

## Local All-Stars

Local All-Stars is offered to players at AAA & Majors. What was once a one-game event at each of these two levels has evolved into multi-game tournaments with the tremendous growth of Arlington Little League!

Local All-Star players are selected by the teams. Each player at AAA & Majors votes for the 2-3 teammates they feel would best represent his/her team in the local All-Star tournament.

Both levels field two teams in each division (AL & NL) for this experience.

There are no practices for these teams. They typically play a two-day (one weekend) tournament at the end of the spring season.



Arlington Little League offers TWO different All-Star experiences:

Little League District 4 All-Stars & Arlington Local All-Stars

## D4 All-Stars

D4 simply means "Little League District 4," which includes Arlington Little League as well as other Little League organizations throughout Northern Virginia.

Players selected as D4 All-Stars represent ALL in a districtwide tournament, potentially advancing statewide and beyond.

At the younger level (8/9/10 year olds), there are two teams (American League & National League). AAA & Majors coaches recommend players for consideration. The league's All-Star Committee then forms the D4 teams from the nominated players.

At the 50/70 (Intermediate) level, players fill out ballots for each division. The top 7 vote-getters from the National League & American League are automatically named All-Stars UNLESS they do not meet the D4 participation requirements. An additional 5-7 players are then selected for each team by the coaches within that division and the All-Star manager.

## Arlington Little League All-Stars



*Is your son or daughter interested in the Arlington Little League All-Star experience?*

This brochure is designed to outline some of the details and answer some of the questions you may have regarding the All-Star experience including the selection process, player/family commitment, player eligibility, cost, etc.

Should you have additional questions, please email [allstars@arlingtonlitttleleague.org](mailto:allstars@arlingtonlitttleleague.org).

Check out the ALL website at [www.arlingtonlitttleleague.org](http://www.arlingtonlitttleleague.org) for updated information and stay tuned for a parent All-Star information session to be held in March!

# Frequently Asked Questions...

**ARE THERE TRYOUTS FOR EITHER EXPERIENCE?** No. Selection for ALL teams is based on participation and play during the regular season.

**CAN MY CHILD BE CONSIDERED FOR A D<sub>4</sub> TEAM EVEN IF HE/SHE IS NOT ON A TRAVEL TEAM?** Absolutely! Arlington Little League is not affiliated with any travel organizations. Therefore, travel participation does not play a role in the selection of All-Star team members. All Arlington Little League players who are age eligible and meet the D<sub>4</sub> requirements will be given equal opportunity and consideration.

**WHAT IF MY CHILD HAD AN INJURY DURING THE REGULAR SEASON THAT AFFECTED HIS/HER PLAYING TIME?** If your player does not meet the requirements for participation during the regular season due to an injury, he/she may still be considered for All-Stars.



## Frequently Asked Questions Continued...

**MY SON/DAUGHTER IS 11 AND PLAYING IN MAJORS. IS HE/SHE ELIGIBLE FOR D<sub>4</sub> ALL-STARS?** Based on the All-Star teams Arlington Little League has fielded in recent years, 11-year-olds who play Majors have not been eligible for D<sub>4</sub>. In order to be eligible for 50/70 D<sub>4</sub> teams, players must have played 50/70 in the spring and the 8/9/10 division is restricted by Little League International rules to that specific age group.

Each year, the Arlington Little League board reviews potential formats for D<sub>4</sub> participation. While the board has opted to keep the same format for the past few years, it is always a possibility that ALL could change formats in a given year.

**WHAT IS THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH ALL-STARS?** There is no cost to participate in the Local All-Star experience. For games, players wear their regular season team jersey and are awarded an all-star hat.

For D<sub>4</sub>, costs range from \$100-\$130. This covers registration fees, uniforms costs, and potential hotel stays for state and regional tournaments!

**HOW MANY PLAYERS ARE SELECTED TO EACH TEAM AND WHEN DO THEY FIND OUT IF THEY MADE IT?** For Local All-Stars, 2-3 players are selected from each team. These players are notified shortly after D<sub>4</sub> teams have been announced.

For D<sub>4</sub> All-Stars, teams may be comprised of 12-14 players. The date on which Arlington Little League is permitted to announce teams is set by Little League International and is typically in the beginning of June (with practices beginning as early as that same day).

**WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND THE COMMITMENT FOR LOCAL ALL-STARS & D<sub>4</sub> TEAMS?** Players may only participate in one of these experiences. To be eligible for D<sub>4</sub> All-Stars, participation and availability criteria must be met.

**Participation:** A player must have played in a minimum of 60% of regular season games. Game participation is defined as having played at least six consecutive defensive outs with at least one plate appearance during a game (consideration and waivers may be given to an injured player).

**Availability:** Players are expected to make at least 90% of the practices and games in order to be eligible for D<sub>4</sub> All-Stars. Daily 2-3 hour practices start as soon as teams are announced at the beginning of June with tournament play typically running until the end of June and possibly through mid-July. If D<sub>4</sub> All-Stars is of interest to your player, please keep this time frame in mind when making plans for summer.

Local All-Stars play games only, typically over the course of a weekend at the end of the regular season.

