### **Central Chesterfield Little League**

**Tournament Selection Process** 

#### **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.

### **Key Dates:**

### **District & Invitational All-Stars**

April 14th: Tournament Strategy approval by Board

April 14th-April 20th: Tournament Manager Application window

April 21st-May 14th: Tournament team registration opens on www.ccllbaseball.com

April 21st: Tournament Managers approved by the Board

May 15th: All-Star Tryouts

**April 29th – May 11th:** Player All-Star voting (minor and up) **May 16th:** Tournament roster submission to player agent

May 17th: Board approval for tournament rosters

May 18th: Player notifications begin

May 19th: Tournament assistant coach listing submitted to the board for approval

# A. <u>Tournament Team Strategy:</u>

- 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 14th.
- 2. The tournament strategy would include what tournaments to enter, and how many teams will compete for CCLL at each division.

## B. 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 14<sup>th</sup>-April 20<sup>th</sup>.

2. The Board will vote on April 14th to choose the tournament strategy and determine what tournament teams CCLL will designate. Additionally, the Board will hold a vote to appoint tournament managers and alternate manager(s) based on the application windows on April 21st. Selected manager(s) and alternates will be notified within 48 hours of their selection.

### C. 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 team that includes: Districts, States, Regional, and World Series tournaments. Invitational tournament team managers must be available for the duration of the 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. 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 19<sup>th</sup>.

## D. 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 21st-May 14th. 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 14th.
- 2. Players declaring their eligibility by registering must participate in All-Star Tryouts on May 15<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> for an exception and alternative. The Tournament Team managers are required to be present at this tryout in order to assess the skills of the players that have declared their eligibility for tournament teams.

- 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 April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 11<sup>th</sup> for the Minor, Major, Intermediate and Junior/Senior divisions. The results of the vote will be shared with Tournament Team managers on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. Tournament Team managers will submit their recommended rosters, and 5 alternate players to the Player Agent by the end of day May 16<sup>th</sup> after tryouts have concluded. The Board will approve all Tournament Team rosters by May 17<sup>th</sup>. 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 e-mail 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 no earlier than May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- 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.

## E. 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 verify the situation. If verified the Coaching Coordinator will notify the President of the situation. If the Coaching Coordinators 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 provide direction to the manager(s) on the execution of duties. Each party will be offered an opportunity to speak during a specified time frame assigned 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 another alternate manager.
- 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.