2017 5/6 Harrison Early Bird Tournament Rules

- 1. Tournament will be played following the Dizzy Dean rule book with exceptions made by Harrison Recreation.
- **2**. Ages 5/6 will be (1) hour (10) Minutes or 6 innings. No new inning will start after time limit runs out in pool play only. Extra inning will be played in bracket player to decide a winning team. Championship game will not have a time limit. **Each team to supply 2 balls, 1 new and 1 playable**
- 3. Pool Play can end in a tie. Pool play is drop dead (1) hour (10) Minute time limit. Bracket play is (1) hour (10 Minute time limit.
- **4.** Must use approved legal bats. All bats must be stamped 1.15 BPF. **This rule will be highly enforced by the umpires and league officials.** Any coach or players caught using an illegal bat will be subject to the penalties of Dizzy Dean Baseball and could result in suspension or removal from coaching.
- **5.** No pick up players will be allowed unless the tournament director and both coaches agree. Only then will the pickup player bat last and play outfield. You can only pick up if you have less than 9 players. Only pick up to equal 9 total players! Bat all and play all players.

IF YOU PICK UP A PLAYER THAT PLAYER MUST BAT LAST, PLAY IN THE OUTFIELD, AND MUST BE REPORTED TO THE HOME PLATE UMPIRE AND OPPOSING COACH. PICK UP PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED AT YOUR PARK. NO EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THESE RULES OR YOU WILL FORFEIT YOUR GAME. YOU MAY ONLY PICK UP TO FILL 9 PLAYERS ON THE FIELD.

- **6.** Must have a pitcher and catcher.
- **7.** Any player playing pitcher circle must wear either a helmet with a mask or a face guard shield. Catchers are only required to wear a helmet with a mask. Full catching equipment is not required until All-Stars.
- 8. 5 run max per inning. Each batter will receive 5 pitches or 3 strikes per at bat.
- **9.** Home team will be determined by coin toss. Home team will be the official scorekeeper.
- 10. Forfeit at any time and you are out of the tournament. NO REFUNDS!
- **11.** If time is called with five (5) minutes or less on the clock, the clock will be stopped. Time will not expire due to time out being called at the end of the game. This is for bracket play only.
- **12.** Each team will be given four (4) coaches passes. You must present them at the gate or pay regular admission of \$3.00 Monday-Friday, \$5.00 Saturday/Sunday. Senior Citizens \$2.00 Kids 12/under Free
- **13.** Tee Rule- Batter #7 and down are the only eligible batters in the lineup to use the tee. Batter can go on or come off the tee at any time in the game or any pitch count in the at bat. We will play 5 pitches or 3 strikes per all batters. Last two batters on lineup will be given 5 pitches, 5 strikes.
- ***If a coach is found to be abusing the Tee Rule, he or she will be dealt with on an individual bases by the age group director and or league officials. We all can see who needs the tee and who doesn't so please do not abuse this rule. ***
- **14.** If batted ball is fielded on left side of infield, defense must make an attempt to throw to first base side of infield. If batted ball is fielded on right side of infield, defense must make an attempt to throw to third base side of infield.
- **15.** Tie breaker order: head to head, runs allowed, runs scored, coin toss.
- **16.** If a coach or league official feels a player is having concussion like symptoms, they MUST remove the player from participation. The player will not be able to return to participation until he has a signed off letter from a certified medical physician and a league official.

In case of inclement weather, the tournament director reserves the right to change tournament play. It is the responsibility of each coach to keep up with any schedule changes. You will be able to get updates through Harrison Recreation Field House phone number at 344-3314, Harrison Recreation website at (harrisonrecreation.com), Facebook page at (harrisonrec).

No Coolers or outside food allowed in the park. One dug out cooler with a cooler tag provided by Harrison Recreation will be allowed. We will check coolers. No pets allowed. No skateboarding or scooter, etc. allowed in the park.