

DILWORTH LITTLE LEAGUE

2012 POST-SEASON INFORMATION

This information is intended to help you understand the different post-season tournaments in which Dilworth Little League participates, along with the dates, expectations, and requirements of those tournaments. Hopefully this will clear up some of the confusion we've seen in the past and help you with your summer plans.

Tournament of Champions (TOCs)

- Begins Saturday, June 16, and tentatively runs through Saturday, June 23. Schedules are set by district officials. Weekday games are in the evening (6:00 and 8:00). Weekend games are in the afternoon. One game per day.
- Practices begin right after the major league tournament.
- These tournaments are sponsored by NC District 3, of which we are a part. District 3 consists of Dilworth, Myers Park, Mint Hill, Weddington, Steele Creek, CoulOak, Lake Norman, and Kannapolis. These tournaments are not connected with the Challenge program in any way.
- These tournaments are completed in one week, with no advancement. They are more informal than the All-Star tournaments.
- Tournaments are for single age teams. Dilworth will field a team in each of the 9, 10, 11, and 12 year old tournaments.
- Tournaments are held at various locations in District 3.
- Typical 3-4 game pool play, followed by a playoff for the top 4 teams.
- Players are selected to these teams by a combination of players' and coaches' votes for 11s and 12s, and coaches' votes only for 9s and 10s.
 - The 10, 11, and 12 year old teams will be selected from major league players. The 9 year old team will consist of major league players and some minor league players. Minor league players will be chosen based on coaches' recommendations.
- Players living outside Dilworth Little League boundaries are eligible to participate in TOCs.

All-Stars

- Typically begins the Saturday after July 4th and runs for a week. These are tentative dates, and are set by district officials. Weekday games are in the evening (6:00 and 8:00). Weekend games are in the afternoon. One game per day.
- Practices begin shortly after the end of the TOC tournaments and may be daily.
- These are official Little League, Inc., sponsored tournaments. This first round is the District tournament. We are part of NC District 3, which consists of Dilworth, Myers Park, Mint Hill, Weddington, Steele Creek, CoulOak, Lake Norman, and Kannapolis. These tournaments are not connected with the Challenge program in any way.
- Tournaments for three age groupings. Dilworth plans to field a team in each of the 9-10, 10-11, and 11-12 tournaments.
 - It is our intent to enter the most competitive teams possible for these tournaments. The 11-12 year old All-Star team will be the highest priority, followed by the 9-10 team, and then the 10-11 team. Teams will be set at 11-13 players.
- District tournament winners advance to state tournaments, typically the last week in July.
 - The 11-12 year old tournament ultimately concludes at the Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA.
 - The 9-10 and 10-11 year old tournaments typically end at the state level.
- District tournaments are held at various locations in District 3.
- Typical 3-4 game pool play, followed by a playoff for the top 4 teams. Possible double elimination format depending on the number of teams in the tournament.
- Players are selected to these teams by a combination of a players' vote and coaches' vote for the 11-12 year old team. The 9-10 and 10-11 teams are selected by the coaches only.
- Only major league players are placed on these teams, with the possible exception of 9-year old minors players on the 9-10 year old team.
- Players must live within Dilworth Little League boundaries, or been grandfathered in by having previously lived within the boundaries. **No exceptions.**
- All players selected to these teams will need to provide proof of residence and age (certified birth certificate) to participate.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Players have always considered it an honor to be selected to play on these teams. We want to be able to announce the team members that will be participating in these tournaments. Please complete the attached form to indicate your player's commitment to participate in practices and games. Missing a few days of practices and even a game does not necessarily prevent selection to a team. If your player is interested in participating, just indicate the days he will not be available so we can plan accordingly.
- Player selection takes place in late May. Teams are announced at closing ceremonies.
- Participation on a Dilworth Challenge team does not guarantee selection to one of these teams.
- It is common for some players to play on both a TOC and an All-Star team, but it should not be an expectation.
- Players that do not submit the commitment form on time will not be considered for a post-season team.

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2012 POST-SEASON COMMITMENT

Please return to your coach by May 12th

PLAYER NAME : _____ TEAM : _____

PARENT SIGNATURE : _____

Please mark both TOC and All-Star sections as appropriate –

TOCs

_____ Player is not interested/available for TOCs

_____ Player is interested and available for TOCs, except as indicated below.
Please place an X through any dates not available for games or practices, or add comments.

June 2012						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						9 TOC PRACTICE
10 TOC PRACTICE	11 TOC PRACTICE	12 TOC PRACTICE	13 TOC PRACTICE	14 TOC PRACTICE	15 TOC PRACTICE	16 TOC GAMES
17 TOC GAMES	18 TOC GAMES	19 TOC GAMES	20 TOC GAMES	21 TOC GAMES	22 TOC GAMES	23 TOC GAMES

All-Stars

_____ Player is not interested/available/eligible for All-Stars

_____ Player is interested and available for All-Stars, except as indicated below.
Please place an X through any dates not available for games or practices, or add comments.

June/July 2012						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 24 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	25 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	26 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	27 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	28 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	29 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	30 ALL-STAR PRACTICE
July 1 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	2 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	3 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	4	5 ALL-STAR PRACTICE	6 ALL-STAR PRACTICE/ GAMES?	7 ALL-STAR GAMES
8 ALL-STAR GAMES	9 ALL-STAR GAMES	10 ALL-STAR GAMES	11 ALL-STAR GAMES	12 ALL-STAR GAMES	13 ALL-STAR GAMES	14 ALL-STAR GAMES