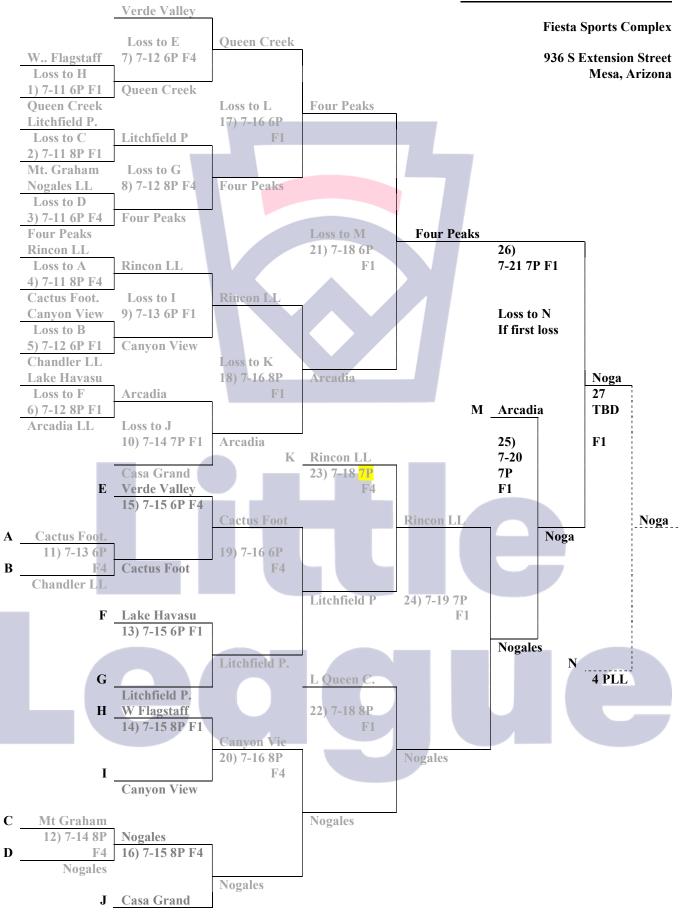
2022 8-10 Arizona State Tournament





Arizona State District Administrators

Code of Conduct - for Spectators, Managers, Coaches and Players:
Zero Tolerance Policy for the State of Arizona

This letter is intended to orient all Managers-Coaches-Spectators in attendance of any Arizona Little League Tournament Game to the Arizona State District Administrators (AZ DA's) "Code of Conduct". The AZ DA's hereby announce the adoption of a ZERO TOLERANCE policy for inappropriate behavior at all Arizona Little League Tournament Games and expect all participants to abide by this "Code of Conduct".

The following will apply:

- Negative comments by managers, coaches, players, umpires, staff or other tournament personnel directed at managers, coaches, players, umpires, staff or other tournament personnel may result in the immediate removal of the offending person.
- 2. If a spectator, s/he may be barred from returning to any Arizona Tournament Games hosted by the district for the remainder of the Tournament Season. If the offender refuses to leave the game may be SUSPENDED until the offending party leaves the facility. Local law enforcement officials may be called to effect the removal and possible charges may be filed.
- 3. Any physical altercations with spectators, managers, coaches, players, umpires, staff or other tournament personnel will result in offending persons being removed from the ball fields and charges being filed. Offending persons will not be permitted to return to any Arizona Tournament Site hosted within that District for the remainder of the Tournament season.
- 4. Players-managers-coaches are not permitted to communicate during the course of the game to those outside the dugout. Spectators communicating with players-manager-coaches during the game will be asked to leave the ballpark and players-managers-coaches may be subject to immediate removal from the game.
- 5. Players-managers-coaches leaving the dugout without permission to visit the snack bar or to visit with spectators in the stands will remain outside the dugout for the duration of the game.
- 6. Players-managers-coaches are not permitted to consume food items during the course of the game. Such items will be taken and thrown away. (The exception: food items necessary to remedy or ease an existing medical condition are not subject to this code.) Repeat offending persons will be removed from the dugout for the remainder of the game. Water, Gatorade and other thirst quenching drinks are allowed in the dugout. Sunflower seeds and gum are permitted providing local league rules have no rules to the contrary.

Any player-manager-coach that uses profanity directed at an Arizona Little League tournament umpire will immediately be ejected from the game. This will also result in the hosting District to immediately ask the Tournament committee to permanently bar that individual for the remainder of the Tournament.

It is not the intent of this "*Code of Conduct*" to deter a manager or coach from successfully directing his / her game nor from keeping spectators from positively cheering their team on. Our intent is to define our expectations for behavior while attending Arizona Little League Tournament Games.

We must remember - we are adult role models for our kids especially at these game, therefore; be assured that we intend to enforce this code and intend to provide a positive experience for the players-managers-coaches and spectators and enjoy our young people playing a *game* of baseball or softball.

Leagues and districts are requested to distribute this letter to all Arizona district and state tournament bound managers and coaches. And, to include this document or the spirit of the message at all Tournament orientations which, hopefully, includes players' parents/guardians.

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