

EASTLAKE LITTLE LEAGUE

Player Assessment Procedures



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OVERVIEW

The Eastlake Little League (hereinafter League) via its player agents will conduct an assessment of all eligible players (hereinafter Player Assessment) according to the Little League Rule Book and the procedures described in this document for the following divisions:

- Minor League (Minor B & A)
- Little League (Majors)
- Senior League

The purpose of the Player Assessment is to allow the League to evaluate the talent levels of each player prior to the divisional drafts in order to create competitive and well-balanced teams across each assessed division. With approval from the president (or their representative), the player agents retain the right to temporarily amend the assessment procedures and/or nullify player assessments if they suspect corruption or manipulation of the process has occurred that would jeopardize the competitive balance and/or reputation of the League.

DATES & TIMES OF ASSESSMENTS

The Player Assessments will be held on the following dates:

- Saturday, January 20th & Saturday January 27th (weather permitting):
 - Minor League 9:00AM to 10:30AM
 - Majors 11:30AM to 1:00PM
- In the event of inclement weather, makeup dates will occur the following day(s)

VOLUNTEER ATTENDANCE

The assessments must be attended by at least one player agent, the president (or their representative), and the managers of each division. All approved volunteers are eligible to attend and help administer the assessments. If a manager is unable to attend the assessments or refuses to participate, they may forfeit their manager position or be excluded from participating in the Player Draft.

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PLAYER ATTENDANCE

All registered players must attend one Player Assessment for their registered division. Per Little League policy, any player that fails to attend an assessment without providing an acceptable excuse to the League's Board of Directors is ineligible to participate in their respective division, to include postseason play. A player is not eligible to assess unless they have cleared residency and age verifications through the player agents.

In the event that divisions do not have the maximum number of players, the League will permit younger players to assess for participation at a higher level under the following guidelines:

- League-aged six-year-olds must attend a Minors Assessment to be eligible to participate in Minor B or provide a valid excuse as to why they could not attend an assessment.
- League-aged ten-year-olds must attend a Majors Assessment to be eligible to participate in Majors or provide a valid excuse as to why they could not attend an assessment.

Participation in a higher division's assessment does not guarantee promotion to a higher division.

PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

The player agents will assign a number to each player attending an assessment.

SKILLS ASSESSMENT

Players will be communally assessed by the participating managers and volunteers on the following skills:

- Hitting
- Infield Fielding and Throwing
- Outfield Fielding and Throwing
- 40 Yard Dash

The player agents will prepare and distribute assessment score sheets to the participating volunteers administering the Player Assessment.

SUBMISSION OF ASSESSMENT SCORE SHEETS

All participating managers and volunteers administering the Player Assessments must provide the League with their completed assessment score sheets prior to departing an assessment.

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Managers and volunteers may retain personal notes regarding the talents and traits of the assessed players.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The results of the Player Assessments are confidential. Each volunteer attending the assessments is responsible for maintaining confidentiality and is subject to disciplinary action for violating the assessment's confidentiality.

ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

- Players may arrive at any time during their Player Assessment's window
- Players must check in with the player agent(s) to be assigned their number
- Players will enter the assessment process as follows:
 - Minor B Field - Infield
 - Minor A Out of Play - 40 Yard Dash
 - Minor A Field - Outfield
 - Majors Field - Hitting
- Managers and volunteers will communally assess the players on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the highest) for infield, outfield, and hitting
- Players may leave as soon as they complete the hitting portion of the assessment
- Managers and volunteers will submit their assessment score sheets to the player agent(s)