

Welcome Tournament Teams and Congratulations

**Welcome to Olathe, Kansas, host City/Olathe Youth Baseball Inc.
10 year old USSSA AAA State Tournament.
Tentative Scheduled for June 24 - 27, 2011
Prairie Center North Complex, 550 N. Olathe View Rd.
Check our web-site under "Location" www.olatheyouthbaseball.com**

Enclosed you'll find some rules you should be aware of, and general information. All tournament rules are covered in the Official USSSA Baseball National Bylaws and Rules, Edition Dated: April 13, 2010 if you do not have a copy, you can access it on-line at www.usssabaseball.org.

We are excited that your team is participating and we hope you will find Olathe and the Tournament enjoyable.

This is a USSSA State Tournament, and therefore you must submit a USSSA Membership Number, and a copy of your team USSSA Roster Form completed and signed by a parent and/or guardian for each player to the Tournament Director (prior to your first game.)

Managers must check in at least one hour before each scheduled game.

<p>All teams are required to pay a Team Gate Fee of \$200.00 This will take care of gate fees to the tournament, for all Coaches, Player's, Parents, and etc. "This fee must be paid prior to the tournament". Send check to OYBI 885 S. Parker, Olathe, Ks. 66061</p>

<p>Weather information/field conditions, Hotline - 913-643-3131 (Staff will try to have updates 2 hours before game time)</p>
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Rules Overview: Reference Official USSSA Baseball National Bylaws and Rules. Edition Date: April 13, 2010

**In Pool Play, a "flip of the coin" before each game will determine Home Team, the Home Team will use 1st Base Dugout.
In Bracket Play, the Highest Seeded team will be Home Team.**

The Championship Game will use the COIN FLIP.

We ask that both team's scorekeepers sit directly behind home plate. There they will find score tables provided, Home Team scorekeeper is the Official Bookkeeper and will work directly along with the Home Plate Umpire.

**Game lengths shall be 6 innings for 10 yr. age group.
Time Limit 1 hour and 45 minutes.**

**Game Time should be noted, by the Umpires and both Managers
No time limit on the Championship Game.**

**Mercy Rules (USSSA) for 10 year olds,
15 runs after 3 innings 8 or more runs at the end of the 4th inning.
In enforcing any part of this rule, the Home Team shall not bat if they are winning and the mercy requirement is met prior to the bottom half of the listed start inning. The Home Team will cease batting at that moment and the game will end. There shall be NO TIE Games.**

**Rule 8.03.C - If a game is called due to rain, weather, light failure or other acts of God and cannot be resumed it is a regulation game if:
For a six (6) inning game, if three (3) innings have been completed or if the Home Team has scored more runs in two (2) innings or two and one half (2 ½) innings than the Visitors has scored in three (3) complete or if the Home Team scores one (1) or more runs in its half (1/2) of the third (3rd) inning to tie the score. Games that cannot be declared a regulation game shall be a suspended game.**

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Whenever a tag play is evident, runners must slide or seek to avoid contact with the fielder.

Courtesy runners may be used anytime for the team at bat for the current pitcher and catcher.

Metal Spikes are Prohibited: In the 10 age group.

An intentional walk may take place by announcement from either the catcher or pitcher.

For Pitching Limitations, Rule 8.05 - 8.05C - 8.05C1, page 11
USSSA Rules Book for reference or Tournament Director.

Each Manager will pick-up a Pitching Chart prior to the game and will return such chart after the game to the Tournament Director/Staff,
Failure to do so could effect a Pitching Protest.

For cumulative totals, 1 out equals one third of an inning -

Concerning Balks, in all ages 9 & 10, pitchers should be allowed some leniency in regards to Balks.

**Rule 11.00 - Sportsmanship & Ejections
Disorderly Conduct Will Be Taken Seriously**

Any ejected Manager/Coach/Player shall leave the ball field immediately remaining no closer to the playing field than the parking lot and shall cease all coaching duties (out of sight and sound).

Anyone (including spectators) ejected will be asked to leave the park. Any Manager/Coach/Player or Spectator ejected, additional penalties may be assessed at the discretion of the League/Tournament Director. As these rules indicate, the matter of disorderly conduct will not be tolerated by the Tournament Staff.

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Field Location:

**Prairie Center North Annex (Fields 5-6-7-8) 555 N. Olathe View Rd.
Click on "Location" on our web-site.**

Parking - Bleacher Seats - Concessions - and Restrooms are provided.

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We will begin the tournament on Friday June 24th at 6:00pm & 8:15pm

**Saturday - Starting 10am and running thru 8:15pm (with an afternoon
break) TBA >**

**Sunday - Starting 10am and finishing with the Championship game (with
an afternoon break) TBA.**

Sam Messer will have the brackets set prior to the tournament.

**Note: The Seeding of Teams and Tournament Brackets are Approved by
Wally Fortuna, USSSA State Kansas Director, prior to the Tournament.**