 7: Mike Tribendis 570-991-2272 **Section 8:** Tom Bross 570-468-0893

Tournament Site

Back Mountain Little League

270 Church Street, Dallas, Pennsylvania 18612

Emergency/Medical Information

Commonwealth Health Wilkes-Barre General Hospital

575 N River St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18764 570-829-8111

Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center

1000 E Mountain Blvd, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711 570-808-7300

General Information

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Conduct

Gross misconduct will not be tolerated and will result in a strong recommendation to the Williamsport Tournament Committee for removal of the individual or team from the tournament.

Schedule

The tournament will be played on an eight (8) team double elimination basis.

Transportation

All teams will be responsible for their transportation to the tournament sites and return to their own league.

Accommodations

All teams will be responsible for obtaining their own sleeping arrangements. A list of accommodations in the area provided in this packet on page 10.

Uniforms and Equipment

Uniforms and equipment will be the responsibility of the participating teams. All equipment must be Little League specifications. Equipment will be inspected by the tournament umpires prior to each game. The host league will cooperate and assist with any problem concerning equipment.

Medical Release Affidavits

Each team will be required to have in their possession a Medical Release certificate for each player on their affidavit. The form shall have been signed by the player's parent or legal guardian.

Live Streaming

All games will be live streamed – information on accessing games will be posted on the district website – www.padistrict16-31.com.

Concessions

Back Mountain Little League will have a fully operational concession stand with a large assortment of food and beverages. Credit cards are accepted along with cash and VENMO. Additionally, food will be available for players after each game in an area near the concession stand.

Tournament T-Shirts

An online store will be posted on the district website to pre-order tournament t-shirts. A limited amount will also be available for purchase.

Registration/Affidavit Verification

Registration for the tournament will be held on Sunday July 21st – 4:00pm at the Back Mountain Little League Complex.

Each team will be required to present their official tournament affidavit, complete residency verifications, boundary map, copies of birth certificates, medical release forms, required waivers, and clearances for the manager and coaches. Documentation will be reviewed by District 16/31 staff.

Manager/Coaches Meeting

A mandatory meeting for all managers and coaches will be held on Sunday July 21st – 4:30pm at the Back Mountain Little League Complex.

Each team will be provided with additional information regarding the tournament logistics, rules, etc. Teams will also have the opportunity to schedule practice times for the week.

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony and player celebration will be held on Sunday July 21st – 5:30pm at the Irem Country Club, which is less than 5 minutes away from the tournament site. Your tournament liaison will provide you with additional details on purchasing tickets.

Tournament Rules

2024 Little League Tournament rules will apply as published by Little League Inc., along with regular season rules. Tournament rules supersede regular season rules.

All teams will submit their eligibility affidavits to the Tournament Director prior to the start of the tournament. The affidavit must be verified and signed immediately after each game.

The Tournament Director and staff reserve the right to adjust game dates and starting time due to inclement weather or unforeseen issues.

The team manager is responsible for uniforms and equipment (equipment will be checked by the Umpire-in-Chief prior to each game). Players must be uniform with the Little League approved patch. Managers and coaches shall dress neatly.

Only the manager, two (2) coaches, and players listed on the official tournament eligibility affidavit are permitted in the dugout or on the playing field.

No jewelry will be allowed on the playing field regardless of the material. This includes earrings, necklaces, rings, and watches. Medical Alert items ARE PERMITTED.

NO TOBACCO OF ANY KIND is permitted at the complex.

All game balls will be supplied by Back Mountain Little League.

Batting cages will be available for both teams two (2) hours prior to each game time. Practice fields will also be available in between games for teams.

The home team for each game will be determined by the toss of a coin at the Coaches Meeting prior to the start of the tournament.

The home team for each game will have 15 minutes of fielding practice 60 minutes prior to the start time of the game. The visiting team will have 15 minutes of fielding practice 45 minutes prior to the start time of the game. These times may be adjusted, and warmups may or may not be on the game field.

Teams listed at the top of the bracket will be in the first base dugout/teams listed at the bottom of the bracket will be in the third base dugout.

Players, managers, and coaches that become involved in any misconduct, on or off the field, may be dismissed from the tournament.

Both teams will line up as directed by the Tournament Director when introduced and remain there for the National Anthem and Little League Pledge.

Both teams will meet at the home plate area immediately at the end of the game and shake hands.

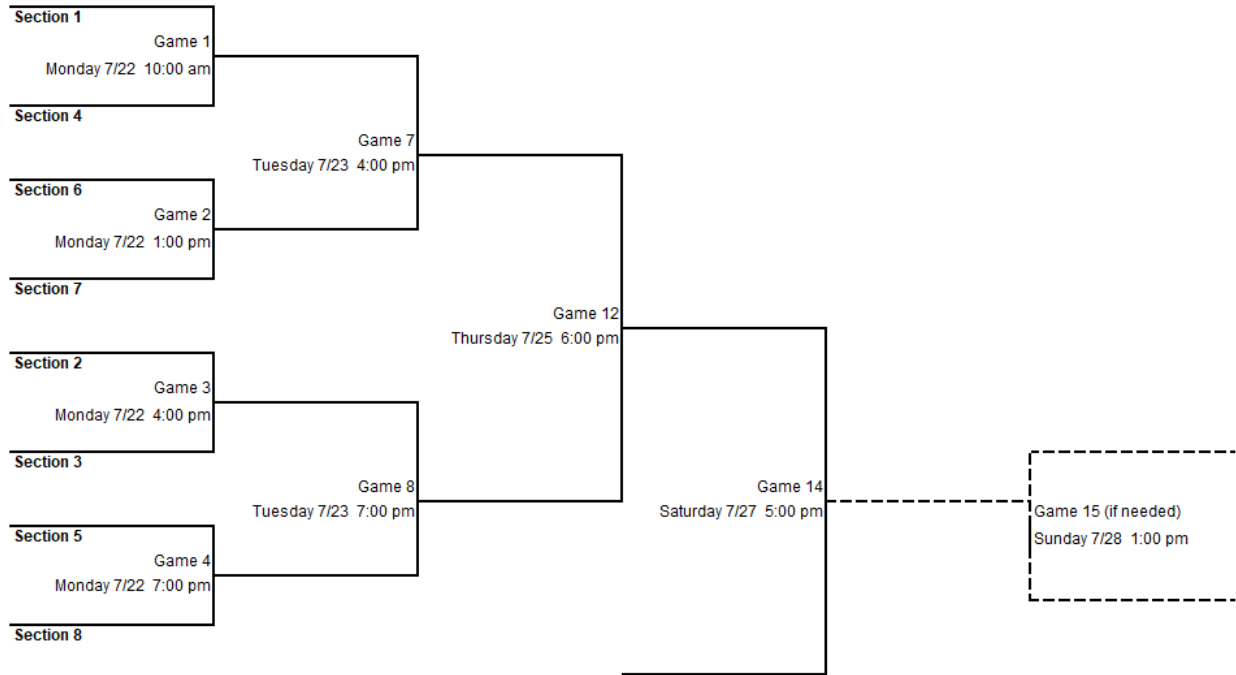
Each player, manager, and coach will be given an official State Tournament Pin courtesy of the host league. At the conclusion of the tournament, the winning team will be awarded a State Championship Flag.

Tournament Activity Schedule

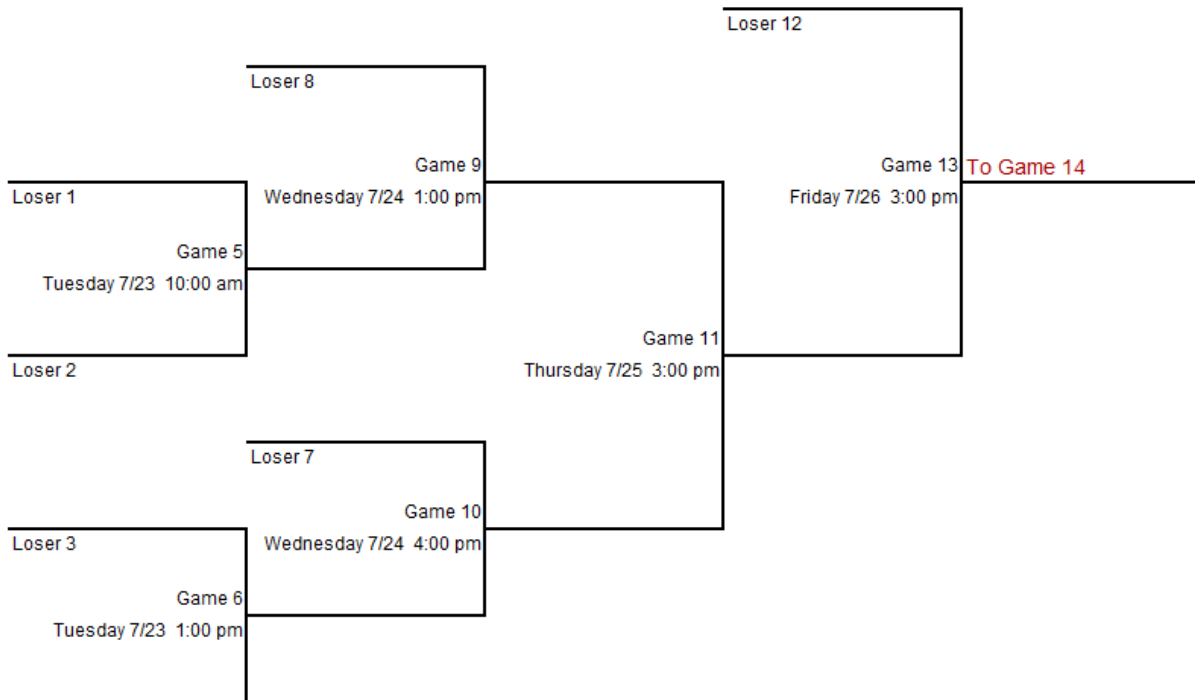
Thursday	July 18th	Section Champions - Team Information Due	Email to info@bmtll.com
Sunday	July 21st	Team Registration	4:00 PM
		Coaches Meeting	5:00 PM
		Opening Ceremony	5:30 PM
Monday	July 22nd	Game #1	10:00 AM
		Game #2	1:00 PM
		Game #3	4:00 PM
		Game #4	7:00 PM
Tuesday	July 23rd	Game #5	10:00 AM
		Game #6	1:00 PM
		Game #7	4:00 PM
		Game #8	7:00 PM
Wednesday	July 24th	Game #9	1:00 PM
		Game #10	4:00 PM
Thursday	July 25th	Game#11	3:00 PM
		Game#12	6:00 PM
Friday	July 26th	Game #13	3:00 PM
Saturday	27-Jul	Game #14	5:00 PM
Sunday	July 28th	Game #15 (if necessary)	1:00 PM

2024 Pennsylvania State 8/9/10 Year Old Little League Baseball Tournament Bracket

Winner's Bracket



Loser's Bracket



Accommodations

*Designates hotels with blocked rooms and special rates with anticipation of more to come.

Check out www.padistrict16-31.com for updates

***Home 2 Suites by Hilton**

872 Schechter Dr.

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-821-0777

***Courtyard by Marriott**

879 Schechter Dr.

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-235-6700

***Holiday Inn Express / IHG Hotel**

1063 PA 315

Wilkes-Barre PA 18702

570-825-3838

***Motel 6**

884 Schechter Dr.

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-826-0300

Woodspring Suites

350 Bear Creek Blvd

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-371-0310

Hampton Inn & Suites

876 Schechter Dr.

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-824-1005

Residence Inn by Marriott

501 Liberty Plaza

Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702

570-829-0100

Area Attractions and Things to Do

Informational Websites

<https://discovernepa.com/regions/valley-communities/back-mountain/>

<https://www.visitluzernecounty.com/>

Sports

Scranton Wilkes-Barre Railriders (<https://www.milb.com/scranton-wb>)

Outdoor Activities

Lands at Hillside Farms - 65 Hillside Rd, Shavertown, PA 18708

Rickett's Glen State Park - 695 PA-487, Benton, PA 17814

Francis Slocum State Park - 565 Mt Olivet Rd, Wyoming, PA 18644

Pike's Creek Raceway and Mini Golf - 2542 PA-118, Hunlock Creek, PA 18621

Indoor Activities

Back Mountain Bowl - 3555 Memorial Hwy, Dallas, PA 18612

Chacko's Family Bowling - 195 North Wilkes-Barre Blvd, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Sky Zone Trampoline Park - 195 Enterprise Way, Pittston, PA 18640

Nova Trampoline Park - 1080 Wyoming Ave, Wyoming, PA 18644

Dave and Buster's - 6000 Shoppes Blvd, Moosic, PA 18507

Places to Eat Near Back Mountain Little League

Red Leaf Salad Company

J&J Deli

Ill Guys

Grotto Pizza

Jersey Mike's Subs

Tomasino's Italian Restaurant

CK's Cantina & Grill

Leggio's Italian Restaurant

Burrito Loco Mexican Grill

Pizza Bella

North Slope Pub and Eatery