The great Yogi Berra once said "It ain't over 'til it's over." Nothing is more true when it comes to Little League Baseball. It ain't over when you're 12-years-old and just finished playing Little League Majors. With Arrowhead Little League, you can play baseball all the way through the middle of your high school years. For our teenagers, there are two divisions of baseball: Juniors Baseball for 13 & 14-year-olds and Seniors Baseball for 15 & 16-year-olds.

## Juniors Baseball - Spring Season Q&A

**Q** – What are the big differences between Majors and Juniors?

**A –** Juniors now play on the full size baseball field (90' base paths and 60'6" pitching mound). Lead-offs and pitcher pick-offs are now part of the game.

**Q** – Where are the games played?

**A –** Games are played at the <u>Peoria Sports Complex</u> (PSC). This is where the Padres and Mariners do their spring training. You get to play on professional baseball fields. Attention parents - no field set up or clean up (all is taken care of by the PSC staff).

**Q** – When does the season start and end?

**A –** The season starts in mid-April and this is for two reasons. First, we have to wait until the Pros are done using the PSC fields. Second, we try to reduce the overlap with middle school baseball. There will be about a two-week overlap between the seasons. This is not a problem - **you can play both**. We know your school ball is priority and we will work around the school schedule. The season ends in early June.

Q - How many games do we play?

**A –** 12 regular season games and a single elimination playoff tournament.

**Q** – What teams do we play?

**A** – You will play teams from Arrowhead and also the other North District 2 leagues which are Deer Valley, Sidewinder, Shaw Butte, Rio Vista, Cactus Wren, Holiday Park, and White Tanks.

Q - What is the competition level?

**A** – The competition level is just like any Little League division or middle school baseball. There will be a couple very good teams, a couple lower level teams, and then all the other teams will be somewhere in the middle.

**Q** – Are there tryouts?

**A –** There are no tryouts. To the best of our ability, we will honor friend and coach requests.

Q - Can we wear metal cleats and what bat do we use?

**A –** You can now wear either metal or rubber cleats. The bat specifications are as follows

- Length max 34"
- Drop none
- Certification USA or BBCOR
- Wood is allowed

**Q** – Are there All Stars?

**A –** There are All Stars and it plays through the World Series.

**Q** – When is registration?

**A –** You will register at the same time all of Arrowhead Little League registers. Dates will be posted on the website.

## Senior Baseball – Spring Season Overview

- There are no big differences between Juniors and Seniors.
- The field locations will vary depending on what leagues are playing.
- The season starts early May and goes to the end of June. Seniors do not start until the high school season is over because by high school rule, you cannot play on two teams at the same time.
- There are 12 regular season games with a single elimination playoff tournament
- Teams will be from all District 2 leagues and may also be from other Districts
- There are no tryouts.
- The bat must be a drop 3 and BBCOR certified. Wood is okay.
- There are All Stars and it plays through the World Series.
- Registration is at the same time that all of Arrowhead Little League registers. Dates will be posted on the website.