DOWN EAST FAMILY YMCA

LITTLE LEAGUE

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AND

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2014
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Tryout and Draft Procedures

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Down East Family YMCA Little League

Tryout Process

During the tryouts, each candidate should be given the opportunity to (1) bat/bunt, (2) field fly balls, (3) field ground balls, (4) throw and (5) run in competition with children. Players will be grouped alphabetically. Each of the skills will be graded on a 1 to 5 scale. A total score of 75 points is the highest rating. Candidates scoring 50 through 75 are considered Major League material. These tryout periods will be conducted in the presence of all Managers who shall observe the ability of each candidate. All player candidates, ages 7 through 12, not on a Major League team, must try out. This is required, unless modified by the local league according to options established by Little League.

Each manager shall grade the candidates on the Player Agent’s List for their own reference.

Note: The tryout process was taken from the Little League Operating Manual page 59 with a slight rating system change (Little League uses a 25 point system).

Draft Process

When the tryout process has been completed, the last-place team of the preceding season will receive the first choice in every round of the draft, the next to last place team gets the second selection in every round and the remaining teams select in the reverse order of standing.

Of course, the managers must keep in mind that they must not select more than eight players in a given age group. The team roster may be comprised of players of league age 9, 10, 11 and 12 unless modified by the local league according to options established by Little League. The local league may opt to allow only 10, 11 and 12, or 11 and 12 year olds, to try out for the major division.

Secrecy: Players shall never be told the position in which they were drafted.

Bonus Picks: Each manager requiring eight or more players prior to the draft to complete the roster will be allowed one bonus pick at the completion of round four. If more than one manager is allowed bonus picks under this section, the order of rotation will be identical to that being followed in the draft.

If a team is added in any division that team or teams will select seven players each before the established teams begin to participate in the selecting of players on a rotating basis.

Note: The draft process was taken from the Little League Operating Manual page 61 plan A.
Important Dates:

- **March 22**: Little League Registration Deadline
- **March 30**: Little League Baseball Tryouts ages 7-12, 12:00-3:00pm @ Ellsworth High School
- **March 30**: Little League Softball Tryouts ages 7-12, 3:30-6:00pm @ Ellsworth High School
- **April 1**: Makeup Tryouts for any player, 5:30-6:30pm @ YMCA
- **April 3**: Major League Draft and Notification, 5:30pm
- **April 4**: Minor @ Farm League Draft and notification, 5:30pm
- **April 5**: Mandatory Coaches Training, 9:00am-1:00pm
- **May 3**: 10am Little League Opening Day
- **June**: League Tournament (Baseball and Softball)

Umpire Training to be Announced

What to do if you have questions:
1) Ask your coach
2) Email slowell@defymca.org
3) Call Shane at 667-3086

What if you have a concern about your coach:
1) Ask the coach
2) Email slowell@defymca.org
3) Call Shane at 667-3086

What if you have a concern but are uncomfortable discussing the matter with your coach:
1) email slowell@defymca.org
2) Call Shane at 667-3086

What if I want to be a Little League Volunteer:
We are always looking for more volunteers. Little League has a volunteer application which is required for all volunteers. Volunteers do not need to have experience or knowledge, just a willingness to help and learn. All volunteers must undergo a background check. Volunteers are needed in the following areas:
1) Managers and Coaches
2) Umpires
3) Scorekeepers
4) Concessions
5) Announcers

Why be a T-Ball or Farm League coach?
Most of our coaches start at this level and move up with their child. It is very rare that coaches are appointed at the Minor or Major League level that do not have T-Ball or Farm League experience. We prefer that our coaches move up with their child.
9 and 10 Year Old Softball
Players will tryout and be selected by the Regular Season Managers. The Little League Board will have final say on who is selected for the All-Star Team.

9 and 10 Year Old Baseball
Player Ballot—League Representative will visit teams at their practices or games and give players voting sheets. Player votes will be used in the selection process. The Regular Season Managers and the Little League Board will select the top players. The players will tryout and be placed on the appropriate team. The Little League Board will have final say on who is selected for the All Star Teams.

10 and 11 Year Old Baseball
Player Ballot—League Representative will visit teams at their practices or games and give players voting sheets. The team will be filled by Regular Season Managers and the Little League Board. The Little League Board will have final say on who is selected for the All Star Team.

11 and 12 Year Old Softball
Players will tryout and be selected by the Regular Season Managers. The Little League Board will have final say on who is selected for the All-Star Team.

11 and 12 Year Old Baseball
Player Ballot—League Representative will visit teams at their practices or games and give players voting sheets. The team will be filled by Regular Season Managers and the Little League Board. The Little League Board will have final say on who is selected for the All Star Team.

13 and 14 Year Old Softball
Team Carries Over.

13 and 14 Year Old Baseball
The Regular Season Managers and a League Representative will select the All-Star Team.

15 and 16 Year Old Baseball
Team Carries Over.

All Star Coaches Selection All Teams
All coaches at the Major and Minor League level will cast a ballot for the All Star Coaching positions. These ballots will be reviewed by the Youth Sports Committee for selection.
All Star teams will be announced in June. Once teams are announced, they will begin practice. All Star schedules are done by Maine District One and are travel tournaments for all age groups.

Little League Baseball requires certain paperwork for players to be eligible. This paperwork is needed at registration. Here is the list of what is needed:

**Proof of Residence.** Little League requires three different forms to prove residence within our League Boundaries. Acceptable forms for proof of residence:
1. Driver’s License
2. Voter’s registration
3. School records
4. Welfare/child care records
5. Federal records
6. State records
7. Local records
8. Support payment records
9. Homeowner or tenant records
10. Utility records (i.e., gas, electric, water/sewer, phone, mobile phone, heating, waste disposal)
11. Financial (loan, credit, investments, etc.) records
12. Insurance documents
13. Medical records
14. Military records
15. Internet, cable, or satellite records
16. Vehicle records

These forms must have a physical address on them. The easiest three forms to provide are: Driver’s License, vehicle record (registration), and Insurance document (car insurance). Photocopies of these forms will be with the team at all times.

**Proof of Age Requirement.** Little League requires all players to provide proof of age by providing an original proof of age document, if issued by federal, state, or provincial registrars of vital statistics in the Country in which the Little Leaguer is participating. **Items that are not acceptable as sole proof of birth:** Baptismal Certificate; Certificate of Blessing; Certificate of Dedication; Hospital Certificate; photocopied records.

These forms will be photocopied by League personnel and travel with the team. They will be kept on file until the All Star Season has been completed. Once a player provides the proper paperwork it is valid for their Little League career.
What makes up a local league?
Little League Baseball, Inc. defines boundaries for each League. Our League consists of Ellsworth, Otis, Mariaville, Airline, Eastbrook, Waltham, Hancock, and Lamoine. Some towns that are not in our League boundaries are Franklin, Surry, and Trenton.

If I do not live in one of those towns but wish to play for the Down East Family YMCA Little League, what do I do?
- Request a completed waiver from Down East Family YMCA Little League.
- Give waiver to the other League who will complete and send to Eastern Region Headquarters.
- Waivers are for the Regular Season only.

What if I live in one of those towns and wish to play with my friends in a League other than the Down East Family YMCA Little League?
- Request a completed waiver from the other League.
- Give waiver to the Down East Family YMCA Little League who will complete the waiver if necessary and send to Eastern Region Headquarters.
- Waivers are for the Regular Season only.

What is Opening Day?
- Picture Day
- Skills Competitions—Home Run Derby, Throwing and Running Competitions
- Overall celebration of the start of the Little League Season
- First games of the season

How much playing time does Little League require?
- Six consecutive defensive outs and bat at least once during each game of the regular season.
- Three consecutive defensive outs and bat at least once during each game of the All Star Season.

If my child is not playing the minimum amount of time, what should I do?
- Ask your coach.
- If you do not get the answer you are looking for or are uncomfortable asking your coach, email slowell@defymca.org or 667-3086.

How can I help my child become a better player?
We strongly encourage all parents to spend some time playing ball with their children for a variety of reasons.
- The more time your child spends playing, the better they will be.
- It is a very good chance for parents to spend quality time with their kids.
- It is very easy to play catch and find out how your child’s day was.

Beware of “Bleacher Buzz”
We strongly encourage all parents/fans to be positive and supportive at all times. If you hear something that concerns you whether it be at a practice or a game please feel free to contact your Coach or Shane at slowell@defymca.org or 667-3086. Please remember that our goal is to provide a playing environment that is a positive experience for all involved; players, coaches, umpires, and parents. If negative comments are being made, it makes the overall experience that Little League Baseball has to offer less than what our children deserve. We encourage parents to remain positive at all times…it does not matter where you are, someone is always listening.
The Down East Family YMCA

THE SAFE ZONE
"A Place where Kids can be Kids"

In the YMCA SAFE ZONE children are cheered and supported.

The YMCA SAFE ZONE is a place where children thrive. It is overflowing with POSITIVE enthusiasm. There is no room for anything else in the SAFE ZONE.

The YMCA SAFE ZONE includes the playing surface, stands, seats, parking area and any surrounding viewing area at all YMCA Youth Sports Activities.

By entering the YMCA SAFE ZONE you imply consent to agree and comply with the SAFE ZONE Policy. We thank you in advance for your consideration of the children. We encourage you to be the positive, enthusiastic role model our children deserve.

With your help and by your example we will help kids learn to be Caring, Honest, Respectful and Responsible.

The Down East Family YMCA will always Stand Up for children. We encourage you to Stand Up with us!
Little League®

Player Registration Form

Player name

Address

Address 2

City/State/Zip

Home phone ( )

Email

Birthdate

Gender

League Age/Fee

Age

Amount

My child will tryout for: [ ] Baseball  [ ] Softball

Parent #1

Name

Phone ( )

Email

Occupation

Volunteer? [ ]

Parent #2

Name

Phone ( )

Email

Occupation

Volunteer? [ ]

Medical Information

Emergency contact

Relationship to player

Insurance carrier

League Use Only

Phone

Policy

Birth Certificate

Proof of Residency

Medical Release Form: Waiver needed? [ ]

Level Assigned

Team Name

1. We, the parents/guardians of the above-named candidate for a position on a Little League team, hereby give our approval to participate in any and all Little League activities, including transportation to and from the activities.

2. We know that participation in baseball or softball may result in serious injuries and protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players, and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the local Little League, Little League Baseball, Incorporated, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, and persons transporting my child to and from activities from any claim arising out of any injury to my child whether the result of negligence or for any other cause.

3. We agree to return upon request the uniform and other equipment issued to my child in as good conditions as when received except for normal wear and tear.

4. We agree that our child (candidate) may be required to try out for a team. If such does not attend at least 50 percent of such tryouts, local Board-of-Directors approval is required for such candidate to be placed on a team.

5. We understand that our child (candidate) may be chosen at anytime to play on a Major Division team, if he or she is of the correct age for such division as determined by the local league and Little League Baseball. Deciding to move up to such Major Division team will result in forfeiture of eligibility for the Major Division for the current season, and may be subject to further restrictions by the local league.

6. We agree to provide proof of legal residence (as defined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated) and age. We understand that our child (candidate) must be eligible under the residence and age regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, to participate in this Local League, and that if any controversy arises regarding residence or age, the decision of the Charter Committee in Williamsport shall be final and binding. We further understand that if any participant on a Little League team does not qualify for participation in the league based on residence (as defined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated) and/or age, such participant and/or team on which he/she participates be found ineligible, and forfeit(s) and/or suspension of Tournament privileges may be decreed by action of the Charter Committee or Tournament Committee.

7. We will furnish a certified birth certificate of the above-named candidate to League Officials.

Signature ___________________________ Date __________

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MEDICAL RELEASE

NOTE: To be carried by any Regular Season or Tournament
Team Manager together with team roster or International Tournament affidavit.

Player: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ___________ Gender (M/F): ___________

Parent (s)/Guardian Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ________________
Parent (s)/Guardian Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ________________

Player’s Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ State/Country: ___________ Zip: ___________
Home Phone: ___________ Work Phone: ___________ Mobile Phone: ___________

PARENT OR GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION:

In case of emergency, if family physician cannot be reached, I hereby authorize my child to be treated by Certified Emergency Personnel. (i.e. EMT, First Responder, E.R. Physician)

Family Physician: ___________________________ Phone: ___________
Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ State/Country: ___________

Hospital Preference: ___________________________

Parent Insurance Co: ___________________________ Policy No.: ___________ Group ID#: ___________
League Insurance Co: ___________________________ Policy No.: ___________ League/Group ID#: ___________

If parent(s)/guardian cannot be reached in case of emergency, contact:

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Please list any allergies/medical problems, including those requiring maintenance medication. (i.e. Diabetic, Asthma, Seizure Disorder)

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Date of last Tetanus Toxoid Booster: ___________

The purpose of the above listed information is to ensure that medical personnel have details of any medical problem which may interfere with or alter treatment.

Mr./Mrs./Ms. ___________________________ Authorized Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________

FOR LEAGUE USE ONLY:

League Name: ___________________________ League ID: ___________________________
Division: ___________________________ Team: ___________________________ Date: ___________

WARNING: PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT CANNOT PREVENT ALL INJURIES A PLAYER MIGHT RECEIVE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN BASEBALL/SOFTBALL. Little League does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.
Down East Family YMCA Little League
Player and Parent Code of Conduct Agreement
Players participating in Down East Family YMCA Little League are exercising privilege afforded them by DEFYLL in pursuit of a more competitive level of baseball & softball. These players must exhibit the maturity to be successful in this pursuit. Thus, the following guidelines & rules shall apply in all activities with the DEFYLL.

General Guidelines
Players, as well as parents/guardians, are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner which is in keeping with representing DEFYLL in a positive manner and will not bring discredit upon this organization.
Respect for property of others, adherence to the rules and guidelines as specified here or by the Coach, and observance of State and Federal laws are required for participation in this program.

Discipline Rules
Irresponsible and disrespectful behavior is cause for dismissal from the DEFYLL for the remainder of the current season.
Destruction of property or violation of State or Federal laws is cause for immediate dismissal from DEFYLL for the remainder of the current season.
It is the intent of the DEFYLL to provide a positive, healthy and safe extracurricular activity for all participants. Substance use and/or possession thereof (drugs, alcohol and/or tobacco) at any time during the season is cause for immediate dismissal from the DEFYLL for the remainder of the current season.
Continuing failure to abide by the general Discipline Rules will be cause for dismissal for the remainder of the current season and could affect a player’s future participation.

Player Responsibility
Players are expected to attend scheduled practices. Continued absence from practices, or disrespectful or disruptive behavior during practice, may be cause for dismissal from the program for the remainder of the season.
Failure to come prepared for games and/or tournaments, with respect to team uniforms, may be cause for loss of playing time. It is the responsibility of the player, not the parent, to be prepared for all games.
Foul language, trash talking, or umpire bashing during games will not be tolerated and may be cause for loss of playing time. Continued failure to abide by this rule may result in dismissal from the program.
Parent/Guardian Responsibility

Parents/Guardians understand and accept responsibility for ensuring that their participating child is provided with adequate transportation to practices, games and tournaments/championships. This includes all financial responsibility associated with such travel.

Parents/Guardians will notify the Team Coach in advance if their child is unable to attend practices or games. While DEFYLL recognizes that players may periodically have other family commitments or illnesses and may be unable to attend practices or games, regular or continued absence from team practices or games may be cause for dismissal from the program for the remainder of the current season of this program.

Ump bashing or taunting will not be tolerated from parents and/or spectators.

Any child who is not a resident of one of the following towns (Ellsworth, Hancock, Otis, Mariaville, Waltham, Eastbrook, Lamoine & the Airline), MUST submit a waiver to National Little League in order to be eligible for ALL-STAR play. Waivers are the responsibility of the Parent. Please ask for a waiver form, if you are interested.

I will conduct myself in a manner respecting the facilities, other players, referees and coaching staff of the DEFYLL while I am participating in the DEFYLL program. Further, I understand that if I am found to be using or in the possession of drugs or alcohol or in violation of the DEFYLL and/or hosting team’s rules and regulations that this shall result in my immediate ejection from the program. I also understand and accept the fact that my parents/guardians will be held responsible for arranging my travel needs to practices, games and tournaments and shall bear all financial responsibility in such travel costs.

We, the undersigned, have read, understand and agree to abide by the above guidelines and rules. We also agree to accept actions taken for failure to abide by these guidelines and rules.

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Please answer the following Questions:

If your child age 9, 10, 11, or 12 scores above a 50 on our tryout scale, would you allow them to be considered for play in the Major Division of the Softball or Baseball teams?

YES: _______________  NO: _______________

If your child age 9, 10, 11 or 12 is selected for a Tournament team, would you allow them to be placed on a roster for one of the following teams: 3 Baseball teams 9-10, 10-11 and 11-12 or on softball 2 teams 9-10 and 11-12. Games will begin after the regular season from the end of June to Middle of July.

YES: _____________  NO: __________________

I do/do not give my permission for my child, ___________________ to appear on the Down East Family YMCA Youth Sports Facebook page or the Down East Family YMCA web site.

YES: ___________________  NO: ___________________
Can appear  Cannot appear

Child’s Name: _______________________________________
(Please Print)

Parents Signature: __________________Date: _________________