

## **Ashwaubenon Youth Baseball T-ball League By-laws**

### **A. Eligibility**

1. All players who are 5 or 6 years old (Pre-K and K) and residents of the Village of Ashwaubenon or are Ashwaubenon School choice are eligible.
2. The age cut off date is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **B. Team Structure**

1. Teams will be organized by the league President equally distributing the 5 and 6 year olds as much as possible.
2. Coach's sons will play on their teams.
3. Returning players will play on the same team as the previous year.

### **C. Game Rules**

1. All players will bat in each inning and the batting order will rotate routinely at the discretion of the team's coach.
2. Base runners will use the out-of-play side of the double 1<sup>st</sup> base.
3. All players will play the field each inning and will rotate positions routinely.
4. Coaches of the team at bat will pitch to their team and supervise the tee. Coaches will pitch from their knees. Coaches will pitch 3 or 4 good pitches to each batter. If the batter has not hit the ball then the batting tee will be used and the batter will bat until they hit the ball off the tee.
5. The "home" team will play in the field first, bat second and use the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout. The "visiting" team will bat first, play in the field second and use the 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout.
6. All runners will stay on base until the ball is hit into play. The batter and the base runners advance one base on each hit. When an out is made, the player on which the out is made returns to the bench (i.e. if a base runner is forced out at 2<sup>nd</sup> base that runner returns to the bench). This is to help promote hustle and good base running.
7. The last batter will be announced and all base runners will advance on the last batter's hit to home plate. After the last batter crosses home plate the teams will switch positions no matter how many outs have been made.
8. Games will last about 50 minutes and will end at the end of an inning (i.e. – after the "home" team bats).
9. Rainouts will be at the discretion of the Village of Ashwaubenon Park and Rec Department and/or the consent of the teams' coaches. Games rained out will not be rescheduled.
10. No scores or standings will be kept and where not otherwise noted normal Little League rules and common sense will apply.
11. Participation awards will be given to all participants at the year-end tournament.

### **D. Equipment**

1. Each player should have a glove.
2. Players should wear tennis shoes or shoes with rubber spikes. No metal spikes will be allowed.
3. Players will not swing bats until they are in the on-deck circle or in the batters box.
4. Batting helmets will be worn by any player in the on-deck circle, any player in the batters box or any player on base. Extreme caution will be used in the areas where batters are swinging a bat.
5. INCREDIBALLS will be used for all games.