



2022 SCHOOL TOURNAMENT SERIES
SGT GEOFF WALSH BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
JUNE 9TH TO 12TH

SCHEDULE V5 & RULES

2022 Sgt Geoff Walsh Tournament – Competitive Division

Teams		
St. Edward's	Paradise Int	Newtown 3
Elizabeth Park (EPE)	Vanier	Mary Queen of Peace (MQP)
Newtown 1	Newtown 2	Roncalli
	Newtown 4	St. Francis

Competitive Division Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	St. Edward's	EPE	5:00 PM	Little St. Pat's
Thursday, June 9 th	2	Newtown 1	MQP	7:30 PM	Little St. Pat's
Thursday, June 9 th	3	St. Francis	Newtown 4	4:00 PM	Terra Nova
Thursday, June 9 th	4	Roncalli	Newtown 3	6:00 PM	Terra Nova
Thursday, June 9 th	5	Newtown 2	Paradise Int	5:30 PM	Kilbride
Saturday, June 11th	6	Paradise Int	Vanier	10:00 AM	Little St. Pat's
Saturday, June 11th	7	Newtown 4	St. Edward's	10:00 AM	Terra Nova
Saturday, June 11th	8	MQP	Roncalli	12:30 PM	Little St. Pat's
Saturday, June 11th	9	Newtown 3	St. Francis	2:30 PM	Little St. Pat's
Saturday, June 11th	10	EPE	Newtown 1	5:00 PM	Little St. Pat's
Saturday, June 11th	11	Vanier	Newtown 2	7:30 PM	Little St. Pat's

Competitive Division Tier 1 Crossover and Medal Games

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Sunday, June 12 th	1	5 th Place	1 st Place	9:00 AM	Little St. Pat's
Sunday, June 12 th	2	3 rd Place	2 nd Place	11:30 AM	Little St. Pat's
Sunday, June 12 th	3	1 st Place	4 th Place	2:00 PM	Little St. Pat's
Sunday, June 12 th	4	2 nd Place	5 th Place	4:30 PM	Little St. Pat's
Sunday, June 12 th	5	4 th Place	3 rd Place	7:00 PM	Little St. Pat's
Monday, June 13th	Championship	2 nd Best Total Record	1 st Best Total Record	7:30 PM	Little St. Pat's

Competitive Division Tier 2 Crossover and Medal Games

Division Red	Division Black
6 th Place	7 th Place
9 th Place	8 th Place
10 th Place	11 th Place

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Sunday, June 12 th	1	9 th Place	6 th Place	9:00 AM	Terra Nova
Sunday, June 12 th	2	11 th Place	7 th Place	11:30 AM	Terra Nova
Sunday, June 12 th	3	6 th Place	10 th Place	2:00 PM	Terra Nova
Sunday, June 12 th	4	7 th Place	8 th Place	4:30 PM	Terra Nova
Monday, June 13th	5	11th Place	8th Place	5:00 PM	Little St. Pat's
Monday, June 13th	6	10th Place	9th Place	5:00 PM	Terra Nova
Tuesday, June 14th	Championship	1st in Division Red	1st in Division Black	5:30 PM	Little St. Pat's

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2022 Sgt Geoff Walsh Tournament – Non-Competitive Divisions

Division A	Division B	Division C	Division D	Division E	Division F	Division G	Division H
St. Francis	Juniper Blue	Roncalli 2	Roncalli 1	St. Mary's	St. Teresa's 3	St. Teresa's 2	St. Teresa's 1
Juniper Black	Brookside 1	Juniper Green	Juniper Orange	St. Bon's	Villanova	Mary Queen of the World (MQW)	Cowan Heights
Brookside 2	Lakecrest	MDE	East Point	Elizabeth Park	Newtown 2	Newtown 1	Paradise Int

Non-Competitive Division A Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	Juniper Black	Brookside 2	4:30 PM	Conway Glen
Thursday, June 9 th	2	Brookside 2	St. Francis	6:00 PM	Conway Glen
Saturday, June 11th	3	St. Francis	Juniper Black	10:00 AM	Conway Glen

Non-Competitive Division B Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	Lakecrest	Brookside 1	5:30 PM	Airport Heights
Thursday, June 9 th	2	Brookside 1	Juniper Blue	7:00 PM	Airport Heights
Saturday, June 11th	3	Juniper Blue	Lakecrest	11:30 AM	Conway Glen

Non-Competitive Division C Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	Roncalli 2	Juniper Green	4:30 PM	Wyatt Park
Thursday, June 9 th	2	Juniper Green	MDE	6:00 PM	Wyatt Park
Saturday, June 11th	3	MDE	Roncalli 2	10:00 AM	Wyatt Park

Non-Competitive Division D Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	Roncalli 1	East Point	4:30 PM	Virginia Park
Thursday, June 9 th	2	East Point	Juniper Orange	6:00 PM	Virginia Park
Saturday, June 11th	3	Juniper Orange	Roncalli 1	11:30 AM	Wyatt Park

Non-Competitive Division E Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	St. Bon's	St. Mary's	6:00 PM	Kitty Gaul
Saturday, June 11 th	2	Elizabeth Park	St. Bon's	10:00 AM	Kitty Gaul
Saturday, June 11 th	3	St. Mary's	Elizabeth Park	11:30 AM	Kitty Gaul

Non-Competitive Division F Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	St. Teresa's 3	Newtown 2	4:30 PM	Kelly's Brook
Saturday, June 11 th	2	Villanova	St. Teresa's 3	10:00 AM	Kelly's Brook
Saturday, June 11 th	3	Newtown 2	Villanova	11:30 AM	Kelly's Brook

Non- Competitive Division G Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	St. Teresa's 2	MQW	6:00 PM	Kelly's Brook
Saturday, June 11 th	2	MQW	Newtown 1	10:00 AM	Virginia Park
Saturday, June 11 th	3	Newtown 1	St. Teresa's 2	11:30 AM	Virginia Park

Non-Competitive Division H Round Robin Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Time	Field
Thursday, June 9 th	1	Cowan Heights	St. Teresa's 1	4:30 PM	Kitty Gaul
Saturday, June 11 th	2	Paradise Int	Cowan Heights	10:00 AM	Airport Heights
Saturday, June 11 th	3	St. Teresa's 1	Paradise Int	11:30 AM	Airport Heights

Non-Competitive Division Tier One Teams

Division AA – Airport Heights	Division BB – Virginia Park
1 st in A	1 st in B
1 st in C	1 st in D
1 st in E	1 st in F
1 st in G	1 st in H

Non-Competitive Division Tier Two Teams

Division CC – Conway Glen	Division DD – Kitty Gaul
2 nd in A	2 nd in B
2 nd in C	2 nd in D
2 nd in E	2 nd in F
2 nd in G	2 nd in H

Non-Competitive Division Tier Three Teams

Division EE – Wyatt Park	Division FF – Kelly's Brook
3 rd in A	3 rd in B
3 rd in C	3 rd in D
3 rd in E	3 rd in F
3 rd in G	3 rd in H

Non-Competitive Division Tier One Schedule

Date	Game	Team A	Team B	Time	Field
Saturday, June 11 th	AA	1 st in A	1 st in E	3:30 PM	Airport Heights
Saturday, June 11 th	BB	1 st in B	1 st in F	3:30 PM	Virginia Park
Saturday, June 11 th	AA	1 st in C	1 st in G	5:00 PM	Airport Heights
Saturday, June 11 th	BB	1 st in D	1 st in H	5:00 PM	Virginia Park
Sunday, June 12th	AA	1st in A	1st in C	9:00 AM	Airport Heights
Sunday, June 12th	BB	1st in B	1st in D	9:00 AM	Virginia Park
Sunday, June 12th	AA	1st in E	1st in G	10:30 AM	Airport Heights
Sunday, June 12th	BB	1st in F	1st in H	10:30 AM	Virginia Park
Sunday, June 12th	AA	1st in A	1st in G	4:00 PM	Airport Heights
Sunday, June 12th	BB	1st in B	1st in H	4:00 PM	Virginia Park
Sunday, June 12th	AA	1st in C	1st in E	5:30 PM	Airport Heights
Sunday, June 12th	BB	1st in D	1st in F	5:30 PM	Virginia Park

Non-Competitive Division Tier Two Schedule

Date	Game	Team A	Team B	Time	Field
Saturday, June 11 th	CC	2 nd in A	2 nd in E	3:30 PM	Conway Glen
Saturday, June 11 th	DD	2 nd in B	2 nd in F	3:30 PM	Kitty Gaul
Saturday, June 11 th	CC	2 nd in C	2 nd in G	5:00 PM	Conway Glen
Saturday, June 11 th	DD	2 nd in D	2 nd in H	5:00 PM	Kitty Gaul
Sunday, June 12th	CC	2nd in A	2nd in C	9:00 AM	Conway Glen
Sunday, June 12th	DD	2nd in B	2nd in D	9:00 AM	Kitty Gaul
Sunday, June 12th	CC	2nd in E	2nd in G	10:30 AM	Conway Glen
Sunday, June 12th	DD	2nd in F	2nd in H	10:30 AM	Kitty Gaul
Sunday, June 12th	CC	2nd in A	2nd in G	4:00 PM	Conway Glen
Sunday, June 12th	DD	2nd in B	2nd in H	4:00 PM	Kitty Gaul
Sunday, June 12th	CC	2nd in C	2nd in E	5:30 PM	Conway Glen
Sunday, June 12th	DD	2nd in D	2nd in F	5:30 PM	Kitty Gaul

Non-Competitive Division Tier Three Schedule

Date	Game	Team A	Team B	Time	Field
Saturday, June 11 th	EE	3 rd in A	3 rd in E	3:30 PM	Wyatt Park
Saturday, June 11 th	FF	3 rd in B	3 rd in F	3:30 PM	Kelly's Brook
Saturday, June 11 th	EE	3 rd in C	3 rd in G	5:00 PM	Wyatt Park
Saturday, June 11 th	FF	3 rd in D	3 rd in H	5:00 PM	Kelly's Brook
Sunday, June 11th	EE	3rd in A	3rd in C	9:00 AM	Wyatt Park
Sunday, June 12th	FF	3rd in B	3rd in D	9:00 AM	Kelly's Brook
Sunday, June 11th	EE	3rd in E	3rd in G	10:30 AM	Wyatt Park
Sunday, June 12th	FF	3rd in F	3rd in H	10:30 AM	Kelly's Brook
Sunday, June 11th	EE	3rd in A	3rd in G	4:00 PM	Wyatt Park
Sunday, June 12th	FF	3rd in B	3rd in H	4:00 PM	Kelly's Brook
Sunday, June 11th	EE	3rd in C	3rd in E	5:30 PM	Wyatt Park
Sunday, June 12th	FF	3rd in D	3rd in F	5:30 PM	Kelly's Brook

Non-Competitive Medal Games

Date	Game	Team A	Team B	Time	Field
Monday, June 13 th	Gold Medal – Tier 3 (1 st in EE & 1 st in FF)			4:30 PM	Wyatt Park
Monday, June 13 th	Gold Medal – Tier 2 (1 st in CC & 1 st in DD)			6:00 PM	Wyatt Park
Monday, June 13 th	Gold Medal – Tier 1 (1 st in AA & 1 st in BB)			7:30 PM	Little St. Pat's

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Tournament Information and Rules

General Information:

1. Tournament starts Thursday, June 9th and finishes Sunday, June 12th
2. This event is open to Grade 5 and 6 students, and teams play by similar rules of the St. John's Minor Baseball Association except for some adjustments made for tournament play that are listed below.
3. The competitive division will play games out of Little St. Pat's, Kilbride, and Terra Nova. The non-competitive divisions will be playing games out of Wyatt Park, Virginia Park, Airport Heights, Kitty Gaul, Conway Glenn, Bannerman, Kilbride, and Terra Nova
4. A 2022 Sgt. Geoff Walsh Memorial Baseball Tournament link will be added to the top menu of the St. John's Minor Baseball website. Please check this webpage (www.baseballstjohns.ca) for daily updated tournament information e.g. schedule changes, weather delays, etc.

Rules for Participation (Competitive Division):

1. Teams can dress no more than **20 players a game**. If any one team has more than 20 players, they must be rotated on a game-by-game basis.
2. All players are in the batting lineup, whether or not they play in the field.
3. Coaches must rotate their players throughout the defensive line-up to ensure fair play. There will be unlimited substitutions for position players. NOTE: If a pitcher is removed as a pitcher, they cannot re-enter the game as a pitcher.
4. All home teams will be decided by the schedule in the round robin and crossover games. The higher seed will be the home team in the medal games.

5. Players must wear their respective school's full uniform. For some teams, this may just be having all players wearing the same colour. There is no expectation to have jersey numbers.
6. Catchers must wear a protective cup.
7. All batters must wear helmets when on deck or at bat.
8. Players must run on and off the field between innings.
9. **Nine defensive players are permitted on the field.**
10. Bunting is permitted
11. **Lead offs are NOT permitted**
12. **Stealing IS permitted**
13. The runner can advance one base on an overthrow.
14. On a steal of a base, the runner can only advance **one base regardless of the outcome of the throw.** i.e. If a runner is stealing at the time of the pitch, the runner cannot go any farther.
15. **The runner cannot steal home on a pass ball or a wild pitch.** The batter can only score on a batted ball.
16. On an attempted pickoff of a runner, the runner can only advance **one base regardless of the outcome of the throw.**
17. The infield fly rule is in effect.
18. Runners may tag and run to the next base after a fly ball is caught at their own risk.
19. **If the catcher misses the ball on the third strike, the batter will be called out.**
20. All players should slide on a close play at home.

21. **The collision avoidance rule has been modified to ensure the safety of the catcher and the base runner. This rule states if a base runner is running to home plate and is halfway or closer to home plate, a force out situation is now created. The catcher, having possession of the ball, may touch home plate and the runner will be called "out" by the umpire.**
22. Each game will be 6 innings. No inning is to start one hour and forty five minutes (**1:45**) from the start time.
23. A maximum of 3 runs may be scored in any one inning, with the exception of the last inning, which is open.
24. If, after the **4th inning**, one team leads by 10 runs or more, that team will be awarded the game. The game may be continued at the discretion of the coaches, but the result will be official after the 10-run rule is registered.
25. **The score shall be kept by the coaches and confirmed with the home plate umpire throughout the game. It is requested that the game stats be emailed to Kristyn Coley at kristyn@sjmba.ca (including the pitchers innings)**
26. The BNL tie-breaking formula will apply with respect to a tie after the round robin play. The exception will be that there will be no tie breaking games and all ties will be broken by the formula.
27. There will be no protest. This is a fun tournament and any disagreement will be dealt with by the umpires at the time.
28. Foul language will not be tolerated. Any player or coach using such language will be ejected from the game immediately.
29. Players must be rotated on consistent bases from game to game to ensure that all students have equal opportunity to participate and to ensure that players do not sit out two games in a row. This process of rotation will extend into any cross over games and the championship game. Coaches are to plan their line-ups and strategies with this in mind.

Playing Field:

- The distance between the bases shall be 70 feet.
- The distance from the point of home plate to the front of the pitching rubber shall be 48 feet.

Pitching Rules

1. A pitcher can only pitch 6 innings
2. Pitchers may only pitch 2 innings per game.
3. **Pitchers may not pitch 3 days in a row**
4. **A player can catch and then pitch but may not pitch and then catch**

Rules for Participation (Non-Competitive Division)

1. Teams can dress no more than **20 players a game**. If any one team has more than 20 players, they must be rotated on a game-by-game basis.
2. All players are in the batting lineup, whether or not they play in the field.
3. Home Team is noted on the schedule for round robin games (with the exception of Division B). Home team in the tiered divisions will be de a coin toss games. The team with the better record will be the home team in the medal game. If the record is the same, then it will be a coin toss.
4. Coaches must rotate their players throughout the defensive line-up to ensure fair play. All players should play infield and outfield positions when possible. Note: If a coach feels that a player may suffer physically or psychologically by playing a certain position (specifically pitcher or 1st base) then he/she will discuss this with the player's parents/guardians before making this decision.
5. Each game will be 6 innings. No inning is to start one hour and fifteen minutes from the start time.
6. Ten defensive players are permitted on the field. The tenth player is a fourth outfield (Strictly enforced).
7. All batters must wear helmets when on deck or at bat.

8. **Catchers will be used. Umpires will be responsible for pitching. We would appreciate if possible for a coach to remain behind the catcher to throw back balls. It helps with the speed of the game. Coaches are not to touch live balls.**
9. After 3 overhand strikes, the umpire will move in and pitch 3 underhand strikes. After this a tee will be used. **This is at the discretion of the umpires.**
10. An inning will be complete after 3 outs are made or 3 runs are scored.
11. **There is NO open inning at the end of the game.** In the event that the game is tied, the team with the most defensive outs made throughout the game will be awarded the winner (i.e. A game is tied 10 to 10 after 6 innings, team A made 8 outs throughout the game but team B made 9 outs, team B is awarded a 11 to 10 win). Therefore it's important for coaches to keep track of outs throughout the game.
12. Players must return to the bench when an out is recorded.
13. **One base on an overthrow.** One overthrow is allowed per play to encourage players to try to make the play. For example, if the ball is overthrown to 1st base, the runner can advance at his own risk to 2nd. If the ball is overthrown on the same play to 2nd, the runner remains on 2nd.
14. **Leadoffs and stealing are not permitted**
15. Throwing the ball back to the pitcher will end the play. **If this occurs when a runner is less than half-way to a base, the runner must return to the prior base.**
16. One coach per team can stay in the outfield during defensive play to direct players. Coaches are not allowed to touch live balls or interfere with live plays.
17. The collision avoidance rule has been modified to ensure the safety of the catcher and the base runner. This rule states if a base runner is running to home plate and is halfway or closer to home plate, a force out situation is now created. The catcher, having possession of the ball, may touch home plate and the runner will be called "out" by the umpire.
18. **Score is kept by the coaches and validated with the officials several times during the game. It is requested that the game stats be emailed to Kristyn Coley at kristyn@sjmba.ca.**

19. There will be no protest. This is a fun tournament and any disagreement will be dealt with by the Umpires at the time.
20. Foul language will not be tolerated. Any player or coach using such language will be ejected from the game immediately.
21. **Under no circumstances will the bottom of the inning be played if the home team is winning. Tie-breaker rules are based on defensive runs allowed.**
22. Players must be rotated on consistent bases from game to game to ensure that all students have equal opportunity to participate and to ensure that players do not sit out two games in a row. This process of rotation will extend into any cross over games and the championship game. Coaches are to plan their line-ups and strategies with this in mind.
23. **Teams that finish 1st in their division will be seeded in Tier 1, teams that finish 2nd will be seeded in Tier 2 and teams that finish 3rd will be seeded in Tier 3. This will be based on BNL tie-breaking formula. These placings will be emailed out and posted on our website as they come in but no later than 10:00 PM on Friday evening.**

Playing Field:

1. The distance between the bases shall be 60 feet.
2. The distance from the point of home plate to the front of the pitching rubber shall be 44 feet.

If there are any questions don't hesitate to contact. Looking forward to a great tournament!

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