

Little League Baseball, Inc.
United States Eastern Region

State of Pennsylvania
Association of
District Administrators



Presents the

2024 Junior League Baseball
PENNSYLVANIA SECTION 8
CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

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Host: PA Section: **8** District: **27**

Site: **Chester Valley Little League**

Tournament Dates: June 30th– July 4th, 2024

Web Site –

<https://www.facebook.com/Pennsylvania-Little-League-Section-8-108029368147164>

Distribution:

Section 8 District Administrators (electronic)

PA State Coordinator (electronic)

Eastern Region Headquarters (electronic)

PA State Tournament Host District Administrator (electronic)

Dear Manager,

Congratulations to you, your coaches, and players on winning your District Championship for the Little League Softball Division. PA District 27 and Chester Valley Little League looks forward to hosting you in the PA Section 8 Tournament.

Enclosed are:

1. Team Manager – Communication Form

Please contact me as soon as possible via e-mail (Jeff Bennett)—my email is jeffbennett.d27@gmail.com. Please forward the contact information to me as soon as you can.

2. PA Section 8 Tournament Schedule (as approved by the Section 8 DAs)

**3. PA Section 8 Tournament Bracket (as approved by the Section 8 DAs)
Chester Valley LL.**

If you have any questions concerning this packet of information or how this tournament will be conducted, please do not hesitate to call me.

The PA Section 8 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 District Administrator immediately if you are unclear on any matters relating to the required documentation.

PA Section 8 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:

- (a) 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 Section 8 expects the manager and coaches to control their fans.**

Thank you.

Jeff Bennett

PA District 27 District Administrator (incoming)

TEAM MANAGER - COMMUNICATION

For your information, results and scores of all games during this tournament will be posted on the PA District 27 website that can be located at: <https://www.facebook.com/Pennsylvania-Little-League-Section-8-108029368147164>
Please complete the following information and e-mail to me at bobherman0818@gmail.com. **I must have this information at least 2 days prior to your arrival at the field.**

LEAGUE NAME: _____

PROGRAM (CIRCLE ONE): BASEBALL / GIRLS SOFTBALL

DIVISION (CIRCLE ONE): 8-10 10-11 LL JR SR

DISTRICT (CIRCLE ONE): 19 21 22 27

MANAGER'S NAME: _____

E-MAIL: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____

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 #: _____

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
Jeff Bennett
PA District 27 District Administrator (incoming)

NOTE:
This schedule is subject to change. The Pennsylvania State Tournament is scheduled to begin on July 10th , hosted by Section 3, District 15 at Athens Little League-- 3rdStreet Athens, PA 18810.

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JR BASEBALL SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT GAME SCHEDULE:

ALL GAMES AT CHESTER VALLEY LL MONUMENT AVE FIELDS

EMAIL: chestervalleylittleleague@gmail.com

G #	Day	Date	Time	Teams & Scores		
1	Sun	30-Jun-2024	5:00 PM	District 21	vs	District 27
2	Mon	1-Jul-2024	5:30 PM	District 22	vs	WG-1
3	Tue	2-Jul-2024	5:30 PM	LG-1	vs	LG-2
4	Wed	3-Jul-2024	5:30 PM	WG-2	vs	WG-3
5	Thu	4-Jul-2024	10:00 AM	WG-4	vs	If Necessary
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JR BASEBALL SECTIONAL BRACKET

	District 22				
	#N/A		WG-2		
District 21					
#N/A	WG-1	#N/A	WG-4		
District 27					
	LG-2				
	#N/A	WG-3	#N/A	Champion	
	LG-1				
			If Necessary		

Pennsylvania Section 8

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 40 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.

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

3.5 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 !!!

3.6 Only one (1) **offensive time out** will be permitted per inning.

3.7 See the tournament Rule book for **substitutions** and **pitch runners, pitching rules**

3.8 **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.

3.9 **Profanity or throwing of equipment** will not be tolerated and are grounds for ejection from the game without warning.

3.10 Both base coaches (players or adults) must remain in the coach's box. Failure to do so is grounds for ejection.

3.11 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.

3.12 If a defensive player has the ball waiting to make a tag the base runner **must slide or try to avoid** contact.

3.13 **On Deck Batter** is not permitted **at the 9 thru 12 Year Old Levels of play**.

3.14 Base runner who **slides head first** while moving forward will be declared out at the **9 thru 12 Year Old Levels of play**.

3.15 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.

3.16 Communication from the press box is limited to announcing players as they take position in the batters 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.

3.17 At the top of the 4th 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.