**2013 Fall Ball League Rules for 13 Step up, 14/15 Year Olds**

First of all, I have formed this league for the kids to get more playing time and experience, while having fun. I am not going to restrict you guys a lot. There are some rules that you all will have to follow and some that are specific age group. We are not keeping any records and I would hope that every coach will be on their utmost best behaviors with our umpires. There is to be no arguing of balls, strikes, and safe or out. You may discuss with the umpire a rule or a rule interpretation. If you do not like a rule interpretation of the umpire, move on and call me after the game and I will discuss it with you and if need be the umpire involved.

**BBCOR bats, drop 3, only**

Pitchers can only pitch 3 innings per game or per doubleheader. One pitch constitutes an inning.

It will be a rotating batting order; therefore anyone who shows up will bat. In case of an injury or a player having to leave early just remove that player from the line-up and there is no penalty.

There will be a 4 run per inning limit except for the last inning. A team may get as many runs as they can get in the last inning. This will leave the opportunity for a team behind by more than 4 runs in the last inning a chance to win. Although, the emphasis of this league is on instruction and having fun, not winning.

There is a two hour time limit. No inning is to be started after 2 hours. Time starts after conference at home plate with coaches and umpire!!!!! There are no extra innings, all games end after 6 innings. If it is the last game of the day and it is a tie then the game may be completed if both coaches and umpire agree. Please keep games moving by having your catchers ready and the players hustling on and off the field. For pitchers and catchers on base you may use the speed up rule, which is the last out, can run for either of them to make sure they are ready to go out quickly at the end of the inning.

**Any player that throws any equipment, swears or argues with the umpire is to be removed from the game immediately for the rest of the game by the coach. I am leaving this up to you guys and not the umpires. You may not see or hear something and the umpire does and he tells you please remove the player. Umpire may also remove a player from the game for anything he deems inappropriate or unsportsmanlike.**

No stealing or bunting if you are up by 8 or more runs during the game. If during the game you go ahead by 8 runs and have to stop and then later in the game you are up by less than 8, you may resume stealing and bunting.

**For Triple Play Coaches Only:**

All players must play four innings in the field

All players must play two innings in the infield unless they do not want to or it is a safety issue.

All players must play two innings in the outfield

**Mercy rule in effect:**

10 run after 4 innings

8 run after 5 innings

13 Step up games are 7 innings

14/15 games are 6 innings long

Field must be dragged and raked by the teams playing in the last game of the day!!!!!