



### **Stars of Tomorrow Midseason Summer Slam Tourney Rules**

As is tradition, this event guarantees each participating team a minimum of two games. Teams will be seeded in a double elimination format on the Friday prior to the event..

Seeding will be completed on the Monday prior to the event, and game times for all divisions will be posted on the website.

### **Stars of Tomorrow Mid-Season Summer Slam – Rules Addendum**

The Stars of Tomorrow Mid-Season Summer Slam will follow regular league rules with the following exceptions and additions:

#### **Awards**

There will be team and individual awards for the top two teams in all divisions. (*Maximum of 15 Player Awards per team*)

#### **Weather Adjustments**

The league staff reserves the right to modify the tournament format, including game times, game lengths, and schedules, if weather becomes a factor.

#### **Communication Protocol**

All official announcements will be posted on the Coaches Page via the Crossbar app.

Coaches are responsible for promptly relaying all announcements to their families using the team chat feature within the Crossbar app.

#### **Game Time Limits**

No new inning may begin after 70 minutes.

An 80-minute drop-dead ( Finish the batter if batting) time limit will be enforced. If the game is not complete at that point, the score will revert to the last full inning played.

Exception: If a game gets to the 80 minute drop-dead time and is tied at the end of the last full inning, the game will continue past the 80-minute mark until that inning is completed. The team leading at the end of that inning will be declared the winner - or at any point the home team takes the lead they will be the winner.

If still tied after that full inning, International Tiebreaker (ITB) rules will be used to determine a winner.

Time limits will apply to all championship games as well.

### **Home Team Designation**

The home team for each game will be determined by a coin flip conducted prior to the start of the game.

### **Team Readiness**

All teams are expected to be ready to play a minimum of 30 minutes before their scheduled game time.

If a team is called to the diamond, they are expected to immediately proceed and be ready to begin play.

### **Player Eligibility**

During the two Mid Season Summer Slam events, we will use the same borrowing rules that are used in the Stars of Tomorrow League, with the following exceptions:

- Once a team has been eliminated from the tournament, players from that team may no longer be used as borrowed players by any remaining team.
- All Borrowed players may not pitch or catch during the tournament.
- All Borrowed players must be placed in the last position of the batting order.

These modifications are intended to preserve the spirit of the borrowing rule while maintaining competitive balance throughout the tournament.

### **Scorekeeping & Timekeeping**

The official scorekeeper is the home team.

Scorekeepers from both teams must meet between each half inning to confirm the score.

Both scorekeepers should also confirm how much time is remaining in the game by involving the umpire.

This helps avoid confusion and eliminates issues later in the game.

If there is a question or protest regarding the score or time, the first question we will ask is whether this procedure was followed.

### **Score Entry Procedure**

Umpires will enter the final score.

### **Questions or Clarifications**

If any coach has a question about these rules or any league rules, they must reach out to one of the program directors prior to the start of the tournament.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Gate Fee & Event Funding**

Please remind all families that there will be a gate fee at Swanson Park during the tournament.

The regular league season pass is not valid for this event.

As a reminder, no team pays any entry fee to participate in this tournament or in the Mid-Season Slam event.

All expenses associated with these events are covered entirely by gate revenue, which allows us to host these tournaments at no cost to the teams.

We greatly appreciate your help in making sure all families understand and respect this policy.  
Thank you and best of luck to all teams!