## 2021 Waite Park Summer Classic Rules

Thank you for participating in our 2021 Waite Park Summer Classic. Our goal is to promote good sportsmanship, good competition and a fun overall experience for all those involved.

Concessions: Concessions will be available at both Rivers Edge and Tech High School. We appreciate your patronage at our concession stands. We will also have a t-shirt vendor at the Rivers Edge Site next to Miller Builders field.

## Tournament Format:

- Pool play to determine seeding into bracket play on Sunday.
- Once pool play has been completed, all teams will be placed in brackets.

Tournament Rules: Unless noted below, Minnesota Softball Rules will apply. All protests will be handled on the field and appeals to the tournament director will not be considered.

- Five warm up pitches are allowed $1^{\text {st }}$ inning, 3 will be allowed in the rest of the innings.
- Pitchers may pitch unlimited innings.
- 14 U teams must bat their roster and defensive substitutions are unlimited. Teams may begin or end a game with 8 players and are not required to take an out when the 9th spot comes to bat in an inning. Teams with fewer than 8 players will be forced to forfeit and forfeited games scores will be recorded as 7-0.
- 18 U may bat their entire roster if they choose. If one team opts to do this the opponent does not have to follow suit. It is the decision of each individual team. If a team is batting the entire roster and an injury occurs, when the player's turn to bat comes up, just skip the batter and move on to the next batter, NO OUT IS CHARGED. If an injury occurs to a team batting 9 players, (including using the flex/D.P. rule) the player must be replaced. If there are no subs, the team may play with 8 players. When the injured player's turn to bat comes up, just skip the batter and move on to the next batter. NO OUT IS CHARGED.
- 7 innings per game or 70 minutes, NO new inning will start after 65 minutes. Umpires start/finish times are official.
- Games may begin before the scheduled time if both teams are in agreement.
- During Pool Play, if a game is tied after 70 minutes and it is also the end of the inning, it will remain a tie. For bracket play, if game is tied after 70 mins. Each team will begin any "extra inning" with a runner on 2nd base and 0 outs.
- Games will be stopped at the time limit if the game is in the bottom of the inning and the team at bat is winning.
- 12 run rule will be in effect after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 and 8 runs after five.
- Player may advance to $1^{\text {st }}$ base on a dropped $3^{\text {rd }}$ strike. Unlimited base stealing and advancement on over throws. Stealing of home is permitted.
- Home team will be defined by a coin flip. Bracket play higher seed is the home team. At 18U, if same seed, coin flip.
- A courtesy runner for the pitcher and catcher is allowed.
- Winning coaches should collect score card and turn it in to the concession area so scores can be updated.
- Teams must clean the dugout prior to a new team using it.
- The tournament director may modify game times in case of inclement weather. We will do our best to play all games as scheduled.

