



**TO: ALL District Administrators of Texas West Section
3 (Districts 4, 19, 21,26, and 35)**

FR: Gerald (Gerry) McCrary

District 35 Administrator

**RE: Host to 9-10 Softball and 10-11 Baseball for
Sectional Tournaments (2015)**

**Sites: The 9-10 Softball Tournament will be held at the
Softball Complex across from Eagle Pass High School
in Eagle Pass, Texas. There will be a \$3.00 parking fee
for the games at the Softball Complex.**

**The 10-11 Baseball Tournament will be at the
Fort Duncan Fields in Eagle Pass (less than ten
minutes away from the Softball Complex).The Hat will
be passed every game and encourage the fans to
please donate generously to help alleviate the costs of
the tournament. The Google Maps shall be posted on
our website, www.d35.org. for each site.**

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

**1. Team members, managers, and coaches should
arrive at the sites ONE HOUR BEFORE the first**

scheduled game to check in with the Tournament Officials.

2. For the 10-11 Baseball Tournament, please bring one dozen **GOOD QUALITY LLB RS-T** Baseballs (Diamonds, Rawlings, Wilson). Please do not put any markings on the baseballs.

3. For the 9-10 Softball Tournament, please bring **SIX 11"** Little League Tournament Quality Yellow Optic Softballs. Please do not put any markings on these softballs.

4. Prior to each game, there will be a brief review of the Tournament Rules and Section Ground Rules held. In addition, the equipment will be checked by the Tournament Officials or Umpires.

5. Home and Visitor will be determined by the flip of a coin prior to each game. Home team will occupy First Base dugout and the Visitors will occupy Third Base dugout.

6. Additional assistant coaches, player alternates, bat boy or bat girl, and scorekeeper **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED** in the dugouts.

7. Teams will be **RESPONSIBLE** for their hotel/motel arrangements. Each team should bring their League Tax Exempt Forms to fill out at the place that they are

staying. All team housing and meal costs will be the **RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH TEAM.**

8. Please be advised that NO GLASS CONTAINERS will be allowed at the Tournament Sites. The teams will be required to bring their own jugs with Gatorade or other sports drinks if they choose to do so.

9. No alcoholic beverages of any kind are allowed at any Little League facility.

10. Games will be played in accordance with the schedules posted on the website, www.d35.org, weather permitting. The District Administrator Reserves the Right to Revise or Alter the Schedule to meet the next level of play.

11. All Little League Rules and Regulations will be Observed during the entire tournament.

12. Each team must provide their own Little League Approved equipment and must have seven NOCSAE Approved helmets with the warning label clearly displayed. Metal cleats or spikes are not permitted for these levels of play during the tournaments. Catcher must wear the helmets and mask during infield practice, pitcher warm-up, and during the game.

13. District Administrators are requested to notify Gerry McCrary at (830) 313-9090 of your winners for

the 9-10 Softball and 10-11 Baseball Divisions as soon as possible.

14. The winning team will be furnished pertinent information regarding the next level of play.

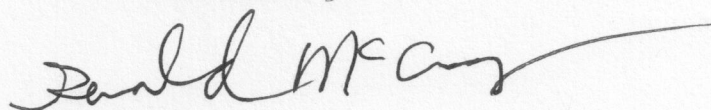
15. We ask consideration for others to be observed while enjoying the Host Site's facilities. Please act like guests and THANK the people who are working these tournaments when you get the opportunity. We ask that each Manager and Coach assure that their team and their fans conduct themselves accordingly. Remember, all these people are volunteers and receive no pay for their efforts.

16. In regard to the policy of Texas West Section 3, each team shall receive the Sectional Pins from Little League Baseball/ Softball and each winning team shall receive the "Championship Flag" from Williamsport. In addition, each winning team shall receive medallions from District 35 because this is our way of paying tribute to the effort that your team made in winning the tournament! We have been doing this for several years.

On behalf of District 35 of Texas and its Tournament Officials in Eagle Pass, we want to extend our Best Wishes to Each of You and Hope that you have a Wonderful Experience visiting Eagle Pass In July

2015. The Tournament Officials have been working hard to prepare for these Sectional Tournaments and are looking forward to seeing your teams, fans, and coaches soon ! If you need anything, feel free to contact me at your convenience. Take Care, have a Safe trip to Eagle Pass, and GOD bless you always !!!

Sincerely,



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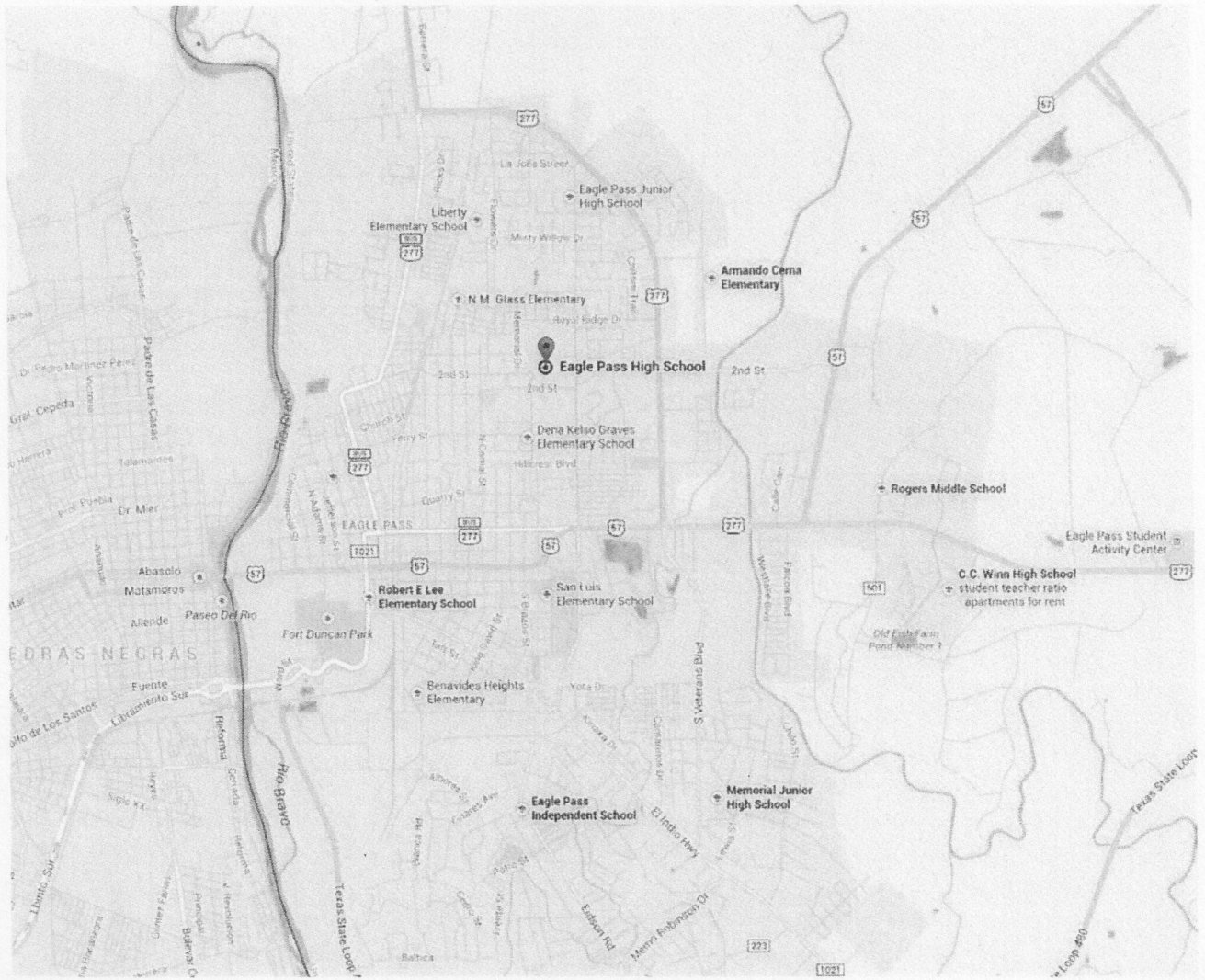
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He Is Just a Little Boy

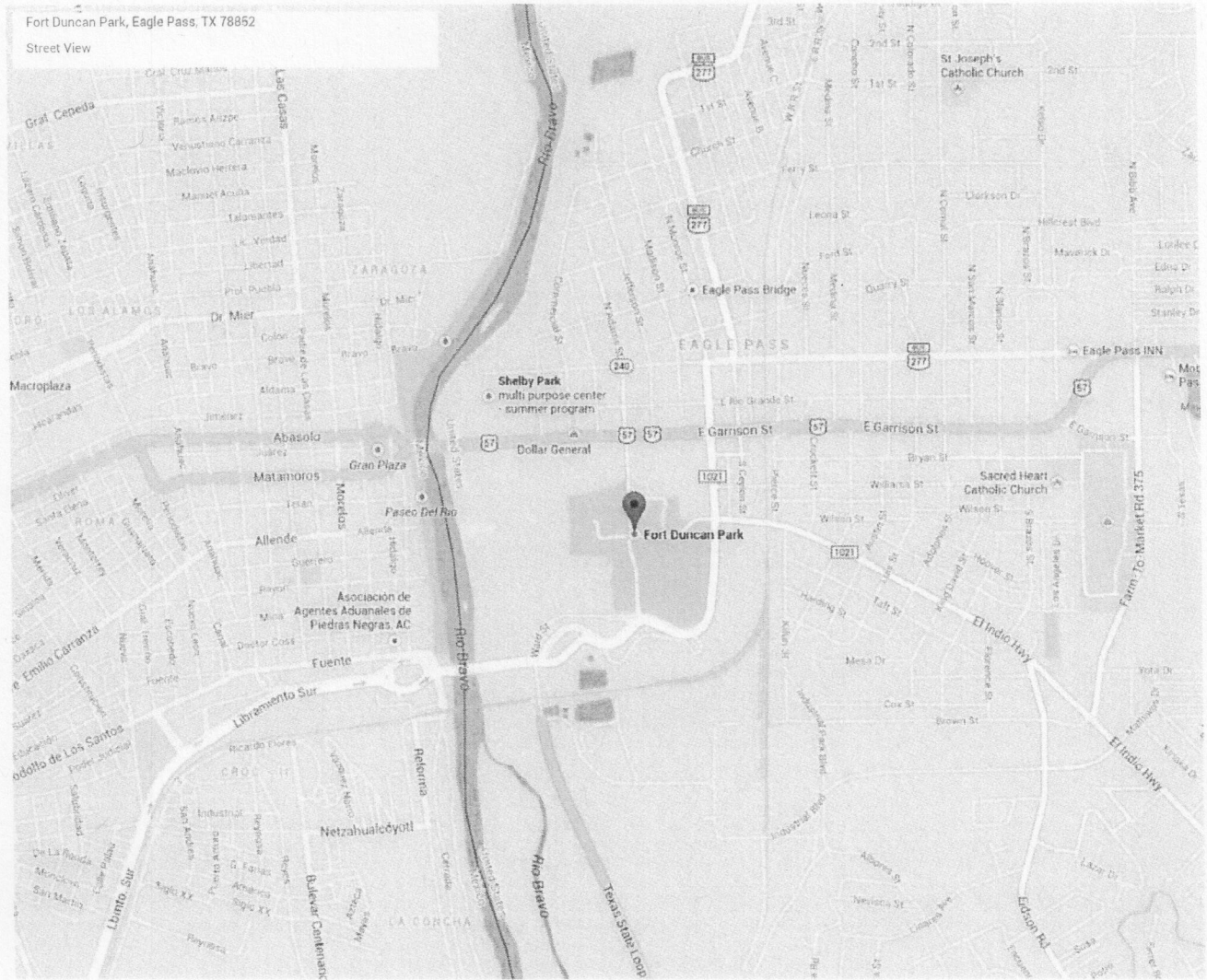
By Chaplain Bob Fox

He stands at the plate
with his heart pounding fast.
The bases are loaded,
the die has been cast.
Mom and Dad cannot help him,
he stands all alone.
A hit at this moment
would send his team home.
The ball meets the plate,
he swings and he misses.
There's a groan from the crowd,
with some boos and some hisses.
A thoughtless voice cries,
"Strike out the bum."
Tears fill his eyes,
the game's no longer fun.
So open up your heart
and give him a break,
for it's moments like this,
a man you can make.
Please keep this in mind
when you hear someone forget,
He is just a little boy,
and not a man yet.

Softball Complex



Fort Duncan





TEXAS WEST - SECTION 3
TOURNAMENT GROUND RULES
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL



1. The current Official Little League Rules and Regulations will govern except as noted in the Tournament Rules.
2. All players, managers, coaches and umpires are required to stay within the fenced playing field once the game begins, except for restroom use or emergencies.
3. In accordance with rule 3.17, the use of electronic equipment during the game is restricted. No team shall use electronic equipment, including walkie-talkies, cellular telephones, etc., for any communications with on-field personnel including those in the dugout, bullpen or field. See penalty under rule 3.17.
4. Managers and Coaches must wear appropriate clothing. Appropriate clothing includes slacks, blue jeans, coaching shorts, golf type shirts or similar type and proper foot wear. Holey pants or shirts, t-shirts or any shirt with tobacco, sex or alcoholic products, cut-offs, short shorts and sandals are some examples of inappropriate clothing. The District Administrator and Tournament Director have the final decision on appropriate dress for tournaments.
5. Only the players, manager and coaches **listed on the affidavit and eligible under current Little League Rules** will be allowed on the field or in the dugout prior to, during and after the game. Safety rules require those in the dugout to be seated rather than standing or pacing up and down or hanging out of the dugout.
6. The on deck batter position has been eliminated.
Note: The on deck batter has not been eliminated for 50-70 Inter-mediate, Junior, Senior and Big League Baseball and Softball.
7. When both the manager and the coach(es) are in the dugout, one of these adults will be allowed to request a time-out. **Only** after the time-out has been called by the umpire, will that adult manager or coach be permitted to leave the dug-out.
8. Umpires are instructed to give ear to any request for clarification of rules situations, but not on any judgement decisions.

9. Players shall not gather around the pitcher at the start of an inning or following an out. They must remain near their positions while tossing the ball around the infield and call encouragement to the pitcher from that point.
10. All equipment used in tournaments must be clearly identifiable as Little League Approved. All equipment will be checked prior to the beginning of tournament play. Umpires and Tournament Officials will also check equipment at tournament games.
11. Spectators or players of one team shall not yell strike, swing or make other remarks towards players of the opposing team or umpire. *Stomping feet, cadence counting and clapping of the hands for the obvious intent of distracting the other team will not be permitted.* The umpires and tournament officials have the right to rule on any noise they feel is distracting. **Noisemakers such as bells, sirens and whistles are not permitted.**
12. Rings, watches, ear rings, Little League pins and other types of jewelry must not be worn on the field.
13. Each team must position a protection player facing the batter in order to stop any batted ball from striking the pitcher warming up outside the outfield foul lines or in the bull pen. (Note: Only Pitchers and Catchers are allowed in the bullpen at any time.)
14. Home/Visitor: The assignation of home/visitor for every game shall be the result of a coin flip.
15. The manager or coach will be charged with a visit to the pitcher if he/she calls a time out to talk with the catcher or any defensive player.
16. Foul or rude language or unsportsmanlike conduct by spectators will not be tolerated and can result in offenders being barred from the Little League Park.
17. Once a game begins, no flash photography of any kind is allowed during the game at any time.
18. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR TOBACCO WILL BE ALLOWED** at any Little League Tournament Game.