SALEM BASEBALL TOURNAMENT (May 2nd, 3rd, and 4th)

Dear Coaches,

Thank you for entering the 2024 Salem Baseball Tournament located at Salem High School. The entry fee is \$150.00 per team to help pay costs associated with having the tournament. Please send your entry fee and make the check payable to Salem R-80 Schools. Address the envelope in this fashion to ensure that our A.D. receives it.

Attention: Salem High School Clay Moody 1400 Tiger Pride Drive Salem, Missouri 65560

Each team will play two games in pool play and a cross pool game on Saturday. If there is a tie within pool play, the tie breaker will be determined in this order. (1) Head-to-head (2) the best run differential with the number of runs divided by the number of innings played (3) fewest amount of runs allowed (4) coin toss

We will supply 4 new baseballs each game. We will be using the Diamond D1-Pro baseballs. Each team should bring some new baseballs because if balls are not shagged by players, you will need to have some ready to go. The team listed second and in bold print will be the home team on games Thursday and Friday. We will have a coin toss to determine the home team each game on Saturday. There will be no infield pregame after the first game that you play. Salem will use the 3rd base dugout during all of their games.

Below are the two pools and it is important that you're prepared for schedule changes if inclement weather occurs as we might have to start games earlier, play later, or play more games on any of the dates as weather might dictate.

<u>POOL A</u>
SALEM
CUBA
PACIFIC

<u>POOL B</u> LICKING SULLIVAN WAYNESVILLE

THURSDAY, MAY 2nd (POOL A)

11:30 AM	CUBA VS. SALEM
2:00 PM	PACIFIC VS. CUBA
4:30 PM	SALEM VS. PACIFIC

FRIDAY, MAY 3rd (POOL B)

11:30 AM	LICKING VS. WAYNESVILLE
2:00 PM	WAYNESVILLE VS. SULLIVAN
4:30 PM	SULLIVAN VS. LICKING

SATURDAY, MAY 4th (CROSS POOL PLAY WITH COIN TOSS DETERMINING HOME TEAM)

- 11:30 AM 3RD PLACE TEAMS IN EACH POOL PLAYS
- 2:00PM 2ND PLACE TEAMS IN EACH POOL PLAYS

4:30 PM CHAMPIONSHIP BETWEEN 1ST PLACE TEAMS IN EACH POOL

****GAMES WILL NOT HAVE A TIME LIMIT. GAMES CAN AND WILLS START EARLY IF AHEAD OF SCHEUDLE. THE 15 RUN RULE IN 3 INNINGS AND 10 RUN RULE IN 5 INNINGS WILL BE IN EFFECT. TEAMS NEED TO CLEAR THEIR DUGOUTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEY SHAKE HANDS WHEN THE GAME ENDS SO THE NEXT TEAM CAN MOVE IN. COACHES WANTING TO TALK TO THEIR TEAMS FOLLOWING A GAME SHOULD DO SO OFF THE FIELD AFTER CLEARING OUT THEIR DUGOUT. WE DON'T WANT TO SLOW DOWN WARMUPS OF THE NEXT TEAMS PLAYING.

BATTING CAGE SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, May 2nd (Helmets must be used by pitcher and hitter)

10:00 am to 10:30 am (Salem can use the cage)
10:30 am to 11:00 am (Cuba can use the cage)
11:05 am to 11:15 am (Home team will take infield)
11:15 am to 11:25 am (Visiting team will take infield)
11:25 am (Pregame conference with umpires for ground rules)
1:00 pm to 1:30 pm (Pacific can use the batting cage)
*** Following the first game, only Pacific will take infield.
3:30 pm to 4:00 pm (Salem can use the batting cage)
*** Following game two, there will be no infield.

BATTING CAGE SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, May 3rd (Helmets must be used by pitcher and hitter)

10:00 am to 10:30 am (Licking can use the cage)
10:30 am to 11:00 am (Waynesville can use the cage)
11:05 am to 11:15 am (Home team will take infield)
11:15 am to 11:25 am (Visiting team will take infield)
11:25 am (Pregame conference with umpires for ground rules)
1:00 pm to 1:30 pm (Sullivan can use the batting cage)
*** Following the first game, only Sullivan will take infield.
3:30 pm to 4:00 pm (Licking can use the batting cage)
*** Following game two, there will be no infield.

BATTING CAGE SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, MAY 4th (NO PREGAME INFIELD BEFORE ANY GAME)

10:15 am to 10:45 AM	(3 rd place team from Pool A hits in cage)
10:45 am to 11:15 am	(3 rd place teams from Pool B hits in cage)
11:15 am	(Coin Toss occurs for home and away)
11:25 am	(3 rd place pool teams meet with umpires)
12:00 pm to 12:30 pm	(2 nd place team from Pool A hits in cage)
12:30 pm to 1:00 pm	(2 nd place team from Pool B hits in cage)
12:30 pm to 1:00 pm	(2 nd place team from Pool B hits in cage)

BOTH TEAMS WILL THROW ON THE FIELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FIRST GAME WHILE COIN TOSS OCCURS

2:30 pm to 3:00 pm (1st place team from Pool A hits in cage)
3:00 pm to 3:30 pm (1st place team from Pool B hits in cage)
BOTH TEAMS WILL THROW IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SECOND GAME WHILE HAVING COIN TOSS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Reminder to bring a few additional baseballs for each game you play in case the four baseballs provided get thrown out by an umpire for a busted seam or blemish or players don't get foul balls back quick enough.

Teams should bring their own water cooler/water bottles for their team.

We will have a concession stand operating throughout the tournament and would appreciate teams supporting it as all profits go to the baseball program. We use our tournament profits so we can continue to supply baseballs, purchase diamond dry in case it is necessary, and purchase our tournament trophy and all tournament plaques. We will be selling pulled pork, hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, candy, nachos, popcorn, and various types of beverages.

The tournament champion will receive a nice team plaque.

Each team's head coach will need to notify me via text or email of whom they select on their team to be on the all-tournament team. Coaches shouldn't share that with anyone so parents or players don't get upset with you over who did or didn't make the all-tournament team. Coaches know their own players better than anyone and we want the right people selected.

Both teams ending up 3rd in their pool will get to choose **one** player to be on the all-tournament team. Both teams ending up 2nd in their pool will get to choose **two** players to be on the all-tournament team. Both teams ending up 1st in their pool will get to select **three** players to be on the all-tournament team. The team winning the tournament will get to also pick one player to receive the tournament MVP plaque which means the champion gets to recognize 4 total players.

There is a total of **12** all-tournament team members and **one** MVP.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to call or email me. My cellphone number is 573-247-0864 and my email is <u>tony.edwards@salemr80.org</u>. Our Athletic Director (Clay Moody) can answer questions as well, especially over any inclement weather or scheduling issues. Mr. Moody's cellphone number is 573-247-1811 and his email is **clay.moody@salemr80.org**. Our hope is that all teams get valuable experience participating in our baseball tournament beyond just the wins and losses and that our tournament helps your team be better prepared for districts.

Sincerely,

Tony Edwards Salem Baseball