# White Marsh/Parkville Major League (11/12) Rules

## Game Rules:

- 1. Games/Practices will start at 6pm on Monday/Wednesday. Games will have no new inning to start after 7:45pm and a drop-dead time of 8:15pm.
- 2. At least 7 players to start game, if not, game is forfeit (7-0) if team isn't filled by 6:15pm. Regulation game is 6 innings. Home team decided by coin toss.
- 3. If game is called due to weather, darkness, etc, score at last completed inning is score of game.
- 4. Team will field 10 players (4 OF).
- 5. At-bat will be complete after 3 out or 5 Runs scored (continuous).
- 6. Infield fly rule is in effect.
- 7. Drop 3<sup>rd</sup> strike is in effect.
- 8. If ump is running late, coaches are to start game until he arrives.
- 9. Any player arriving after game started will hit at end of lineup.
- 10. All players must play as evenly as possible.
- 11. Any player, fan, or coach ejected from game must leave field for game. Once we receive Umpire report, we will then come to a suspension decision.
- 12. No Smoking on Baltimore County Grounds.

# Equipment

- 1. Kids must me in proper baseball jersey, pants, socks, jerseys, and hat. Hat to be worn forward during game.
- 2. Catchers must wear catching gear, along with a protective cup.
- 3. Metal spikes are not allowed.
- 4. Batting helmets must be worn by hitters and base runners.
- 5. Bats must have USA or USSSA stamp on them (2 5/8" Barrel max).

## The Ball Field:

- 1. Pitchers mound is 50 feet from home plate.
- 2. Base distance is 70 feet.
- 3. Home team will be decided by coin toss before game.

#### The Pitcher

- 1. Pitcher will throw from rubber on mound.
- 2. No more than 2 innings pitched per game (Regular Season and Playoffs).
- 3. Pitcher will be considered removed after two trips to mound by manager.
- 4. Balks are called. First one is warning from Umpire.
- 5. Pitcher will be removed if he hits two batter in one inning, or 3 in 2 innings.

# Misc.

- 1. No stealing of home if up by 8 runs or more.
- 2. Catcher interference will give first base to batter after first warning.

#### The Batter

- 1. Batter out if he throws bat (Ump discretion with one warning per team).
- 2. Bunting is allowed.
- 3. Batter will be called out if team bats out of order.
- 4. Foul tip caught by catcher is an out.
- 5. Batter will be considered out if he hits the ball twice in fair territory.
- 6. If the batter interferes with the catcher throwing the ball, batter will be called out and ball is dead.
- 7. If the batter leaves the batters box, pitch will be called a strike, no matter where the pitch was.

## **Base Runners**

- 1. Leading and stealing is allowed. Runner must tag up on fly balls.
- 2. Base runners will be called out if they interfere with a throw or hinder a fielder making a play on a ball.
- 3. When there is a play at the plate, base runners must slide or they will be called
- 4. Baserunners will be awarded one base on a fielders overthrows the ball from the fielding play.
- 5. The last batted out may pinch run for pitcher and catcher when there is two out.

# Play Stops and Time Outs

- 1. When umpire calls "play ball," the ball is live.
- 2. After ball becomes dead, play resumes with pitcher on mound and ump saying "play ball."
- 3. Players and coaches may request time outs, but only ump can grant it.

# Managers and Coaches

- 1. Managers are responsible for players and fans conduct, along with equipment bag.
- 2. Managers and coaches can instruct players at all times.
- 3. Mangers are the only ones that can question a call.
- 4. Base coaches can't touch base runners. If they do, they are out.