



**2017**

## **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Tallmadge Early Bird Baseball Tournament**

9U, & 11U – April 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017

8u,10U & 12U – April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

### **TOURNAMENT RULES**

#### ***Before You Play:***

1. Entry fee is \$350 per team (8U CP is \$250). Includes umpires, game balls, and trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Make checks payable to **Tallmadge Little League** and send with your Registration and team roster forms to:  
**Paul Miles- Early Bird Tournament**  
**1448 Timbertop Dr**  
**Tallmadge,OH 44278**
2. Dates:       **9U, & 11U** – April 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> (2017)  
                  **8u CP,10U & 12U** – April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> (2017)
3. This Tournament is open to all Community Teams and Teams with a roster of at least 60% players from the same community/school district. This is NOT a Nations qualifying tournament.
4. Teams must provide their own insurance.
5. Birth Date cut off is player's age on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
6. Birth Certificates must be available in the event of a protest. If a manager cannot produce a player's BC upon request, his team will forfeit that game and player will remain ineligible until a BC is produced. Copies are acceptable, as long as they are legible. Any illegible copies will be considered unacceptable.
7. Little League Rules will apply, except where noted differently below.
8. Players' jerseys do not have to be identical, but must have a different number.
9. Weather Cancellation Policy:
  - 0 games played = \$250 refund (8U \$150)
  - 1 game played = \$150 refund (8U \$100)
  - 2 games played = Tournament considered complete.
10. Players may only be active on one roster per weekend.
11. Refund Policy if team backs out prior to tournament: 100% refund if prior to March 1<sup>st</sup>. 50% refund if team resigns after March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. \$0 if after April 1<sup>st</sup>.



1. Tournament Director: Paul Miles - 330-715-2658 pvmiles22@gmail.com
2. All teams must be ready to begin play within 15 min after end of previous game.
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 Concession stand/Field Director.
7. Warmups are permitted in the outfield and foul territory of the infield only.
8. No hit sticks outside of the fences. All kids with a bat must have a helmet on.
9. Pool games – 1 hr 45 min time limit. No inning shall start after 1 hr 45 min. Once started, the inning must finish. New innings starts when the last out is made of the previous inning.  
\*Shootout if regulation game ends in a tie or time limit is reached.  
No time limit on Championship game.
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.

1. Little League Rules will apply, except where noted differently.
2. Maximum of 14 on roster, (you can have more, but I can only guarantee 14 Trophies).
3. Continuous batting order.
4. Minimum Playing Time: 2 defensive innings/game, unless game is ended due to mercy rule.
5. Pitchers: 3 innings/game, 6/day, 9/tournament.
6. Pool/Bracket games = 6 innings. 1hr 45 min time limit. No new inning after 1 hr 45 min. If tied at time limit or end of 6 innings, then \*Shootout.
7. No time limit in the Championship game. \*Shootout if tied after 8 innings. (start the 9<sup>th</sup> inning with the shootout).
8. Courtesy runner for Catcher is allowed with 2 outs. Runner must be the player who made the last out.
9. Dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> strike will be in effect for 11U & 12U. No dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> strike for 9U & 10U.
10. No leadoff/stealing until the ball reaches the plate.  
If player leaves early: 1<sup>st</sup> offense = Team warning. 2<sup>nd</sup> = runner is out.

11. Base runners can score on passed ball/Wild pitch.



12. Bat Restrictions: Little League Approved Bats only. No Big Barrels. See website for a list of approved bats: [http://www.littleleague.org/Assets/forms\\_pubs/2013LicensedBatList.pdf](http://www.littleleague.org/Assets/forms_pubs/2013LicensedBatList.pdf)
13. No run limit per inning in 9U, 10U, 11U, or 12U.
14. **Mercy Rule:** 15 runs after 3 innings; 12 after 4 innings. 10 after 5.
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. Tournament Director will be judge of final decision. If Tournament Director is unavailable, then succession will be as follows: TLL President, VP, or Field Manager.
17. **\*Shootout Rules:** If last inning ends in a tie, or if time limit is up, the game will finish with a Shootout. Visiting team starts extra inning with the player who was their last out (previous inning) on 2<sup>nd</sup> base. Each Batter steps to the plate with a 3-2 count. Play continues until 3 outs. Home team then bats with same rules. Game continues until inning ends with a winner.
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.

1. Pitching Restrictions:
  - a. 9U-12U: 3 innings per game. 6 innings per day. 9 per tournament.
2. Pitcher may return to the mound during a game if he has not pitched his 3 innings.
3. No Balks.
4. One pitch in an inning = 1 inning pitched. (no 1/3 innings). This applies in a \*Shootout too.
5. Manager/Coach must initial opposing teams Pitcher's log - which must indicate who pitched and number of innings pitched. Shootout does count as innings pitched.
6. Pitching distance: 9u/10u = 42 ft. 11u/12u = 46 feet. Bases = 60 ft.
7. Pitcher must be removed if he hits 3 batters.
8. Manager/Coach mound visits allowed. 1 per inning, if 2, then pitcher must be removed.

1. Concession Stands, Playgrounds, Picnic areas, running water, and bathrooms at all sites.
2. Local eateries and Hotels.
3. Pets are welcome.
4. No entry or parking fees.
5. All proceeds go directly to Tallmadge Youth Recreational Leagues.
6. Just good old baseball in the beautiful Historic District of Tallmadge, OH.
7. Please clean up your dugout and surrounding areas after your game.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.  
Paul Miles 330-715-2658 (text/call)





1. Little League Rules apply except where noted differently below.
2. Infield Dead Ball Rule in effect. Infielder must raise ball overhead, in fair territory, for play to be considered dead. Runners at that point past the Hash mark will advance to next base. Runners behind hash mark will return to previous base. Play is not dead until an infielder raises the ball over his head in the field of play. Play may be made on runners at any time unless ball is raised overhead by an infielder in fair territory.
3. Runners may advance on over throws.
4. Field set up: 10ft circle centered 42 feet from home plate. Hash marks half way between bases. Coach Pitcher must have one foot inside of circle at time of Pitch.
5. Ball is dead if Coach Pitcher is unintentionally hit by the ball. Batter must hit again. If Coach intentionally comes into contact with the ball (other than to protect player pitcher), then batter is out and all base runners return to previous base.
6. Continuous Batting Order is Mandatory with free player substitution, but the batting order must remain the same.
7. All players must play at least 2 defensive innings, unless the game ends in a Mercy Rule or time expires.
8. 6 inning game. 80 Minute time limits. \*8U Shootout Rules if regulation game ends in a tie.
9. Bat Restrictions: Little League Approved Bats only. No Big Barrels. See website for a list of approved bats: [http://www.littleleague.org/Assets/forms\\_pubs/2013LicensedBatList.pdf](http://www.littleleague.org/Assets/forms_pubs/2013LicensedBatList.pdf)
10. Mercy Rule: 15 runs after 3 innings. 12 after 4 innings. 10 after five.
11. Run limit per inning = 7, except the last inning is unlimited.
12. Batter may receive up to 6 pitches to get the ball into play or get out. No Walks. No strikeouts. Batter is out if batter does not swing or swings and misses on the 6<sup>th</sup> pitch. If batter fouls off the 6<sup>th</sup> pitch, the at bat will remain alive until the batter, does not swing, swings and misses, or puts the ball into play.
13. Defensive Player designated as Pitcher is not permitted to leave the Pitcher's Circle until the ball is hit. First offense = warning. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense = player is to be removed from pitcher for the remainder of that game. One foot inside the circle is considered inside the circle for both player pitcher and Coach Pitcher.
14. No stealing. No lead offs. No bunts. Umpire will call batter out if bunted ball.
15. Runners may not leave the base until the ball is hit. 1st offense = team warning. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense = runner is out.
16. Courtesy Runner for Catcher with 2 outs. Courtesy runner must be the player who made the last out.
17. Defensive team is allowed one Coach in the Outfield only.
18. Defense will consist of 10 players, 4 of which must be in the outfield if playing with 10 players.
19. Pool play consists of 2 games. Pool record will determine seeding.
20. Bracket seeding will be determined in this order:
  - W-L record
  - Head to Head
  - Highest run differential (Max of 10 per game)
  - Coin Flip
21. Single elimination in bracket play.
22. 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.
23. Have fun!

**\*8U Shootout Rules:** Hitting team starts inning with the player who was their last out (previous inning) on 2<sup>nd</sup> base. Each Batter gets one pitch (such as the 6<sup>th</sup> pitch in regulation innings) until 3 outs. Home team then bats with same rules. Game continues until inning ends with a winner. This does NOT apply to the Championship game. No time limit for the Championship game.



## **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Tallmadge Early Bird Baseball Tournament 2017 Registration Form**

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Make Check payable to: **Tallmadge Little League.**

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TLL Website: [www.tallmadgelittleleague.com](http://www.tallmadgelittleleague.com)

### **2016 Tallmadge Early Bird Tournament**

<b>Circle your Age Group:</b>	<b>9U    11U</b>	<b>April 8<sup>th</sup> &amp; 9<sup>th</sup></b>
	<b>8u    10U   12U</b>	<b>April 22<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 23<sup>rd</sup></b>

**Team Name:**

**Manager/Coach:**

**Address:**

**City:**                                  **State:**            **Zip:**

**Cell Phone#:**

**E-mail Address:**



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## Waiver Form

### Tallmadge Early Bird Baseball Tournament

TEAM NAME:

DIVISION:

MANAGER/COACH NAMES:

MANAGER PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND BEFORE SIGNING: I understand that participation in the Tallmadge Early Bird 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 Tallmadge 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 Tallmadge Early Bird 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 Tallmadge Early Bird 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 Tallmadge Early Bird Baseball Tournament in any capacity.

Manager's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I.: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Tallmadge Early Bird 2017 Roster Form

Team Name:  
Manager Name:

Age Group:

Player's #	Player's Name	DOB

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**MACK BURLESON BASEBALL COMPLEX - "The Hole"**

**A & B Fields.**

**30 Wright Road  
Tallmadge Ohio 44278**

**Stein Field:**

**160 Maca Dr.  
Tallmadge, OH 44278**

**Indian Hills Field:**

**107 Indian Hills Dr.  
Tallmadge, OH 44278**

**MACA Field**

**183 Maca Dr.  
Tallmadge, OH 44278**

(Keep going past Washburn Field to the stop sign. Go straight into the park.  
Field will be on your right).

**Kent Dr. Field**

**200 Kent Dr.  
Tallmadge, OH 44278**



## **GIONINO'S PIZZERIA**

676 Eastwood Ave. Tallmadge 44278  
330-630-2010

## **DELANIE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL**

67 West Ave. Tallmadge, 44278.  
330-630-2888

Has a private back area great for team and family seating.

## **La Mexicana**

76 West Ave. Tallmadge, 44278  
330-630-2800

## **Subway**

35 Erie Rd. Tallmadge, 44278  
330-633-2911

## **Beef O'Brady's**

3975 Cascades Blvd. Brimfield, OH 44240  
330-678-4800

Has a private banquet area good for team/family seating.

## **Igloo's Ice Cream**

10 Tallmadge Circle, Tallmadge, 44278



The following hotels are within 10-15 minutes of our baseball fields in Tallmadge. All of the hotels offer indoor pools, workout facilities, and free continental breakfast.

**COMFORT INN** This place has a cool indoor water park!  
4423 State Route 43,  
Kent, Ohio 44240  
330-673-1888

**COUNTRY INN & SUITES**  
1420 Main Street Cuyahoga Falls, OH  
330-926-1233

**HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS**  
1215 Sanctuary View Dr.  
Kent, OH 44240  
800-939-4249