

LaVernia Little League
Baseball Machine Pitch
Local Rules

- Baseball will be pitched by a coach from each team prior to the start of the game.
- All players on the roster bat.
- Only nine defensive players allowed on the field.
- No watches or jewelry allowed.
- Two coaches allowed on the field during their team's defensive play, must be behind the infield players. During team's offensive play, coaches must be positioned at 1st and 3rd base, dugout, and one for pitching.
- There should be two circles of chalk on either side of the pitching coach. The pitcher must be in one of the circles before any pitch is made.
- Play is dead when a ball thrown from the outfield reaches the infield. All runners must stop at the nearest base to them.
- No one leaves the dugout/field without the managers/coaches permission.
- One adult must remain in the dugout at all times.
- **3 outs or 5 runs completes each half inning.**
- No stealing.
- All balls returned by the catcher or other fielders to the pitching mound must be caught by the player pitcher.
- Sliding is allowed if there is actually a play at that base.
- No head first sliding is allowed!!! Result is an **OUT!**
- On deck batter must remain in dugout.
- Each player must play at least 2 innings defensively.
- Each game will last 4 innings or 1 hour and 30 minutes, whichever comes first.
- 3 strikes or no hit by the 6th pitch is an out. A foul ball on the 3rd strike or 6th pitch does allow the batter to continue batting.
- If the coach is hit with the batted ball the ball is a live ball.
- Runners must not leave their base until the ball is hit.
- Pitching coach will pitch to his/her own players.
- Catchers behind the plate are required to wear athletic support with cup.
- All boys shall wear an athletic supporter.