

2018-2019 WPIAL JR HIGH BASEBALL SCHEDULE

May 29, 2018

REVISED – 10/27/18

First Practice Date ~ March 4, 2019
First Scrimmage Date ~ March 9, 2019
First Play Date ~ March 22, 2019

Maximum Scrimmages ~ 2
Maximum Contests ~ 20

A copy of this schedule must be given to your coach. WPIAL junior high baseball competition begins on **Monday, March 26, 2019**. Athletic Directors and coaches must make all efforts to complete section as assigned. Please check your schedule carefully and notify the League Office at (412) 921-7181 of any errors or omissions.

1. All WPIAL games must be played according to the National Federation Rulebook. There are differences between Federation Rules and other baseball organizations. You should know them.
2. The home team will furnish four new balls at the start of each contest.
3. Only PIAA baseball officials may officiate. The WPIAL recommends the use of two PIAA officials for each baseball game.
4. Please make sure that both teams and the umpires know the correct starting time. This should be established by the home team and made known to the visitors in plenty of time. It is recommended that no afternoon contests start **before 3:30 PM** unless the competing school principals agree.
5. All games must be played on scheduled days. By mutual agreement, schedule adjustments can be made to take advantage of fair weather.
6. **Coaches who elect to handle base line coaching duties or to confer with players and/or umpire must be dressed in the complete uniform that is worn by the players.** No other attire is permitted if the coach wishes to handle this responsibility. Players in uniform may also act as base line coaches.
7. Baseball coaches must be in the dugout or on the bench during a game with the following exceptions:
 - a. **Coaching in the coaching box when his team is at bat.**
 - b. **Executing a pitching or position change.**
 - c. **Attending to an injured player with the approval of the umpire.**

A warning will be given on the first violation; ejection will result on the second violation.

8. If rain or wet grounds prevent the playing of a game, the home team must notify the visiting team at least two hours before game time. **The home school principal must approve this postponement.**
9. **During all WPIAL competition, any game that is interrupted by bad weather prior to becoming a legal game will be resumed at that point on the next available playing date.**

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10. No protests based on play situations of official's decisions involving interpretation or judgment of plays will be considered. In no case will the results of a contest be overturned or the game replayed.
11. The principal may grant waivers for dual participation by team members (with teams outside of school). A letter must be submitted to the League Office announcing the waiver.
12. **A player may throw no more than 200 pitches in one calendar week and may not appear in more than two consecutive days of competition. If a throws between 1-25 pitches no rest is required, 26-50 pitches requires 1 calendar day of rest, 51-75 pitches requires 2 calendar days of rest, 76-100 pitches requires 3 calendar days of rest. If a pitcher reaches the maximum pitch count permitted in a calendar day during an at bat, that pitcher will be permitted to continue to pitch to that batter, or any substitute batter, until such batter is put out or reaches first base or until a third out has been made prior to the end of the at bat. If a pitcher is permitted to throw more than 100 pitches to complete an at bat, that pitcher will be credited with 100 pitches for the appearance.**

A representative of each school MUST record pitch counts for their players in MAXPREPS no later than 9:00 the day following the contest or complete the PIAA verification form.

If a baseball player pitches more innings than are permitted under the "restriction", the school is using an ineligible player (pitcher) and shall forfeit the contest.

13. The Ten Run Rule and Fifteen Run Rule will be in effect for all WPIAL baseball games.
14. The designated hitter (DH) will be part of all games played in the WPIAL.

JR HIGH BASEBALL ALIGNMENT – 24 TEAMS

SECTION 1

BUTLER
CENTRAL CATHOLIC
MARS
NORTH ALLEGHENY
NORTH HILLS
PINE RICHLAND
SENECA VALLEY
FOX CHAPEL

SECTION 2

BROWNSVILLE
CARMICHAELS
HEMPFIELD
LAUREL HIGHLANDS
McGUFFEY
THOMAS JEFFERSON
TRINITY
WEST MIFFLIN

SECTION 3

BALDWIN
BETHEL PARK
CANON McMILLAN
CHARTIERS VALLEY
MOON
MT. LEBANON
PETERS TWP.
UPPER ST. CLAIR

TEAMS DROPPED – Uniontown, Shaler **ADDED:** Fox Chapel