

NAPERVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE



2023 Rookies A (1st
grade) and Rookies AA
(2nd grade) Manager
Meeting

2023 NLLB Board of Directors

Contact information is on the website or click [here](#) to access contact information.

President: Mike Llewellyn

Continental League Director: Jeff Calihan

National League Director: Tim Pfleeger

Republic League Director: Neil Wisker

Junior League Director: Scott Hurley

Director of Operations: Lisa O'Rear



Naperville Little League Divisions of Play

Division Name	League Name
Junior AA	Drafted 13/14 year olds league. Tryouts in summer prior to season
Junior A	Non drafted 7 th and 8 th grade league. Registration January – March 19
Majors AA	Drafted 11/12 year olds league. Tryouts in summer prior to season
Majors A	Non drafted 5 th and 6 th grade league. Registration January – March 19
Supreme AA	Drafted 9/10 year old league. Tryouts in summer prior to season
Supreme A	Non drafted 3 rd and 4 th grade league. Registration January – March 19
Rookies AA	Recreational baseball for 2 nd graders. Registration January – March 19
Rookies A	Recreational baseball for 1 st graders. Registration January – March 19

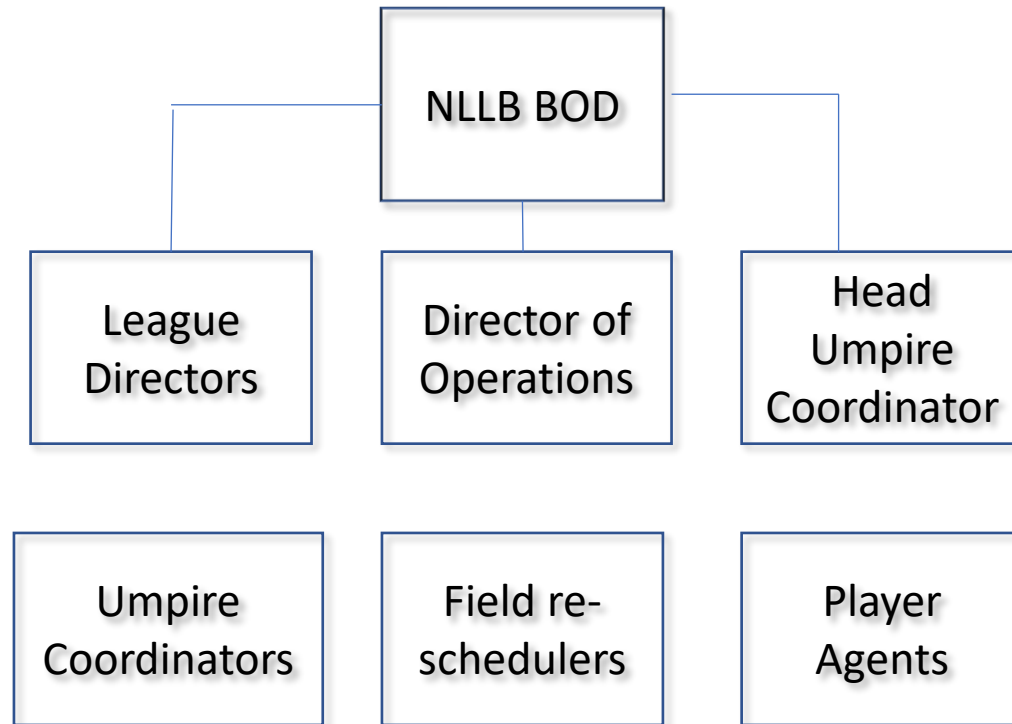
2023 Managers

YOU are the face of the league

- 20 Rookies A Managers
- 19 Rookies AA Managers
- Thank you for all you do. We are here to help and get you what you need to be successful.
- MIGS. Are you on the list? Are your assistants on the list?
- Anyone volunteering in any capacity must register as a volunteer and submit to a YEARLY background check. Why do we do this?
- Information is on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Register to be a Coach or Volunteer.
- Or, Click [here](#) to become a 2023 MIGS.



Structure of Naperville Little League



Continental League Director: Jeff Calihan, jcalihan@nllb.org

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Head Umpire Coordinator: Ginny McCormack, vjmc366@gmail.com



Game Day Procedures

- No more than 3 coaches in the dugout
- Home team occupies 3B dugout
- Visiting team preps the field, home team breaks it down (equipment box key in your packet)
- CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELVES; dugout, stands, storage room
- Pull bases and insert base plugs
- Repair the mound and batters box after games and practices



Field Maintenance

- NPD owns them, we rent them. The better job we do taking care of them, the more willing NPD will be to rent to us.
- No more than 4 bags of turface should be used on a field at one time. If you have to use that much, then do not play/practice on the field.
- Repair the mound and batters box after games and practices
- If chalk/turface is low, e-mail Lisa to let her know, she is our contact with NPD. Please do not call NPD directly
- If need turface/chalk that day, visit another major field to retrieve, but don't leave that location without any supplies.
- Dirt and grass stay separated
- NPD is installing cameras to prevent theft
- Information on Field Maintenance can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).



Miscellaneous

- Do not risk injuries; take a player out of the lineup if they get hurt. You can inset them back in the lineup later if feeling better. They will be skipped in the lineup and will NOT be an out. Safety information can be found on our website or click [here](#).
- Lightning: There are lightning detectors at major fields, once they sound, everyone goes to their car and waits for the all clear sound. Don't risk it; if you see lightning, take cover immediately
- No peanuts in the dugout
- No warmups with bat during the game (no donuts, no on-deck circle)
- Male catchers must wear cups and throat guards
- All bats must have USA baseball sticker, please check before the game.
 - 1st offense: dead ball, batter out, team loses a base coach
 - 2nd offense: dead ball, batter out, manager ejected

Adult Game Coordinators

- Must have when umpire is under 18
- Must be a MIGS
- Home team provides Adult Game Coordinator
- Must be introduced to the umpire before the game. They need to know who to look for when faced with a tough decision.
- Assign someone level-headed and able to take charge.
- They make the calls for weather and ejecting a coach or parent. Assists umpire with tough decisions if needed
- Information on responsibilities of Adult Game Coordinator can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).



Game Cancellations

- If cancelled by NPD or NLLB, an e-mail blast from system will notify everyone and your game will be rescheduled. No other action is required on your part unless you want to follow up with your team to make sure they received the message.
- If NOT cancelled by NPD or NLLB, go to the game in uniform or you will risk a forfeit.
 - Review NPD Field Maintenance guide
 - If you and the other manager cancel due to field conditions, call your Umpire Coordinator and Field Re-scheduler. Click [here](#) to locate contact information.
 - Do NOT leave an umpire at the field
- Your game will be rescheduled to the next available day/time teams and field are available. NO EXCEPTIONS. Field Reschedulers are told to reschedule games to the next available time. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- We are on a tight schedule to get these games in by the end of June, so we cannot take requests!
- Information on Game Cancellation procedures, Field Re-schedulers contact information and Umpire Coordinator contact information can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:
A SMILE MAKES A LOUSY UMBRELLA!



Player Agents

- Player Agents handle call-ups when you are short players.
 - Junior A pulls from Majors AA or Majors A
 - Majors AA pulls from Majors A or Supreme AA (LLA 10 year old)
 - Majors A pulls from Supreme A/AA
 - Supreme AA pulls from Supreme A
 - Supreme A pulls from Rookies AA
- Rules for call-ups
 - They wear their own uniform
 - They must bat last
 - They cannot pitch or catch
 - They cannot play more defensive innings than a regular player

Player Agents contact information can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).





Little League Bat Requirement (Since 2018)

- All bats must have this sticker.
- No more restriction on size as long as it has the USA sticker.
- Penalty for using an illegal bat:

1st offense: Ball is dead, batter is out, team loses a base coach.

2nd offense: Ball is dead, batter is out, MGR is ejected.

Pitch count rules (Rookies AA Managers – 2nd ½ of the season)

- Full day rest means a full day of rest.
- 20 pitches and under=0 days rest.
- 21-35 pitches=1 day rest.
- 36-50 pitches=2 day rest (50 is the Max)
- **IMPORTANT:** If pitcher goes over 41 pitches, he cannot catch. If catcher catches more than 4 innings, he cannot pitch. (1 pitch caught in an inning equals 1 inning)
- 8 warm up pitches in 1st inning and 5 for subsequent innings, that's it. Have a catcher ready between innings.
- Roll back rule: your pitcher can finish the batter and roll back to limit. For example, a pitcher starts a batter with 49, and finish that batter.





Pitching machines
set at 40' from plate or 6' from
pitching rubber

- Must carry it with you now. No leaving it at the fields. Home provides pitching machine.
- Get it calibrated the way you want it and get there early to set it up. For rookies a games, set it at 3-4. For rookies aa games, set it at 4-5.
- The more you use it, the better you get with it. Play with it at home and get it at desired speed and height.
- The kids will start to rock it. Very fun.
- Rookies AA Managers, get those kids practicing pitching now so they are ready for the 2nd ½ of the season!



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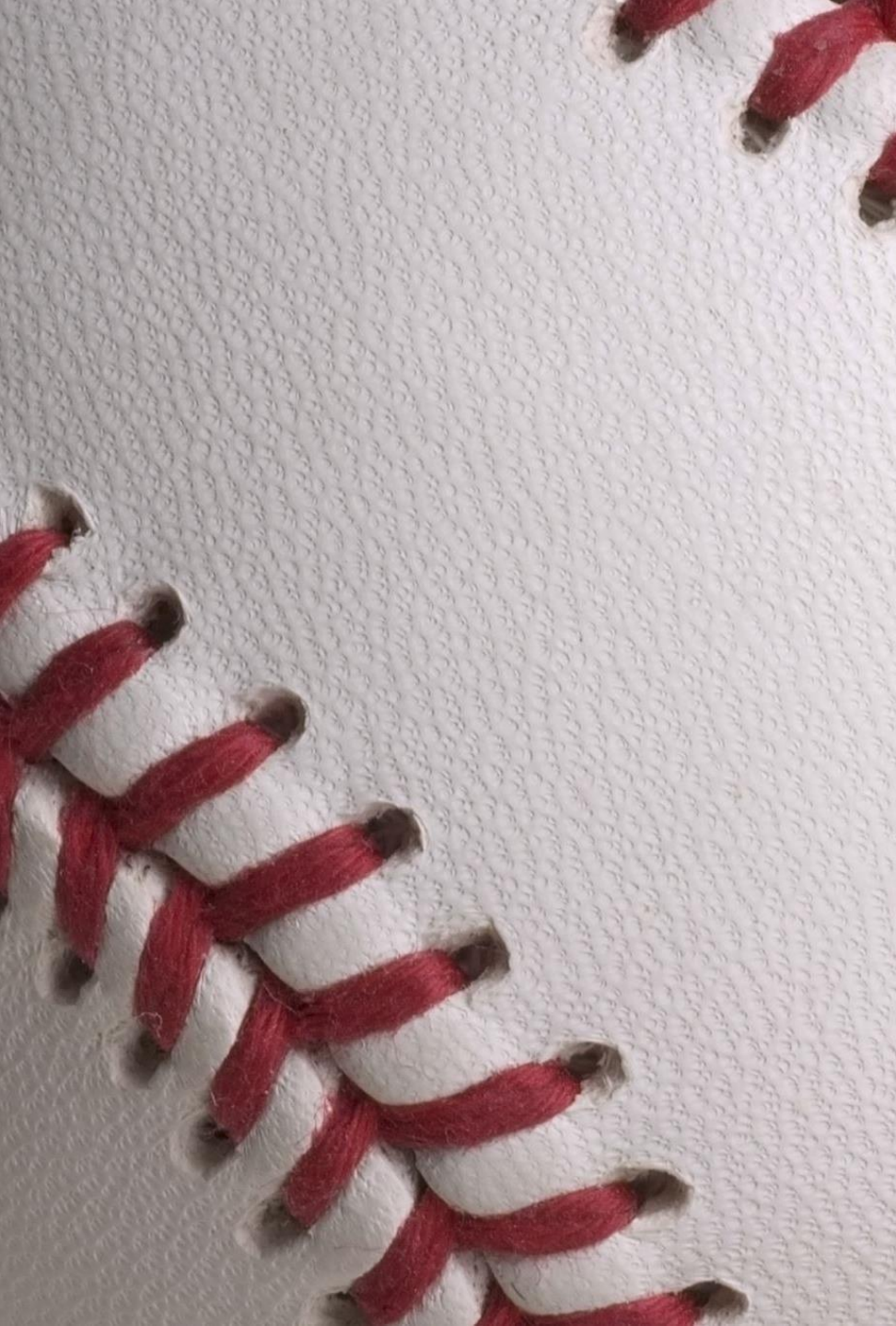
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to reach out
to your
sponsors. Lisa
will e-mail you
their contact
information.

Without their
support, we could
not keep our costs
down



Umpires

- Our umpires are going to miss calls, just like the pros; accept it and move on
- ZERO tolerance for umpire abuse
- Submit your umpire evaluation forms so our Chief Umpire and Umpire Coordinators can work with the kids
- Umpire evaluation forms can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).



Baseball Practices

- First come first serve basis, except NPD programs.
- Schedule is cleared every week as to not lock up field for the season.
- Procedures on how to schedule a practice through the system can be found on the website: Coaches & Volunteers/Coaches Resources or, click [here](#).

Miscellaneous

- Coaches Clinic April 16, 1-3pm @ Knoch 3 or Knoch 4
- Rookies Welcome – April 22 - TBD
- Distribution of jerseys – line the kids up small to tall, organize jerseys small to large and distribute.
- All Rookies AA teams enter Round-Robin (or single elimination) tournament if they choose. Details on this to come as the end of the season approaches.
- No professional team photos this year. We will give sponsors non-photo plaques (you will distribute to your sponsor).



Remember what's
important

- Keep it fun!
- You have a huge impact on these kids. As much or more than any teacher.
- The kids move on 5 minutes after the game regardless of the score, but they will never forget a coach who humiliates them.