## **FEVER FEST FRENZY 8U RULES**

## **GAME FORMAT/ RULES**

No new inning after 60 minutes.

- Home team decided by coin flip
- 3 outs per inning or 5 run limit per teams at bat.
- 10 Players in the field with 4 players in the outfield. Playing with less than 10 due to injury or absence is acceptable. If there is not a full roster, the batting team is NOT penalized with an out. If a player leaves the game due to injury, their batting spot CAN be skipped without recording an out, but the player WILL NOT be allowed back into the game once this has occurred.
- 8u will have one umpire on the field.
- No Balls or strikes will be called. There are no walks. Each batter gets 3 swings or 5 pitches unless the last pitch is a foul ball. The at bat will continue until a fair ball or strikeout.
- NO bunting, NO dropped third strike and NO infield fly rule.
- The Louisville Slugger Blue Flame Pitching Machine will be used. It will be placed 35ft. from home plate and set to throw at a speed of around 30 mph. Pitching machine is considered part of the field.
- Teams may have unlimited coaches on the field to help train and teach the game. Coaches are considered part of the field.
- NO Leading-off or Stealing. Runner cannot leave the base until ball is contacted by the bat.
- Pitcher must stay inside the pitching circle until ball contacted by bat.
- Sliding is allowed.
- No advancing on overthrows passed balls.
- Play and runners will stop when: A ball that never leaves the infield: Once a fielder has control of the ball, the runners should stop at the next base. This encourages the infielder to throw the ball to the appropriate base without the fear of runners advancing to the next base on an overthrow. o A ball hit to the outfield: If no outfielder has control of the ball, the runners may continue to advance. Once the outfielder gains control of the ball and throws it toward the infield the runners will stop at the next base. Even if the ball doesn't make it to the "dirt" on the throw, the act of throwing the ball in is the attempt at making the correct play. Players must stop at the next base.
- Outfielders must start defensive play on the outfield grass.
- NO jewelry neckless, rings, earrings, and any type of piercings MUST be removed. If it is newly pierced, they can put a piece of tape or a band aid over it.