# SOUTH METRO BASEBALL COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

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✓ A Competitive baseball league offered through the cooperation of:

Belton Parks & Recreation – Belton, MO
Raymore Parks & Recreation – Raymore, MO
Pleasant Hill Parks & Recreation – Pleasant Hill, MO

# **SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- ✓ United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) & Official Rules of Baseball (National League) as published by the Sporting News will govern except for the following changes as listed below:
- ✓ SMBL is in accordance with USSSA and Official Major League Baseball rules.

## **U8 – Division rule changes:**

- 1) 5 hittable pitches 3 swinging strikes
- 2) 2 Bunts per inning, no fake bunts
- 3) A team is only allowed up to 5 runs per inning.
- 4) No Infield Fly
- 5) No Stealing
- 6) Overthrows: Outfield to 1st base is a live ball. Infield to 1st base is 1st base only

## **U10** – Division Specific Rules:

1) A team is only allowed up to 5 runs per inning.

### U10 / U12 / U14 - Division Specific Rules:

- 1) Warnings on Balks will be at the umpire's discretion. Obvious balks will be called; minor infractions will be discussed with the player and coach through a warning.
- 2) Spread Rule: 12 runs after 3 innings

10 runs after 4 innings

8 runs after 5 innnings

### **ALL DIVISIONS**

- ✓ It is the Team Manager/Coach's responsibility to have a copy of the official USSSA Rules on hand at every game.
- ✓ No new inning will start after 1 hour 40 minutes in all competitive league games except for 8U Machine Pitch. Now new inning will start after 1 hour 15 minutes in 8U Machine Pitch.
- ✓ Tie Games: In the event that the game is tied at the end of regulation play, the game will end in a tie.
- ✓ The Official USSSA Rulebook is available at www.USSSA.com