

COACHES MEETING

May 26, 2021



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LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

- State Association



- League Association



- Your local Association



HOW IT WORKS

To ensure that all Crow River Baseball association are in compliance with federal and state laws, all head coaches, assistant coaches, and any adult who will participate with, or have authority over youth athletes are required to comply with the information below:

- Concussion training is required by Minnesota law for all umpires, coaches and bench personnel involved in youth sports (paid and volunteer). The certificate is good for three years.
- The “Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017” was signed into federal law on February 14, 2018. This training is to be done on an annual basis.
- Federal background checks are to be done on an annual basis.

▪ www.trustedcoaches.org



CONCUSSION, SAFE SPORT, BACKGROUND

104 TEAMS

- 10A has 23 teams
- 12A has 22 teams
- 14A has 13 teams
- 10AA has 7 teams
- 11AA has 9 teams
- 12AA has 10 teams
- 13AA has 12 teams
- 14AA has 8 teams



LEAGUE NUMBERS

How many games did John schedule this season?

- 104 baseball teams
- 72 softball teams
- 22 communities



SCHEDULES ARE HUGE PUZZLES

How many games did John schedule this season?

611 baseball games

442 softball games

1,053 total games



SCHEDULES ARE HUGE PUZZLES

June 25-27, 2021

10AA: Hosted by NYA
11AA: Hosted by Kimball
12AA: Hosted by HLWW
13AA: Hosted by Maple Lake
14AA: Hosted by Hutchinson

July 16-18, 2021

10A: Hosted by HLWW / Annandale
12A: Hosted by Kimball
12A: Hosted by Hanover
14A: Hosted by Hutchinson



TOURNAMENT WEEK

No league games scheduled the week prior to your tournament.

Tournament games will be played that week as a lead-in to the weekend tournament.

High seed will be the host & the league will pay for the umpire.

AA tournaments will be double elimination and seedings will be based on league standings at the time of the seeding.



TOURNAMENT WEEK

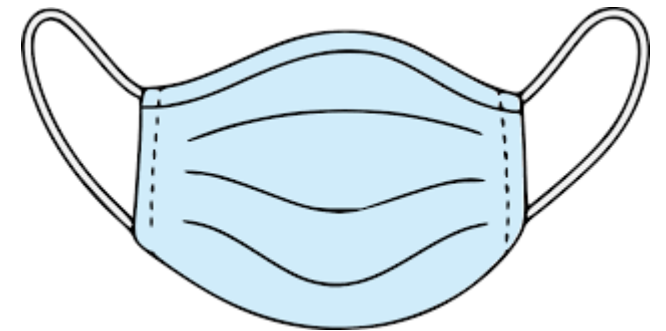
April 22, 2021: STAY SAFE MN-MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Organized Sports Practice & Games Guidance for Youth and Adults

Requirement: *Face coverings are required to be worn when sports participants are not actively practicing or playing and cannot maintain physical distancing.*

Recommendation: *Participants are strongly recommended to either wear a face covering at all times or test all participants weekend for COVID-19.*

Spectators: *required to wear face coverings indoors and outdoors unless the individual is exempt or temporarily removes their face covering as per the Order.*



FACE COVERINGS

WWW.CROWRIVERJUNIORBASEBALL.COM



WEBSITE

UPDATE YOUR TEAM PAGE

(ROSTER INFO FOR 10A, 12A, 14A ALSO GOES HERE)



- (1) Hover over **Login** on the right side of the page and click on **Administration**
- (2) Sign in with **Email**: crowrivercoachbb@gmail.com **Password**: text 320-583-0681 for password
- (3) On the upper left side hover on and click on **Teams**
- (4) Use the drop down to find your division team
- (5) Update your information
- (6) Save your updates and log out

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REPORTING YOUR SCORES

Both coaches are responsible to report the scores each week.



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- (3) On the upper left side hover on and click on **RESULTS**
- (4) Use the drop down and click on **Quick Entry By Day**
- (5) Use the drop downs to find the correct date and division
- (6) Enter your scores
- (6) Save your scores and log out

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- All over age players must be approved by the League Director prior to playing.
- An over age player is one who is playing below their age division.



OVER AGE PLAYERS

- “A” team rosters will be entered on your team page by June 1, 2021.
- “AA” your official MSF rosters will must be submitted via email to the league director by June 1, 2021. The roster form can be found at :



ROSTERS

EQUIPMENT

One of these stamps must be on the bat.

BAT STAMP REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE 10 TO 12



BAT STAMP REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE 13 & UP



QUALIFIER: JUNE 25-27

(TOURNAMENT WEEK)

- **10AA NYA**
- **11AA Kimball**
- **12AA HLWW**
- **13AA Maple Lake**
- **14AA Hutchinson**

STATE: JULY 23-25

- **10AA Mankato**
- **11AA Albert Lea**
- **12AA Sartell**
- **13AA Marshall**
- **14AA Austin**



2021 AA TOURNAMENTS

JULY 16-18

- **10A HLWW & Annandale**
- **12A Hanover & ??**
- **14A Hutchinson**



2021 A TOURNAMENTS

- League play :
 - A minimum of 7 players is required to begin a game or to continue a game. Automatic outs for the 8th and/or 9th spots in the batting order. ***CHANGE: UNLESS BOTH COACHES MUTUALLY AGREE NOT TO TAKE THE AUTOMATIC OUT(S) FOR THE OPEN SPOT(S) IN THE ORDER.***
 - New pitchers may take up to (7) seven warmup pitches in the half inning. Returning pitchers may take up to (5) warm up pitcher in the half inning.
- Tournament play:
 - 14A & 12A games are 6 innings. 10A games are 5 innings. 1:40 time limit.
 - 12AA, 11AA, 10AA games are 6 innings with 1:40 time limit.
 - 13AA & 14AA games are 7 innings with 2:00 time limit.
 - No time limit in the championship game. Run rule remains in effect.



LEAGUE RULE CHANGES

- 14AA & 13AA = 95/day; 160/tournament
- 12AA & 11AA = 85/day; 150/tournament
- 10AA = 75/day; 140/tournament

- 14A = 3 innings per game
- 12A = 2 innings per game (may pitch 3 if 7-innings are played)
- 10A = 2 innings per game



PITCH LIMITS

- **14AA, 13AA:** Metal cleats are permitted.
- **All ages:** Bat the bench is mandatory. Minimum of two (2) innings on defense per player is mandatory.
- **All ages:** 7 run limit per inning except the last inning.
- **All ages:** Infield fly rule is in effect.
- **14AA, 13AA, 12AA:** dropped 3rd strike is in effect.
- **11AA, 10AA:** D3K the batter is out and may not advance. Baserunners may attempt to advance.
- **11AA:** Runners may not leave the base until the ball leaves the pitcher's hand. (dead ball out)
- **10AA:** Runners may not leave the base until the ball crosses home plate. (dead ball out)
- **10AA:** A balk is a "no pitch". Explain with no penalty.



'AA' RULE REMINDERS

- **14A:** Metal cleats are permitted.
- **All ages:** Bat the bench is mandatory. Minimum of two (2) innings on defense per player is mandatory.
- **All ages:** 5 (five) run limit per inning for the first five (5) innings.
- **All ages:** Infield fly rule is in effect.
- **14A, 12A:** dropped 3rd strike is in effect.
- **10A:** D3K the batter is out and may not advance. Baserunners may attempt to advance.
- **10A:** Runners may not leave the base until the ball crosses home plate. (dead ball out)
- **10A:** Stealing 2B & 3B is permitted. Runners may not steal home.
- **12A, 10A:** A balk is a “no pitch”. Explain with no penalty.
- **10A:** Each coach can decide for their team whether to play three (3) or four (4) outfielders.
- **12A:** The home team may decide whether the game will be played with four (4) outfielders.

‘A’ RULE REMINDERS



WEATHER RELATED

- 7 days to reschedule.
- If neither coach attempts to reschedule, it will be a forfeit for both teams.
- Keep and email trail of communication.
- Contact your director if a coach isn't responding.
- If one coach is trying to set a date and the other will not agree, it will result in a win/forfeit.



NON-WEATHER RELATED

- The opposing coach has the option to take the win.
- When a new date is agreed upon it becomes THE date of the game.
- Please make every effort to play the games for the boys.



MAKEUP GAMES



- The league will not cancel play due to extreme heat.
- Take proper precautions to ensure player safety.
- Keep cold towels in coolers with ice.
- Make sure players are drinking water in days leading up to the anticipated heat, as well as during games.
- Players need to be prepared to play a number of games in the heat during tournament play.



HEAT INDEX

- Report your scores on a weekly basis.
- Update your schedule if a game is cancelled/postponed/forfeited.
- Contact the opposing coach if a game is canceled for any reason (75 minute rule).
- Reply in a timely manner to opposing coaches about reschedules.
- Ensure that your players have legal and safe equipment.
- Ensure that your field is properly groomed and ready for play.
- **Ensure that your players are having a GREAT EXPERIENCE!**

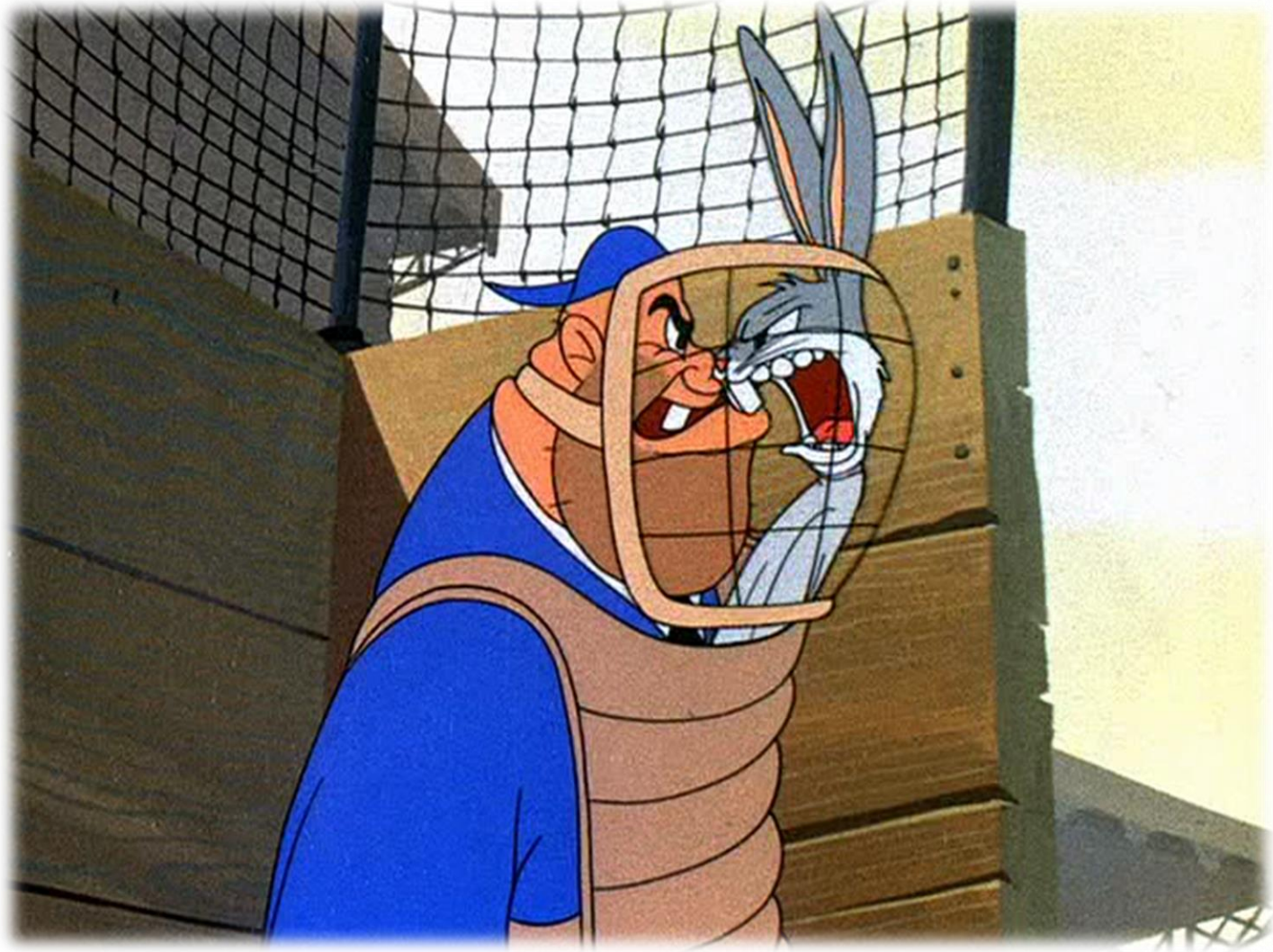


COACH RESPONSIBILITY

- Set the example for your players and fans with proper behavior.
- Fight for your players in the proper manner. Maintain control and respect.
- Make sure that your body language and words are not demeaning or threatening. This is determined by the other person.
- You are teaching your players how to treat umpires as well as other authority figures.
- **Your fans will take your lead.**



COACH RESPONSIBILITY



BE NICE TO THE UMPIRES!



QUESTION & ANSWER

- Report your scores every week.
- Communicate with opposing coaches.
- Open your rule book.
- Contact Raquel with questions:
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**HAVE FUN!
LET YOUR PLAYERS
SEE AND FEEL
YOUR LOVE FOR
THE GAME. TEACH
THEM POSITIVE
LIFE LESSONS
ALONG THE WAY.**

REMINDERS

If you never lose,
then you can never
appreciate the
victories.



Have a great season!