

# District 34 Junior/Senior/Big League/College Division Program/Rules

**Teams Must Register at [www.hhhllhawks.com](http://www.hhhllhawks.com)**

## **Registrations Instructions:**

- 1. Log into Your HHH Account or Create a New Account**
- 2. Complete your manager's info only, DO NOT create any player profiles or input any player data, not even your child's info.**
- 3. Save & click next on bottom.**
- 4. Under your profile, uncheck the none box.**
- 5. Select Sport – Baseball – Then the Box Right Underneath, Arrow Down & Select D34 Summer**
- 6. Select Team In drop down box – DO NOT SELECT THE MANAGER BOX!**
- 7. Select your D34 division.**
- 8. Select none for any other profile on the screen.**
- 9. Select next & continue until you finish the registration process.**

## Age Groups:

1. 13U 90 Foot – 12,13
  2. Juniors – 12,13 and 14 years old
  3. Seniors – 13, 14, 15 and 16-year-old
  4. Big League – 15,16,17,18,19 -years old
  5. College Division – 19 – 22 years old
- (Age determination by Local Little League)
- Managers Meeting (Otsego Park – Times – TBD)

- Season Starts Week of (See Below). Last year's performance and the President's/Directors team evaluations will determine initial pre-seeding. Teams will be put into either an A, B or C level of play.
- **Fee: Juniors/Seniors – Little League Teams - \$2000.00 – Non-Little League Teams - \$2400.00 – Big League - \$2500.00 – College - \$2900.00 – Fees include Umpire fees, Insurance, Fields/Prep & Game Baseballs.**
- **Managers are NOT allowed to change games at their discretion. Teams unable to field a team will forfeit. Teams/Umps will wait a maximum of 15 minutes for an 8<sup>th</sup> player.**
- Rainouts – Teams will reschedule.
- Rosters – Managers must register their teams online & enter their players' Info. The opposing coach is required to verify pitch counts. **If Rosters Are Not Submitted Prior to 3 days of your first game, you will be in a forfeit position for every game played without a submitted roster.**
- Minimum 12 player roster. Players must be 12 - 22 years old as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The maximum Roster is 22.
- After rosters are submitted online, the district must approve all changes. Changes to the rosters may be made up to July 1.
- Rosters should be available for inspection at any time.
- Only players on the roster may appear in any game.
- Each player should have his own uniform with a name or number on the back of the uniform.
- Any roster violation may eliminate the entire team from playoff or tournament play.
- Managers are responsible for medical release forms for all players.
- Communications will be done via the HHHLL Website – [www.hhhllhawks.com](http://www.hhhllhawks.com).
- All fields must be in playable condition. If you want home games you must commit to maintaining those fields (cutting grass, supplying bases, lining fields, etc.) to have that privilege unless your games are played on an approved and maintained field.
- Teams must have Eight (8) players to start and finish a game unless you will forfeit.
- You Can Bat either 9, 10 or 11 (Up to 2 Extra Hitters or 1 Designated hitter) or a Universal Batting Order
- Must Play Rule – Juniors – 12 or less players – 6 Consecutive Defensive Outs & 1 At Bat, 13 or more players - 1 At Bat. Seniors/Big League/College– No Must Play Rule. Any game shortened by mercy rule, darkness, rain, etc., then mandatory play does not apply.
- The Speed up Rule is allowed for your catcher and pitcher but is not mandatory at any time during the inning.
- Special Pitch Runner is allowed twice during a game & once per game per player (if you use a universal batter order you cannot use a special pitch runner for the entire game)
- The Winning Manager MUST report Score and Pitchers Names & Pitch Counts for Both Teams on your Coach's Portal within 24 hours of game completion unless a forfeit will be recorded.
- All games will count towards record.
- GAME CANCELLATIONS – Any team requesting to cancel a game MUST have an

agreed upon rescheduled game date 48 hours prior to the game being cancelled unless the team requesting the cancellation receives a forfeit. Umpire cancellation fee, \$50 if the game is cancelled within 24 hours of the scheduled time. A fee would also be owed if the umpire's second game is cancelled if they have a doubleheader. The fee for all the umpires is owed by the team that cancels. This does not include any weather-related cancellations.

- **Borrowing Players** – You may borrow a player within your division (IE: Seniors C cannot borrow from Seniors A) but not from the opposing team. You can borrow up to 3 players. All borrowed players must bat last and play in an outfield position. You **MUST** announce all borrowed players at the beginning of the game to the umpire and opposing manager. No borrowing of Players Allowed during the Playoffs. You **MUST** play all your own rostered players when borrowing a player & if you have 9 of your own players eventually show up to the game none of your players can be out of the lineup throughout the game (except for injury).
- **Mercy Rule** – 15 run lead after 4 innings or 10 run lead after 5 innings. Must have equal at bats unless the home team is winning by the above mercy rules.
- **The Official Game** is 5 innings. No new inning can start after 2 hours, once you start an inning you must complete that inning.
- **Ejections** – Will carry a minimum suspension of the next game. Suspension can be longer & are determined by the District Director.
- **Bats** – Juniors – Must have the USA Logo or BBCOR on the bat. Seniors/Big League/College must be BBCOR on the bat. If you step into the batter's box with an illegal bat the batter will be out & you lose an adult base coach for the rest of the game. The manager will be thrown out of the game on the second offense of any game. You have the right to challenge the legality of any bat.
- **Record based on Winning Percentage**
- **Tie Breakers:** Head-to-Head, Runs Allowed, Runs Scored
- **Playoffs:** All teams participate in a single game elimination playoff.
- **Scheduling:** 1<sup>st</sup> Half Schedule/2<sup>nd</sup> Half Schedule – Upon completion of 1<sup>st</sup> half schedule teams with a winning % of greater than 65% will move up a division (within your age group) & teams with a winning % less than 34% will move down a division (within your age group), if applicable.

## **EQUIPMENT:**

Portable Mounds – No METAL SPIKES allowed when pitching from any portable mound.

#### **FORFEIT SITUATIONS:**

**Below are examples of forfeit scenarios. This is not a complete list. Any scenario can result in a forfeit situation at the discretion of D34.**

- **Using an Illegal Age Player**
- **Using A Player Not on Your Roster as Per the Website**

## **Baseball Bat Rules**

### **Juniors:**

Junior Bats:

Must have the USA bat logo or BBCOR on the bat.

### **Seniors/Big League/College Division:**

Senior/Big League/College Division Bats:

Must be 2 5/8 barrel and must be BBCOR (all bats)

## **Season Breakdown:**

**Season Starts – 6/13/25.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Half Ends – 7/5**

**Williamsport – TBD 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Half Begins – 7/7**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Half Ends – 7/26**

**Playoffs Begin – 7/27**

**Playoffs End – 8/2 (Rain out Date –  
8/3/25)**