



2023 SCHOOL TOURNAMENT SERIES JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL TOURNAMENT MAY 24TH TO 28TH

SCHEDULE V7 & RULES

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2023 Junior High Schedule

Teams		
Beaconsfield	Brother Rice	Frank Roberts
Juniper Ridge	Lakecrest	MacDonald Drive
Mount Pearl Intermediate	Paradise Int	St. Paul's
St. Paul's (Gander)	St. Peter's	St. Peter's (CBN)
Villanova		

Round Robin Schedule

Date	Visitor	Home	Location	Time
Wednesday, May 24th	MacDonald Drive	Juniper Ridge	Airport Heights	4:00 PM
Wednesday, May 24th	St. Paul's	St. Peter's	Airport Heights	6:30 PM
Wednesday, May 24 th	Paradise Int	Beaconsfield	Airport Heights	8:30 PM
Thursday, May 25th	Mount Pearl Int	Beaconsfield	Wishingwell	4:00 PM
Thursday, May 25th	Frank Roberts	St. Peter's (CBN)	Wishingwell	6:00 PM
Thursday, May 25th	Brother Rice	Lakecrest	Airport Heights	4:00 PM
Thursday, May 25th	St. Peter's	Villanova	Airport Heights	6:30 PM
Saturday, May 27 th	Villanova	Frank Roberts	Wishingwell	9:00 AM
Saturday, May 27 th	Brother Rice	St. Paul's (Gander)	Airport Heights	9:00 AM
Saturday, May 27 th	Juniper Ridge	Paradise Int	Wishingwell	11:30 AM
Saturday, May 27 th	St. Peter's (CBN)	Mount Pearl Int	Airport Heights	11:30 AM
Saturday, May 27 th	Lakecrest	Macdonald Drive	Wishingwell	2:00 PM
Saturday, May 27 th	St. Paul's (Gander)	St. Paul's	Airport Heights	2:00 PM

Tier 1 Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Location	Time
Sunday, May 28 th	Semi 1	St. Peter's	MacDonald Drive	Airport Heights	2:00 PM
Sunday, May 28 th	Semi 2	Mount Pearl Int	St. Paul's (Gander)	Wishingwell	11:30 AM
Sunday, May 28th	Champ	Winner of Semi 1	Winner of Semi 2	Airport Heights	7:30 PM

Tier 2 Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Location	Time
Sunday, May 28 th	Semi 1	Juniper Ridge	Paradise Int	Airport Heights	11:30 AM
Sunday, May 28 th	Semi 2	Brother Rice	Frank Roberts	Wishingwell	9:00 AM
Sunday, May 28th	Champ	Winner of Semi 1	Winner of Semi 2	Airport Heights	5:00 PM

Tier 3 Schedule

Date	Game	Visitor	Home	Location	Time
Saturday, May 27 th	QF	Lakecrest	St. Paul's	Airport Heights	6:00 PM
Saturday, May 27 th	Semi 1	Villanova	Beaconsfield	Airport Heights	8:30 PM
Sunday, May 28 th	Semi 2	Winner of QF	St. Peter's (CBN)	Airport Heights	9:00 AM
Sunday, May 28th	Champ	Winner of SF 1	Winner of SF 2	Wishingwell	2:00 PM

Tournament Rules

General Information:

1. Tournament will run from **Wednesday, May 24th to Sunday, May 28th**
2. This is a competitive tournament comprised of 13 teams from schools within the Newfoundland English School District.
3. This event is open to 13U & 15U aged players (**girls and boys Grades 7 - 9**). Lead-offs and stealing bases are permitted, and pitchers use the same techniques that Major League pitchers do to hold runners on base. All players remain in the batting line-up and rotate equally in the field.
4. **Games are based on SJMBA 15U Rules**, but exceptions have been created specifically for tournament play. The rules used for this event are listed below under the **Playing Rules** section (see below).
5. Games will be played at Airport Heights and Wishingwell fields in St. John's.
6. All teams are guaranteed 3 games.
7. **Each team will get 2 random games. Friday evening, teams will be ranked 1-14. Teams ranked 1-4 will go into Tier 1. Teams ranked 5-8 will go into Tier 2. Teams ranked 9-13 will go into Tier 3.**
8. There is a Tournament Page on 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.

Playing Rules:

Game Duration

- 1) Games will commence at the time indicated on the schedule.
- 2) **In the round robin, Home team will be decided by the schedule. Home team in crossover and medal games are indicated in the schedule. Medal games will be determined by the top seeded team.**
- 3) Games will be **6 innings** in duration or 2 hours in duration, whichever comes first, **3 run max/inning, last inning is open.**
- 4) Please **arrive 15 minutes before game** time for pre-game warm ups.
- 5) Pre-game warm-ups including infield practice may be cut short by the umpire in order to keep the tournament schedule intact. Therefore it is recommended that players warm-up off the playing field prior to each game as the playing schedule may not provide sufficient time for on field warms or infield practice.
- 6) No new inning will commence after **1 hour 45 minutes** from the scheduled start time.
- 7) If an inning cannot be completed within the allocated time due to darkness, the score will revert back to the last full inning.
- 8) If, after the 4th inning, one team leads by 10 runs or more, that team will be awarded the game.
- 9) **Score shall be kept by the coaches and confirmed with the home plate umpire at the end of each inning.** It is requested that the game stats be emailed to Kristyn Coley (kristyn@sjmba.ca). **The coach must record the score and the number of innings played and pitchers used. Please send both the pitchers innings and the scores.**
- 10) Please follow umpires instruction while on the field to ensure safety at all times.

Roster Size

- 11) Teams must have a **minimum of 11 players on their roster**, and there is no maximum number of players for the roster. Teams must have 9 players for start time not to default. **Teams may only dress 15 players per game however.**
- 12) All players are in the batting lineup, whether or not they play in the field. **This includes up to 15 players per game.**
- 13) Nine defensive players are permitted on the field.
- 14) There are unlimited defensive substitutions.

Pitcher Arm Protection Rules

- 15) Any player can pitch but all players must pitch from 15U distance (54').
- 16) **Pitchers can only pitch 6 innings for the entire tournament.**
- 17) Pitchers can pitch a **maximum of 3 innings/game**; the pitcher then can continue to play in the game at another position. **A player cannot pitch and then play the catcher position but a player may catch and then be subbed in to pitch.**

Playing Field

- 18) The distance between the bases shall be **80 feet**.
- 19) The distance from the point of home plate to the front of the pitching rubber shall be **54 feet**.

Uniforms and Equipment

- 20) Teams should dress in full uniform, which includes baseball pants, and baseball cleats. This is not required, but strongly recommended. Schools have the option to wear their own uniforms.
- 21) All players must wear a protective cup while assuming the catcher's position.
- 22) All batters must wear helmets when on deck or at bat.

- 23) **All 15U players (grade 8's and 9's) must use wood bats. 13U players (grade 7's) may use composite bats.**

Game Play

- 24) Bunting is permitted.
- 25) Stealing bases is permitted, including home plate.
- 26) All players should slide on a close play at home.
- 27) Players are permitted to steal the next base when the catcher misses the ball.
- 28) Leading off the bases is permitted.
- 29) Advancing on a wild pitch is permitted.
- 30) The infield fly rule is in effect. This rule results in the batter being called out when a pop fly is hit to the infield with runners on first and second, or first, second or third with less than two out. Runners may advance at own risk.
- 31) Runners may tag and run to the next base after a fly ball is caught at their own risk.
- 32) **If the catcher misses the ball on the third strike, the batter will be called out.**
- 33) Intentional walks are **NOT** permitted.
- 34) Balks by pitchers will result in one warning by the umpire. The next infraction will result in the runners being permitted to advance to the next base.
- 35) Players must run on and off the field between innings.

- 36) Players and Coaches are representing their respective schools as per the terms of their schools athletic contract. Players and Coaches must abide by the terms of these contracts. Unsportsmanlike conduct, foul language and smoking are **NOT** permitted.
- 37) Tie-breaking formula:
- a) The team with the best win-loss record in all games (regardless if teams have played each other) will place higher in the standings
 - b) If the tie still persists, the placement of teams will be dictated by the ratio of number of runs against per defensive inning for all games played.
 - c) If the tie persists, the placement of teams will be dictated by the ratio of runs scored per offensive inning for all games played.
- 38) There will be no tie-breaker games played.

If you have any questions or concerns with respect to this tournament please contact:



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