

2011 Parkrose Little League (PRL) By Laws

Fundraiser

All players are expected to participate in PRL fundraising efforts. A player may “opt out” of the fundraiser by paying a \$35.00 fee, due at the time of registration. No player will receive a uniform until their fundraising fee is paid.

Concessions

The home team will be responsible for operation of the concession stand on game day. Responsibilities include picking up the cash box from the Concession Representative, opening the stand up before the game, operating the stand during the game and cleaning and closing the stand following the game. Each player’s family will be required to donate time in the concession stand during the course of the season. The team Manager will be required to select a Concession Volunteer who will coordinate the parent volunteer schedule for the year.

Equipment

At the end of the regular season, the team Manager is responsible for cleaning and inspecting all of the equipment provided by the League. On Saturday, June 12th, the League Equipment Manager will be present at Burnside Field to receive all league provided gear. RETURN OF EQUIPMENT ON THIS DAY IS MANDATORY. If the Manager cannot be present on that day, they will assign a representative to turn in the gear for them. If equipment is not turned in on June 12th, the Manager will be invoiced the replacement cost of new equipment, and may not be eligible to manage the following season.

Uniforms

All uniforms issued to PRL players remain the property of the League. The players in all divisions may keep the hats provided by the League. In addition, players in the T-Ball division will be allowed to keep t-shirts provided by the League.

On Saturday, June 12th, the Board Member in charge of uniforms will be present at Burnside Field so that all uniforms can be returned and inventoried. RETURN OF UNIFORMS ON THIS DAY IS MANDATORY. If the Manager cannot be present on that day, they will assign a representative to turn in the uniforms for them.

Player Registration

On the final scheduled sign-up date, all registered players will be placed on teams within their respective division. Late registrations will be considered only if space is available within the division requested. Once the team rosters are filled with the required number of players, registration for that division will be closed.

Junior Division

- The Junior Division will consist of players that are league age thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) years old.
- Players in the Junior Division will be selected using Draft Plan A from the Little League Operating Manual.
- Rules of play will be those of Little League Baseball Inc., and District 1 Interlocking Rules.

Major Division

- The Major Division will consist of players that are league age eleven (11) and twelve (12) years old.
- A ten (10) year old may be considered for placement in the Major Division in the event that: (1) all of the eligible eleven (11) and twelve (12) year olds have been drafted to a Major team; and (2) space is available, which will be determined prior to the draft.
- Exceptions to eleven year olds playing in the Major Division: (1) Any player who is deemed a safety risk; or (2) If a parent or guardian requests an exception in writing to allow the player to remain in the Minor Division. (This document must be submitted to the Player Agent prior to the draft.)
- If there are safety concerns with an eleven (11) year old player, the Player Agent, Vice President of respective the division and the Safety Officer shall be notified immediately. This notification must be made prior to the draft.
- Players in the Major Division are selected using Draft Plan A from the Little League Operating Manual.
- Each Major Division team will consist of a maximum of twelve (12) players.
- If a team loses a player after the rosters have been filled, the team Manager shall notify the Player Agent immediately. The Manager will then have seven (7) days to select a player from the Minor Division. It is PRL policy that if a Minor Division player declines a request to move up to the Major Division the first time they are asked, that player must stay in the Minor Division for the remainder of the season.
- Rules of play will be those of Little League Baseball Inc., and District 1 Interlocking Rules.

Minor Division

- The Minor Division will consist of players that are league age nine (9) and ten (10) years old.
- An eleven (11) year old player who is determined to be a safety risk in the Major Division, or whose parent or guardian has petitioned in writing for them to remain in the Minor Division, will also be allowed to play in the Minor Division.
- Once all eligible nine (9), ten (10) and eleven (11) year olds have been drafted to a team, an eight (8) year old may be considered for placement on a Minor Division team. This will only be allowed if the additional player is needed to even out the number of players on a team.

Minor Division(continued)

- If there are safety concerns with a player in the Minor Division, the Player Agent, Vice President of the respective division and the Safety Officer shall be notified immediately. This notification must be made prior to the draft.
- Players in the Minor Division are selected using Draft Plan A from the Little League Operating Manual.
- Each Minor Division team will consist of a maximum of thirteen (13) players.
- Rules of play will be those of Little League Baseball Inc., and District 1 Interlocking Rules.

Farm Division

- The Farm Division will consist of players with a league age of seven (7) and eight (8) years old.
- Exceptions: (1) A nine (9) year old player that is deemed a safety risk for the Minor Division; or (2) a nine (9) year old player whose parent or guardian have requested that the player remain in farms.
- Six (6) year olds will not be permitted to play in the Farm Division, regardless of prior experience or ability.
- Players will be assigned to teams by the Player Agent, Vice President of the respective division and President, based on experience and age.
- Each Farm Division team will consist of a maximum of thirteen (13) players.
- Rules of play will be those of Little League Baseball Inc., and, if applicable, District 1 Interlocking Rules.

T-Ball

- The T-Ball program will consist of players with a league age five (5) or six (6) years old.
- Players will be assigned to teams by the Player Agent, Vice President of Baseball and President.
- Each T-Ball team will consist of a maximum of ten (10) players.

Field Preparation and Maintenance

- The home team is responsible for preparing the field for play before a game.
- The visiting team is responsible for tearing the field down after the game. These duties include filling in the holes in the batter's box, catcher's box and mound, dragging / raking the infield and making sure all buildings, enclosures and gates are locked.
- If the home team is hosting a team from another league, the home team shall be required to prepare and tear down the field. If a PRL team is hosting a team from another league at Burnside Field, the team Manager or a team representative must open up the entrance gate and gates to the field a minimum of one hour prior to game time.

Field Preparation and Maintenance (continued)

- If wet conditions exist, both the home and the visiting teams are responsible for working on the field to improve it to a playable condition. This is the case before a game begins and during a delayed game.

Umpires

- The home team shall be responsible for securing a plate umpire for the game. The visiting team shall be responsible for supplying a base umpire. (The base umpire is optional.)
- All team Managers and coaches are required to volunteer to umpire games for other PRLI teams during the regular season. If a Manager or coach cannot fulfill this duty, they shall appoint a reasonably qualified representative to officiate for them.

All Star Team Selection

All the All Star teams (with the exception of a *10/11 year old team) will be selected using the following protocol:

- All players will vote for six (6) players via a secret ballot that will include the names of all eligible players. This ballot / list will be provided by the Player Agent.
- The sealed ballots will be returned to the Player Agent, who will then count the votes with the President. If the President is unable to be involved in this process, the Vice President of the respective division may serve as a substitute.
- The six (6) eligible players that receive the most votes will be announced to the regular season managers at a closed meeting. The results of the player's votes will be considered a strong recommendation for the regular season managers to use in their discussion and evaluation of potential All Star candidates during the selection process. The team managers have the ability to override any of the players selected by this vote if they unanimously determine that the selection is unreasonable.
- The regular season managers will select the first eleven (11) players for each All Star Team from the list of eligible players.
- The twelfth player shall be selected by the All Star Manager.
- The All Star Manager and coaches will have the final decision in the selection of any additional players.

The 10/11 All Star Team will be selected by a vote from the regular season managers and coaches using a list of remaining eligible players.

All Star Manager

The All Star Manager shall be appointed by a selection committee comprised of the following: President (non-voting), Vice President of the respective division, Player Agent and three (3) additional league members that will be selected and approved by the Board of Directors. A spouse of a candidate for All Star Manager will not be allowed to participate on the selection committee.

In order to be considered, candidates for All Star Manager must submit a Letter of Intent to the President no later than May 31st.

The candidates will be evaluated using the following selection criteria:

1. Sportsmanship
2. Ability to manage and motivate players.
3. Knowledge of strategy, skills and rules.
4. Current regular season win-loss record.

Even though no single factor will be considered more or less important than another, a candidate may not be considered to manage or coach an All Star team if they have had formal complaints lodged against them during the regular season. This decision will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Once the committee selects the All Star Manager, the potential selection will be presented to the Board of Directors for final approval. All of the All Star Manager candidates shall be called before the conclusion of the Board Meeting. The President shall contact the candidates that were NOT selected prior to contacting the person that has been selected to be the All Star Team Manager.

Board approval will not be required for the coach(es) selected by the All Star Manager. However, per Little League regulations, all All Star Team coaches must have managed or coached a PRL team during the regular season to be eligible.