



2023 Early Bird Tournament (Homerun Edition)

9U, 11U – April 22-23

8U(CP), 10U, 12U – May 6-7

Homerun edition: players hitting a homerun in the Early Bird Tournament will receive a Home Run tee shirt! 8U will participate in a HR Derby.

2023 Dave D Memorial Tournament

10U, 12U – June 10-11

8U(CP), 9U, 11U - June 17-18

Thank you for considering our tournament. Our commitment is that your coaches and players will enjoy the experience and will be excited to return the following years!

Tournament Details

Entry fee is \$400 per team, \$325 for 8U. Includes umpires, game balls, and trophies for 1st & 2nd place. No gate charge. 50% off 2nd tournament if entering both tournaments.

Concessions available on site. Games played at 4007 Wyoga Lake Rd, Cuyahoga Falls.

Registration can be completed online [here](#). If unable to access, please simply send an email to bryanrush75@sbcglobal.net to register.

Payments sent/payable to:

CFLLN

408 Middlestone Way, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223

Credit card payments can be made at CFLLN.net – use the “donate” button

Details:

- This tournament is **community based**.
- This is an **open bats** tournament.
- Teams must provide their own **insurance**.
- Birth date cut off is player’s age on April 30th.
- **Birth certificates** must be available in the event of a protest. If a manager cannot produce a player’s BC upon request, the team will forfeit that game and player will remain ineligible until a BC is produced. Pictures are acceptable, as long as they are legible. Any illegible copies will be considered unacceptable.
- Little League Rules will apply, except where noted differently below.
- Players’ jerseys do not have to be identical but must have a number.
- Weather Cancellation Policy:
 - 0 games played = Full Refund
 - 1 game played = \$150 refund (8U \$100)
 - 2 games played = Tournament considered complete.
- Refund Policy if team backs out prior to tournament: 100% refund if prior to April 1st for Early Bird, June 1st for Dave D .

Age	Base Distance	Pitching Distance	Stealing ¹ / Lead-offs	Uncaught 3 rd Strike Applies	Balk
8U CP	60 ft	n/a	No / No	No	No
9U	60 ft	46 ft	Yes / No	No	No
10U	60 ft	46 ft	Yes / No	No	No
11U	60 ft	46 ft	Yes / No	Yes	No
12U	70 ft	50 ft	Yes / Yes	Yes	Yes

1. Stealing (9U-11U) is permitted after the “pitch reaches the batter”

Tournament Structure:

1. Tournament Director: Bryan Rush (330) 571-0763; bryanrush75@sbcglobal.net
2. All teams must be ready to begin play 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.
3. Teams may play with a minimum of 7 players, maximum of 14. If a player shows after first pitch, he may enter the game, but must be added to the bottom of the batting order.
4. Home/Visitor by coin flip in pool play. In bracket play, the higher seed is the Home team.
5. Home team is the official scorer. Scorekeepers need to confirm score every inning.
6. Winning team must report final score to the Tournament Director (text to 330-571-0763).
7. Warmups are permitted in the outfield and foul territory only.
8. No hit sticks outside of the fences. All kids with a bat must have a helmet on.
9. Time limits are as follows:
 - Pool games will have a 1 hour 45 minutes time limit. No inning shall start after 1 hour 45 minutes. Once started, the inning must finish. New innings starts when the last out is made of the previous inning. Pool games can end in a tie.
 - Playoff (bracket) games: 1 hour 45 minutes time limit. No inning shall start after 1 hour 45 minutes. Once started, the inning must finish. New innings starts when the last out is made of the previous inning. If a tie after 1 hour 45 minutes, or 6 innings, whichever comes first, a shootout will start. Shootout innings will start with the last batter on 2nd base and a count of 3 balls and 2 strikes for each batter.
 - Championship game will not have a time limit.
10. Pool play consists of 2 games. Pool record will determine seeding.
11. Bracket seeding will be determined in this order:
 - W-L record
 - Head-to-Head
 - Highest run differential (Max of 10 per game)
 - and if still needed, a Coin Flip
12. Any player, Coach, or Fan ejected from the game will NOT be permitted to be present at the team's next game. This is non-negotiable. If player, Coach, or Fan is found on premise after being ejected, then that team will be forced to forfeit that game.

Pitching Restrictions:

3 innings per game. 6 innings per day. 9 innings per tournament.

1. Pitcher may return to the mound during a game if he has not pitched his 3 innings.
2. Balks only in play for 12U.
3. One pitch in an inning = 1 inning pitched. (no 1/3 innings).
4. Manager/Coach must initial opposing teams Pitcher's log - which must indicate who pitched and number of innings pitched.
5. Pitcher must be removed if he hits 3 batters.
6. Manager/Coach mound visits allowed. 1 per inning, if 2, then pitcher must be removed.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the tournament director.

Rules of Play:

1. Little League Rules will apply, except where noted differently.
2. 9U – 11U will be played 46/60 pitching and base distances.
3. Maximum of 14 on roster
4. Continuous batting order.
5. Minimum Playing Time: 2 defensive innings/game, unless game is ended due to mercy rule.
6. Pitchers: 3 innings/game, 6/day, 9/tournament.
7. Courtesy runner for catcher is allowed with 2 outs. Runner must be the last player that was “out”.
8. Dropped 3rd strike will be in effect for 11U and 12U. No dropped 3rd strike for 8U, 9U & 10U.
9. No leadoff/stealing until the ball reaches the plate in 46/60 dimension games.
10. If player leaves early: 1st offense = Team warning. 2nd = runner is out.
11. Base runners can score on passed ball/Wild pitch (except for 8U).
12. Bat Restrictions: all bats are acceptable.
13. No run limit per inning in 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U and 13U. 8U is 5 runs per inning.
14. **Mercy Rule:** 15 runs after 3 innings; 10 after 4.
15. Player Injury: If a player is injured and unable to bat the remainder of the game, then he will be skipped in the batting order without being considered an out.
16. Protest Fee: \$100 cash, paid at time of protest. Protest must be filed prior to next pitch.
17. Tournament Director will be judge of final decision. If Tournament Director is unavailable, then succession will be as follows: CFLLN LL President, VP, or Field Manager.
18. In case of rain shortened game: Games deemed official after 2 ½ innings of play, if home team winning, 3 innings if home team losing. Tie is an option in pool play in this scenario.
19. Bracket play is single elimination.

8U Modified Rules of Play:

1. Each batter will receive 6 pitches. If the final pitch is fouled off, they will receive another pitch until either put in play or no contact is made
2. Bunts or checked swings will be counted as a foul ball (batter must swing through)
3. 10 fielders permitted. 4 outfielders required (unless less than 10 players); outfielders must be in the grass.
4. While in possession of the ball in the infield, infielders may call “time”, stopping base running. Runners will advance to the next base if more than halfway. If the lead runner is not halfway, following runners can be “pushed back” when applicable
5. Both the coach pitcher and player pitcher must have both feet in the circle when the pitch is completed. The player cannot leave the circle until the ball is hit
6. Pitcher contact: accidental – replay the pitch with the same count. Intentional (umpire’s decision) – batter is out and the play is dead.
7. A maximum of 5 runs per inning will be scored.
8. 3 offensive coaches are permitted: pitcher, 1st and 3rd base. All defensive coaches must be in the dugout with the gate closed.

Please bring the following 3 documents with you to the Tournament. Turn in before your first game.

Waiver Form

CFLLN Baseball Tournament

TEAM NAME: _____

DIVISION: _____

MANAGER/COACH NAMES:

MANAGER PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND BEFORE SIGNING: I understand that participation in the CFLLN Baseball Tournament events and activities involves risks and dangers of serious and permanent bodily injury and death. I hereby release, hold harmless, discharge and agree not to sue the members of the CFLLN Little League and affiliates, including, but not limited to its managers, coaches, volunteers, and associates connected with the tournament or events for all liability from participation in the CFLLN Baseball Tournament, and all tournament related travel and activities. In addition, I do hereby state that I, and my player's parents/guardians, have our own method of payment for any injuries incurred during participation in the event. I do have an individual team insurance policy which covers my players/team members/families in case of harm or injury.

I agree to hold the volunteers associated with the CFLLN Baseball Tournament Harmless in Law and Equity for all claims arising out of any injury associated with this tournament or inherent within the risks of playing baseball. By signing below, I understand that I am waiving all rights of mine, my coaches, players, parents, and affiliates, to make any claims for damages or injury even if it is determined that such injury was caused by an umpire, manager, coach, volunteer, representative, heir, assign or anyone whatsoever who may be affiliated with The CFLLN Baseball Tournament in any capacity.

Manager's Printed Name: _____ M.I.: _____ Last Name: _____

Manager's Signature: _____

Date: _____

*Must bring your current insurance form.

