

Wayne Holmes Baseball, Inc.

2019 Post-season Tournament

Consult the Wayne Holmes Baseball, Inc. Handbook on the league website at www.wayneholmesbaseball.org for:

Roster and Game Rules

Player Eligibility

The Official Tournament Schedule, Game Results, and Bracket Updates will be on the website.

We recommend you download the handbook from the website to your phone and have this tournament summary sheet with you during your games to resolve any confusion about tournament rules.

All scheduling should be coordinated/confirmed with Andrew Marcum so he can keep the website up to date. The date and time scheduled on the website is the official game time for each game. The winning team will report the score immediately after each game. Coaches should consult the website often for tournament progress that affects their teams. We encourage head coaches to communicate with each other to confirm game schedule and location so everyone remains on the same page. If you see an error on the website, please report it immediately.

General Tournament Information:

*Tourney is single-elimination format taking place from June 10 – June 24, 2019. The two finalists in each division will play a best two out of three game Championship Series.

*All games are scheduled for 6PM unless otherwise approved by the league and specified on the official schedule. A community who has only one field, and two teams scheduled to play a home game on the same night, may schedule a 6PM and 8PM game under those circumstances. It would be good if the game, which involves the visiting team traveling the greatest distance, is played at 6PM.

*High School rules are observed with exception to the variations approved in the handbook and on this summary sheet.

*The home team is the higher seed. The game date is determined by tournament schedule and field availability. Games are not scheduled based on player availability. All teams are expected to be able to field a team on any date (except Sundays) during the tournament. If a team does not have enough players to play on the scheduled date, **the game is a forfeit** – see the handbook for tourney forfeit rules.

*Rainouts are to be rescheduled for the next day. Rescheduling of rainouts takes precedence over scheduling of 'first-time' tourney games. This helps keep the tourney moving. Remember to notify Andrew to report rainouts and confirm the rescheduling of games so he can update the website.

*ROSTERS ARE LOCKED – Only players on the roster as of 11:59 PM on Saturday, June 8th are eligible to play in the tournament. No players can be added during the tournament. Any player on the tournament roster who was not on the opening day roster cannot pitch, catch, or play in front of a player who was on the opening day roster. **Email your tournament roster / changes to Andrew Marcum at thepitman13@gmail.com prior to the deadline.** Late roster changes will not be accepted. We recommend you keep all lineup cards from your games until you are eliminated from the tournament.

*Nine (9) players are required to begin a game. A team may finish with eight (8) if player(s) are injured during a game.

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*The home team arranges for two umpires per game. The rate is \$40/umpire per game. The visiting team must pay \$40 toward the umpiring fees. Umpires are to be paid **before** the start of the game. The game will not start until the umpires have been paid. If a team does not bring umpire \$\$\$, that team **will forfeit** the game.

*The league provides umpires and game balls for Championship Series games in each division. These games will be played on a **neutral field determined by the league**. The higher seed is the home team for Championship Series Game 1. The lower seed is the home team for Game 2. The home team for Game 3, if necessary, will be determined by a coin flip called by the higher seed.

SPECIAL NOTES:

*No Metal Cleats, No Exceptions – Coaches are responsible for checking their players' equipment including proper footwear prior to the game. If a player is observed wearing metal cleats during a tournament game the Head Coach will be ejected and the player removed from the game. The player may return to the game through regular substitution rules with proper, non-metal footwear.

*Balks will be called **in both divisions without warning** during the tournament.

*If you play a game under protest, contact Craig Farrar (330) 464-9052 immediately following conclusion of the game. You must declare your protest to the umpire and opponent's head coach at the time of the play in question. A protest cannot be declared after the next pitch has been thrown. Both scorekeepers must note the game situation at the time of protest in their scorebooks. Judgement calls by the umpires are not able to be protested. Only an umpire's misapplication of a rule may be protested.