

## 2017 SAYSI Youth Baseball Tournament Rules

### 13 and 14 & Under Baseball

Game Length: 7 innings

Time Limit: 1 hour and 40 minutes

Pitching and Base Distance: 54' pitching and 80' bases

Run Rules: Effective 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 7 runs after 5 innings.

- **Half innings will be 3 outs or 8 runs per inning, which includes the last inning of the game.**

General:

- The ball is live on a dropped third strike, unless first base is occupied.
- If it is decided to intentionally walk a batter, the player will be sent to first base without a pitch being thrown.
- Home team is determined by Coin Flip.
- Home team is to provide scorekeepers.
- Each team will provide two baseballs for play.
- Courtesy runners are only allowed for an injured player or for a catcher with 2 outs in the inning.
- **Metal cleats are allowed, however they are \*NOT allowed to be worn on the portable mounds by the pitchers. \*\* Pitchers should wear tennis shoes or molded plastic cleats.\***
- All players on the roster must be in the batting line-up if they are present and able to play. Each player must also be played in the field at some point on or before the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning.
- **The winning team must report the scores to the Tournament Director (Chris Lauck @ 785-342-3571)**
- **Game MVP and Sportsmanship Medals will be handed out at Check in. Don't forget to pick them up before your games start.**

**Pitch Counts: A pitcher is NOT allowed to start in back to back games. We encourage coaches to monitor the amount of pitches a player throws to avoid any injury/fatigue.**

- In the SAYSI tournament ALL kids should play an equal amount of time if possible.

### **Individual Game Medals – MVP and Sportsmanship**

**After each game, the teams will line up on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> base lines and we will have award presentations for the Game MVP and Individual Sportsmanship award for each team. The coaches from each team will be given two medals before the game, and after the game is over, each coach will select players from the opposing team who they feel are deserving of the awards. The MVP award will go to the player who was, as the award states, viewed as the most valuable player of the game. The Sportsmanship Award can go to any player who displays the best example of sportsmanship during the game. Whether it's extra hustle, cheering on the team when not in the game, helping a player up after a collision at a base, etc. This player can be anyone, and it's important that we recognize them as well.**

**The process doesn't take long and will be done while the next game teams begin their warm-ups in the outfield.**

**\*\*If you have any questions please call Chris @ 785-342-3571\*\***