

Hicksville Baseball Association

BOYS Intermediate – 7 YR. OLDS 2006

General

- a. Games will be played on instructional field behind major field.
- b. A pitching machine will be used for the entire season.
- c. There will be no standings.
- d. The manager will operate the machine and act as the umpire.
- e. Accident reports are to be filled out in case of injury and director must be notified.
- f. If a game is cancelled on the complex fields you might be asked to move your game to the complex field.
- g. Saturdays games will have an hour and forty five minute time limit.

Safety and Uniforms

- a. Cups must be worn during both games and practices.
- b. Batters and base runners must wear helmets.
- c. The batter is the only one who should have a bat in his hands There is no on -deck position.
- d. At first sign of lightning the game is over.
- e. Managers must keep players in the dugout area which will be against the back of major field fence.

Field

- a. The pitching machine will be set at a distance according to the speed its set on.
- b. First and third base will be 55 feet from the plate
- c. Only the flat bases with the double first base will be used.
- d. Nine players will be used in the field with 4 outfielders,

Hitting

- a. Universal batting order.
- b. No bunting allowed.
- c. Throwing the bat gets a warning.
- d. Each batter gets a maximum of 5 pitches; batter is out on 5th pitch foul ball.
- e. A batted ball that hits machine is a hit and the ball is dead.
- f. If a player in the field throws the ball and it hits the machine the play is dead and the runner gets the base.
- g. Catcher does not have to hold onto the third strike.
- h. An inning will end after either 3 outs or once thru the batting order.

Base running

- a. NO stealing -No tagging up - The Pete Rose rule is in effect.
- b. Fielders must yield the base path to the runners unless making a play.
- c. No head first slides.
- d. No infield fly rule.
- e. There will be no unnecessary running around the bases.

Managers and Coaches

- a. We will need player evaluations at the end of the season.
- b. Managers and coaches are responsible' for the behavior of the players and parents.
- c. Both managers are responsible for the return of all equipment to its proper place in the shed.
- d. One coach will be allowed in the field to help position his players as needed.
- e. The pitching machine is a new system we are using and with the cooperation of all managers and coaches we feel it will ready the boys for the 8 yr old division when they play on the bigger fields and face live pitching.
- f. If there is anything you need help with pertaining to this policy or anything else you can give me a call or see me on the field.