

# SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON CENTRAL '2B' LEAGUE

## STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

### REVIEW:

Fall - 08/21/18

Winter - 06/07/17

Spring - 03/08/17

### **FASTPITCH S.O.P'S SWW CENTRAL "2B"**

1. Members of the SWW '2B' League shall consist of those schools which comprise the league schedule.
2. The league schedule shall be adopted no later than the November meeting for the subsequent fastpitch season.
3. The home team will take the infield first, beginning one half hour before game time. Each team will have 15 minutes for infield. The field will be available one hour prior to game time.
4. Anyone other than properly identified coaches, managers, team personnel or players in uniform are not permitted in the dugout. There will be no live batting practice by either team prior to league games on school days. Tee or Soft-toss with Whiffle/Sponge balls is acceptable.

League make-up games take priority over non-league games. (This means league games will be made up in the order of the original league schedule.) **Note: Fastpitch S.O.P.'s relating to rain-out/make-up procedures are to be evaluated at the February meeting or upon the President's request.**

1. Rainouts will be made up on the next playable date (Sunday excluded) in order of their postponement (excluding Spring break). Spring break may be used for the makeup of any league game.
2. If the home field is unplayable, the home field will be moved to the visitor's site if playable. If both dates have not been played then sites will be flip/flopped.
3. If the fields of both schools scheduled for make-up are unplayable, they may make up a game with another school, even though it may not be in order.
4. Alternative playing fields may be used for make-up games if the Athletic Directors deem this necessary to complete the league schedule.
5. The international tie breaker rule will be used to determine ties at the end of a game. The tie breaker will start at top of 9<sup>th</sup> inning. 8<sup>th</sup> inning last out will start at second base. Each team will have opportunity to score.
6. Ties in league standings will be broken by the adopted tie breaker methods. Should the regular season end with schools playing a different number of league games, the number of wins, not percentage, will decide the final standings.
7. Starting times of single games shall be **4:00 PM** in March and **4:30 PM** starting in April. Doubleheaders will start at noon on Saturday's and 3:00 PM on weekdays.
8. The home team is responsible to report games to the local newspapers and post it on the WPA.
9. [CALLED CONTEST] If weather or darkness interferes with play so that the game is called (ended) by the umpire, it is a regulation game (complete) if five full innings have been played, or if the home team has scored a greater number of runs in four or four and a fraction turns at bat than the visiting team has scored in five turns at bat.
10. [CONTINUING SUSPENDED GAME] Any game that is interrupted with teams having played less than the required number of innings (5) will be continued from the point of suspension. The line-up and batting order of each team shall be exactly the same as the line-up and batting order at the moment of suspension, subject to the rules governing the game.
11. [MERCY RULE] The fifteen-run Mercy rule will be in effect after three (3) three complete innings when one team is 15 runs ahead.