

Central Chesterfield Little League
2025 Tournament Selection Process

a. General:

All players in CCLL who meet Little League International eligibility requirements are eligible for selection for Tournament Team(s). Tournament teams include District Teams and Invitational Teams.

b. Key Dates: These dates apply to both District and Invitational Teams.

April 12th: Tournament Strategy approval by Board

April 13th – April 19th: Tournament Manager Application window

April 21st: Tournament Managers approved by the Board

April 13th – May 15th: Tournament team registration opens on www.ccllbaseball.com

May 5th – May 10th: Player All-Star voting (minor and up)

● **District All-Star Teams Only:**

May 16th: All-Star Tryouts

May 17th: Tournament roster submission to player agent

May 18th: Board approval for tournament rosters

May 18th: Player notifications begin (after Board approval)

May 18th: Tournament assistant coach listing submitted for approval

May 18-20th (TBD): Uniform Fittings

● **Invitational All-Star Teams Only:**

May 16th: All-Star Tryouts (TBD by Tournament Strategy)

June 5th: Tournament roster submission to player agent

June 6th: Board approval for tournament rosters

June 7th: Player notifications begin

June 8th: Tournament assistant coach listing submitted for approval

June 8-10th (TBD): Uniform Fittings

c. Tournament Team Strategy:

1. CCLL Board Members are responsible to make a recommendation to the Board for tournament strategy based on availability of tournaments, players, and projected competitiveness with other leagues. Recommendations must be submitted to the Board for a vote no later than April 12th.

2. The tournament strategy should include what tournaments to enter, how many teams will compete for CCLL at each division and which teams will be selected by tryouts as opposed to Tournament manager picks.

d. Manager Selection:

1. Managers/Coaches interested in managing a tournament team will submit a completed CCLL Manager-Coach Tournament Application to a representative of the Board of Directors (Board) between April 13th-April 19th.
2. The Board will hold a vote to appoint District tournament managers and Invitational tournament managers along with alternate manager(s) on April 21st. Selected manager(s) and alternates will be notified within 48 hours of their selection.

e. Manager Duties:

1. Once the District/Invitational manager(s) is placed on notice that he or she will manage the team, they are required to perform the following duties:
 - a. Verify again that they are able to manage the team through the entire process, for district teams that includes: Districts, States, Regional, and World Series tournaments. Invitational tournament team managers must be available for the duration of the invitational tournament.
 - b. Scout players at their division and/or players available for tournament play at another division level (e.g., player at Intermediate level that may be eligible for Major level tournament).
 - c. Attend All-Star try-outs on May 16th or alternate date (if applicable). The Tournament Team managers are required at this tryout in order to assess the skills of the players that have declared their eligibility for tournament teams. If unable to attend the tryout they must notify the Coaching Coordinator in advance.
 - d. Conduct themselves in an appropriate manner as a steward of CCLL.
2. During the scouting process, the District/Invitational manager(s) is required to watch as many games at their level as possible, with the goal of scouting potential talent for selection. The manager will be unobtrusive to all parties involved in the process.

3. The District/Invitational manager(s) will recommend eligible assistant coaches to the board for approval by May 18th and June 8th respectively.

f. Player Selection:

1. Players wishing to play on tournament teams must declare their eligibility by registering on the CCLL website at www.ccllbaseball.com between April 13th - May 15th. Registration enables the player to participate in All-Star Tryouts and does not guarantee a tournament team position. The Player Agent will ensure all players ineligible for tournament play are informed if they have registered for a tournament team no later than May 15th.

Exception: After all District All-star teams have formed, an Invitational tournament manager may select a player that has not registered for all-star eligibility. Prior to contacting the player, the Invitational tournament manager must get clearance from the Player Agent that the player is eligible for tournament play.

2. Players declaring their eligibility by registering must participate in All-Star Tryouts on May 16th in order to be considered for a Tournament Team. If a player has a conflict with this date, they must contact the Player Agent by May 13th for an exception and alternative.

Exception: If the tournament team does not require tryouts as determined by the Tournament Strategy board decision, the player is not required to participate in All-Star Tryouts.

3. Players will have the opportunity to vote for up to 2 players from their team they feel should be on the All-Star Team. They can use one of their votes to vote for themselves. This vote is a non-binding recommendation being made from the players to the Tournament Team managers. The player vote will be conducted between May 5th and May 10th for the Minor, Major, Intermediate and Junior/Senior divisions. The results of the vote will be shared with Tournament Team managers by May 15th.
4. Tournament Team managers will submit their recommended rosters, and 5 alternate players to the Player Agent by the prescribed date in key dates above. The Board will approve all Tournament Team rosters. Tournament Team rosters will be approved starting with the oldest division to the youngest division. In

addition, District Team rosters will be approved prior to Invitational Team rosters. Tournament Team player rosters must be approved by a majority vote of the board.

5. The Player Agent will provide the approved Tournament Team rosters and alternate players to the Tournament Team managers by email 24 hours after board approval. Upon receipt of the approved rosters the managers will contact the tournament players and inform them they have been selected to the team. Managers must not notify any players prior to receipt of the approved roster from the Board. Managers must attempt to contact players within 24 hours after receipt of the approved roster. Managers must notify the Player Agent of any player that is not contacted and/or doesn't accept the roster position within that time frame.
6. If a player declines for any reason, the Tournament Team manager will notify the Player Agent for approval to select one of the alternate players listed on the approved registered player list.

g. Manager Removal:

1. If any member of the Board is under the belief that the selected tournament manager is not fulfilling his or her duties, it shall immediately be brought to the attention of the Coaching Coordinator. The Coaching Coordinator will investigate and if verified, will notify the President of the situation. If the Coaching Coordinator's child is on the manager's team in question or the Coaching Coordinator is a Tournament Team Manager, the investigation of the situation will be referred to the President to verify.
2. Once verified the President will notify all parties involved of a special meeting of the Board to discuss the situation for the purpose of either removing the manager(s) or providing direction to the manager(s) on the execution of duties. Each party will be offered an opportunity to speak during a specified time frame and managed by the President, VP of Baseball, VP of Operations and Coaching Coordinator. If the Board replaces the manager with an alternate manager, the Board will nominate and approve an alternate manager as quickly as possible.
3. Once the decision is made, the Board will notify the Manager(s) of the decision either verbally and/or in writing by the President, VP of Baseball or VP of Operations as soon as reasonably possible.