# LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL DISTRICT 17

Dewey Hudman

District Administrator

SUBJECT: 2022 Little League Softball – Section 2 Championship

District 17 and the Port St Lucie Little League Softball have the privilege of hosting the Section 2 Little League Softball Tournament at Port St Lucie, Florida on **Saturday**, **July 2, 2022 and "If Necessary" Sunday, July 3, 2022** (refer to enclosed schedule bracket). Enclosed is a map of the Port St Lucie area for your information.

# **Transportation:**

- a. Participating teams will be responsible for providing their own transportation during the tournament.
- b. Participating teams are reminded that after their elimination from further tournament play, you are required to submit to Little League Headquarters through your District Administrator a mileage report. Depending upon funds available in the tournament escrow fund, you may be entitled to a reimbursement at a per mile rate.

# **Housing and Meals:**

Housing will not be provided for participating teams.

No provisions for meals will be made for participating teams. There are many "fast food" restaurants located within several miles of the field complex including Burger King, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Wendy's, Taco Bell, etc. There are also some moderately priced restaurants in the area such as T.G.I Friday's, Longhorn Steak House, Cracker Barrel, Outback Grill etc. If you have any questions, please ask the Tournament Director.

### **Mandatory Meeting:**

The Port St Lucie Little League Softball and District 17 Staff will host a MANDATORY meeting for the managers and coaches on Saturday, July 2, 2022 at 8:30 AM. This will take place at the ball field complex, in the bleachers between fields # 1 & # 2 in Port St Lucie, FL (see enclosed map).

This will be a great opportunity for the managers and coaches to meet each other, and for the personnel of the Port St Lucie Little League Softball and District 17 to get to know our guests! We request that **ONLY** the manager and coaches attend this meeting in addition to yourself and/or an Assistant District Administrator(s) who may be accompanying the team. A review of the field ground rules will take place at this meeting and at the field prior to your first game.

#### THE TEAM AFFIDAVITS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THIS MEETING.

Please be sure the affidavit has the required attachments (Tournament Player Verification with residence eligibility documentations - 3 different types or a school enrollment form and a boundary map showing each player's residence) and any waivers that may apply.

### **Facilities:**

The ball field complex in Port St Lucie is located at 3200 SE Southbend Blvd, 34984 (refer to enclosed map). The playing field meets the requirements of Little League Baseball/Softball. The field has non-grass infield, approved lighting, fencing, electric scoreboard, public address system, permanent seating, etc. **Directions to the fields**: Exit I-95 at Becker Road (Exit 114) and go East 4.4 miles to Southbend Blvd. Turn left and go north approximately 2.7 miles to Jessica Clinton Park on the left-hand side. The playing fields are professionally maintained by the City of Port St Lucie Recreation Department.

Port St Lucie Parks and Recreation Department has a Lightning Detection system at Jessica Clinton Park and require all teams to leave the field and dugouts if the system alarm sounds go off.

## **Equipment:**

The Port St Lucie Little League Softball equipment manager will be present during the games to ensure that replacement bats, helmets, catchers gear and an adequate supply of game balls will be on hand. Each dugout will be equipped with water.

#### **Volunteers:**

There will be at least one (1) Tournament Director at the park for every game. The concession stand will be opened before the start of every game and sells drinks, snacks, hot dogs, candy, etc. District 17 will schedule the umpire coverage for every game throughout the tournament. Volunteer umpire crews from the Districts in Section 2 will volunteer their services for the tournament.

#### Awards:

All participating players, managers and coaches will be presented a Little League Sectional Pin indicating their participation in this tournament. The tournament Champion team will receive the appropriate Championship Pennant, Plaque and Championship Medallions.

#### **Miscellaneous Information:**

A copy of the approved tournament schedule is enclosed and all games will be played as scheduled, except changes made necessary by weather or facility problems.

Spectators <u>WILL NOT</u>, be allowed to bring <u>COOLERS TO THE BALLPARK</u>. Team coolers will be allowed in the dugouts. DO NOT BRING COOLERS, EXCEPT COOLERS FOR DUGOUTS. DUGOUT COOLERS MUST BE PLACED IN DUGOUT AND WILL STAY IN DUGOUT UNTIL TOURNAMENT GAME(S) FOR THAT DAY IS OVER. THIS IS NOT A TRAVEL BALL TOURNAMENT, BUT A LITTLE LEAGUE TOURNAMENT- PLEASE SUPPORT THE HOST LEAGUE BY USING THE CONCESSION STAND.

A map showing the location of the field complex is enclosed.

The following personnel may be contacted if you have any questions prior to arriving or during the tournament (questions of a regulation or rule interpretation should be directed to the District Administrator or Southern Regional Director):

District 17 Administrator Dewey Hudman (772) 878-0921 (H)

113 SW Eyerly Av (772) 528-4445 (C)

Port St Lucie, Florida 34983 Email: <u>autiger72@comcast.net</u>

District Site Director, ADA Anthony Thornton (772) 353-8769 (C)

Email: athornton570@gmail.com

District Umpire-In-Chief Louis Nickerson (772) 538-9201 (C)

Email: louisnickerson@hotmail.com

The telephone number for the Site tournament directors and District Administrator may be utilized to ascertain if a game will be played due to weather, etc.; game score(s) information for the newspaper; or other tournament related information.

Many times over the years we have found that spectators can influence play. The teams that are winners always seem to have fans that specialize in encouragement. Spectators that get on umpires or criticize team play or players have an upsetting effect on teams. Speak to your parents/spectators and have them control themselves while in the stands. It will go a long way for the completion of a successful tournament and for the teams involved.

I look forward to meeting you, your managers and teams during the tournament. Good luck to all!!

Sincerely,

Dewey Hudman
District 17 Administrator

# SECTION 2 LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL At Port St Lucie Little League Softball

# **SCHEDULE**

Sunday	July 3, 2022	(If Necessary) District 2 vs.		10:00 am
Saturday	July 2, 2022	District 2 vs.	District 17	12:30 pm
Saturday	July 2, 2022	District 2 vs.	District 17	10:00 am

# Little League Softball @ Jessica Clinton Park map Port St Lucie, FL www.fl17.org

