

2011 Virginia State Little League Baseball Tournament



Hosted by:

Virginia District 16

Freedom Park

Leesburg, VA 20175

July 21 - July 27

www.vadist16.org

Congratulations!

The leagues of District 16 welcome all the District Champions to our home. We congratulate you on reaching this level and are excited to present Leesburg's Freedom Park and the hospitality of District 16 to you. Good Luck and Play Ball!!!

District Administrator

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Schedule of Events

Team Registration	Thu., July 21	noon – 4:00PM	National Conference Center
Field Inspection	Thu., July 21	4:00PM	Freedom Park
Opening Ceremonies and Dinner	Thu., July 21	6:00PM – 8:00PM	National Conference Center
Tournament Meeting	Thu., July 21	9:00PM	National Conference Center
Games Begin	Fri., July 22	10:00AM	Freedom Park
Championship Game	Wed., July 27	6:00PM	Freedom Park

Sites

Registration, opening ceremonies, dinner, and the tournament meeting will take place at the National Conference Center.

National Conference Center
18980 Upper Belmont Place
Lansdowne, VA 20176
www.conferencecenter.com

All games will be played at Leesburg's Freedom Park. There are concessions and restrooms on site. Parking is available at the fields, with plenty of overflow parking available just outside the park. Bleacher seating is available, and lawn chairs are welcome.

Freedom Park
101 Colonel Grenata Circle
Leesburg, VA 20175

No smoking or tobacco use is permitted at Freedom Park, nor is alcohol allowed. **Pets are not allowed anywhere in the park.**

Practice sites will be made available in Leesburg, as needed. A signup sheet will be available at registration.

Team Registration

All teams must register with the Tournament Officials at the National Conference Center between noon and 4:00PM on Thursday, July 21. If your team will not be able to register during this time, please contact LaMott Smith at 703-608-1895 to make other arrangements.

Please call your host when you are 30 minutes away so they can meet you at registration.

Please be prepared to present the following items:

- **Your team's up-to-date tournament eligibility affidavit signed and approved by your local President and District Administrator.** The affidavits will be collected and held by the Tournament Director until your team plays their last game in the tournament.
- **2 copies of the medical release form for each player on your roster.** We'll hold on to one copy, and one stays with your affidavit.
- A hotel damage deposit check in the amount of \$300 made payable to VA District 16. These checks will be held and returned within 30 days of the conclusion of the tournament. If damage occurs to a room during the teams' stay, these funds will be used to cover the cost of damages. Any additional amount over \$300 will be the responsibility of the respective league.
- A self-addressed stamped envelope so that we can send your deposit check back to you.
- Team roster form (included below) with names of all players and official coaching staff as they would like to be announced. Please include player jersey numbers.
- Your District Championship Flag.
- Payment for additional dinner tickets.

Please note: It is vitally important that you have your tournament eligibility affidavit with you and in good order. Please take the time to review it and ensure that all necessary documentation is included before travelling to Leesburg. **Without a valid, signed, and approved affidavit package your team will not set foot on the fields.** No practices, warm-ups, no games.

A signup sheet for practice fields will be available at registration. Practice fields will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

A welcome bag will be provided for each player.

Field Inspection

All managers and coaches should arrive at (or return to) the National Conference Center by 3:45PM. A bus will take managers and coaches to Freedom Park to give everyone a chance walk the fields prior to games being played. District staff will be on hand to answer questions about the fields, ground rules, facilities, and any other question you have about Freedom Park. The bus will return to the National Conference Center in time for the opening ceremonies.

Opening Ceremonies and Dinner

Opening ceremonies and dinner will be held at the National Conference Center, beginning promptly at 6:00PM with team introductions. Please have your team in uniform and tennis shoes, lined up and ready to be introduced by 5:45PM. Make sure you have your District Championship Flag to display as your team is introduced. Team pictures will be taken.

A BBQ dinner will begin immediately following team introductions, with opening ceremonies continuing through dinner.

Dinner is provided for players and rostered coaches. Your team manager can purchase tickets for family members and others at registration for \$15 for each adult, \$10 for each child. A pre-order form is provided below. Additional tickets may be available at opening ceremonies, depending on availability.

Tournament Meeting

A mandatory meeting for managers, coaches, tournament officials, and umpires will be held at 9:00PM at the National Conference Center, following opening ceremonies.

We will review the tournament rules as well as the expectations and logistics of play: warm-up schedule, pre-game announcements, substitution process, etc. We will also do the coin flips for home and away for each of the pool-play games.

All 2011 Little League Baseball Tournament rules will be enforced and adhered to without exception. Neither the tournament officials nor the umpires have the authority to allow any variance without specific approval from the Tournament Committee in Williamsport. We ask that the teams are familiar with the Tournament playing rules and Little League safety rules before they arrive to help us avoid any misunderstandings.

Hotel Reservations

Hotel reservations for your teams have been contracted with The Zenith Group. One person should confirm reservations for the entire team with Ken Broadbent at 800-476-0542 or through the web site at www.thezenithgroup.com. Teams should not contact the hotels directly nor should families contact The Zenith Group individually. Please complete the hotel reservation form below to speed the registration process. **This should be done within one business day of your District Championship.**

One two-person room per player and coach is reserved. All players from each team will be at the same hotel, although not all teams will be in the same hotel.

At this time, only District 16 will not have rooms reserved. Any district not needing rooms must contact The Zenith Group and LaMott Smith as soon as they can.

Additional family members and guests cannot use The Zenith Group to book their rooms. A list of local area hotels is included below.

District Administrators planning to attend should contact LaMott Smith at 703-608-1895 for room reservation information.

Medical Facilities

If any medical emergency should arise, please call 911. Please report any incident involving a player or coach to LaMott Smith or Gene Gotimer as soon as possible. Players receiving medical attention for a baseball-related injury must have written approval from a doctor to return to play.

INOVA Loudoun Hospital
Emergency Room Service
224 Cornwall St. NW
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-771-2894

INOVA Loudoun Hospital
Complete Hospital Center
44045 Riverside Parkway
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-858-6000

Dining, Shopping, & Recreation Information

Please contact the Loudoun Convention and Visitors Center with any questions you have about restaurants, shopping, and local activities in and around Leesburg.

Loudoun Convention & Visitors Center
222 Catocin Circle
Leesburg, VA 20175
800-772-6118
www.visitloudoun.org

Souvenirs

State Tournament t-shirts and pins will be available for purchase at Freedom Park.

Pictures

A photography company will be on-site to take action photos during the games. No unofficial team representatives will be allowed in the dugouts or on the fields. Photography or filming is allowed through the fence.

Team pictures will also be taken at opening ceremonies.

Equipment

Each team must provide their own equipment. District 16 will provide assistance in case of emergency.

Please inspect your equipment before travelling. In accordance with Little League Baseball rules, umpires and tournament officials will inspect equipment before it will be allowed in the dugout to make

sure it is legal and in good repair. Some of the things that will be inspected include, but are not limited to:

- Helmets must be NOCSAE-approved and cannot be modified. Helmets cannot be repainted nor have added decals or stickers, including name or number stickers, or else they must have a certification letter from the manufacturer for each helmet.
- Catcher's masks must be NOCSAE-approved and must have a dangling throat protector, even hockey-style masks. If the throat protector does not dangle when the mask is turned to face the ground, it is not a dangling throat protector.
- Male catchers must wear long-model chest protectors.
- Bats must be Little League-approved, no more than 2¼ inches in diameter and the barrel must be made of a non-composite material unless explicitly approved by Little League International. Composite-handle bats are permitted. Non-wood bats must be printed with a BPF of 1.15 or lower.

NOTE: Approved composite bats are notoriously difficult to distinguish from non-approved bats. We will use the latest list from Little League (<http://www.littleleague.org/learn/equipment/approvedcompbatssmall.htm>) when determining whether a bat is legal for use in the tournament or not. To reduce confusion, we suggest you carry a printout of the listing from Little League's site if you know that your bat is on the approved list. We will do our best to identify legal bats, but we will err on the side of caution and will not allow a composite bat to be used if we cannot determine that it is explicitly approved.

Equipment that is damaged or not permitted will be removed from the dugout and will be held by the District Staff until your team plays their final game in the State Tournament. This includes, for example, "big barrel" bats that are in a player's equipment bag in the dugout. Please leave travel gear and other non-Little League equipment at home.

The following sports stores are within 15 minutes of Leesburg:

Cheers Sporting Goods
20099 Ashbrook Place, Suite 110
Ashburn, VA 20147
703-723-3111

Dick's Sporting Goods
21070 Dulles Town Center
Dulles, VA 20166
571-434-0046

Play It Again Sports
530 East Market St. NE
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-777-3043

Walmart
950 Edwards Ferry Road
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-779-0102

Target
1200 Edwards Ferry Road
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-777-8730

After Winning your District Tournament

1. **Celebrate!**
2. Contact LaMott Smith, District 16 Administrator, at 703-608-1895.
3. Email a full-size, color team photo (preferably holding your District Champions banner) to state@vadist16.org.
4. Email the team roster, including players' first and last names (not necessarily their legal name, but the name they go by) and jersey number to state@vadist16.org, to be added to the program.
5. Contact Ken Broadbent at The Zenith Group at 800-476-0542 or through the web site at www.thezenithgrp.com to reserve hotel rooms.
6. Verify that the tournament eligibility affidavit is signed by your District Administrator and includes a boundary map with player's residences marked and numbered, player's birth certificates, at least three different forms of address verification, two medical release forms, pitcher's records updated through the District Tournament play, and any associated waivers.
7. Please make sure all team equipment is legal and in good repair. Helmets with stickers, paint, or any other post-factory additions or modifications must have a certification letter from the manufacturer for each helmet. Bats must not have flat spots and must have legible writing certifying Little League-approval. All illegal or damaged equipment will be removed and held by District 16 staff until the end of the State Tournament. No exceptions! Catching this at home will save a lot of heartache at the State Tournament.

Tournament Play Guidelines

Teams should arrive at the field 75 minutes prior to game time and should report immediately to the Tournament Director. If not already done, a coin toss will decide home and visitor. The team travelling furthest will call the toss. The winner will choose home or visitor. Home will get the first base dugout, visitors the third base dugout.

Teams will have 25 minutes of time in the batting cage, followed by 10 minutes of infield practice (as long as time permits). A rostered coach or manager must be present before any player can take batting practice, infield practice, or can occupy the dugout. Non-rostered adults or children may not enter the dugout, the batting cage, nor the playing field at any time before or during games.

When time allows, each team will be announced 10 minutes prior to every game, visiting team first. Announcements will be followed by the National Anthem, the Little League Pledge, and the ceremonial first pitch (home catcher to receive). The plate conference with managers, umpires, and the Tournament Director will follow.

Every substitution, position change, etc., must be made from the inside of the field by the manager to the official scorer while accompanied by the umpire-in-chief. Once a change is announced, it is official. The official scorer and tournament officials will not knowingly allow illegal substitutions or changes. However, the manager is always 100% responsible for ensuring the change is proper and legal.

After the game is over, be sure the pitchers are properly recorded in your affidavit (which will be kept by the Tournament Director throughout the tournament). Once you leave the field, the affidavits cannot be changed.

Once a team plays their final game at the State Tournament, pins will be presented on the field to each player, manager, and coach.

After you check out of your hotel and it is noted that no damage has occurred, your league's \$300 damage deposit will be mailed to your league.

Opening Ceremony and Dinner Order Form

Please email the following information to state@vadist16.org before your arrival to ensure that tickets for your families to attend the opening ceremonies and dinner are available.

District: _____

League: _____

Number of tickets: Adult: _____ x \$15.00 = _____

 Children: _____ x \$10.00 = _____

 Total: _____

Payment will be collected at registration. Checks should be made payable to VA District 16.

Team Roster Form

Please email the following information to state@vadist16.org as soon as your district champion has been determined. Please list names as they would like to be announced. **Please verify spelling!**

District: _____

League: _____

Manager Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ *(cell phone preferred)*

Coach Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ *(cell phone preferred)*

Coach Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ *(cell phone preferred)*

Player Name (first and last)

Jersey #

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____

Hotels near Leesburg

Here is a partial list of hotels near Leesburg that may be suitable for families.

Lansdowne, Ashburn, Dulles, and Sterling are all nearby and convenient for family members travelling back and forth from Leesburg.

Hilton Garden Inn Dulles North
22400 Flagstaff Plaza
Ashburn, VA 20148
703-723-8989
dullesnorth.hgi.com

Aloft Dulles Airport North
22390 Flagstaff Plaza
Dulles, VA 20148
703-723-6969
aloft-hotels.com

Embassy Suites Hotel Dulles
44610 Waxpool Road
Ashburn, VA 20147
703-723-5300
embassysuites.com

Homewood Suites by Hilton
44620 Waxpool Road
Dulles, VA 20147
703-723-7500
homewoodsuites.com

Candlewood Suites Extended Stay Hotel
45520 East Severn Way
Sterling, VA 20166
703-674-2288
candlewoodsuites.com

Courtyard By Marriott Dulles Town Center Hotel
45500 Majestic Drive
Sterling, VA 20166
800-321-2211
marriott.com

Residence Inn Dulles Airport at Dulles 28 Centre
45250 Monterey Place
Dulles, VA 20166
703-421-2000
marriott.com

Doubletree Hotel Dulles Airport
21611 Atlantic Boulevard
Sterling, VA 20166
703-230-0077
airportdulleshotel.com

Suburban Extended Stay Hotel Wash. Dulles
45510 East Severn Way
Sterling, VA 20166
703-674-2299
suburbanhotels.com

Extended Stay America Hotel
46001 Waterview Plaza
Sterling, VA 20166
703-444-7240
extendedstayamerica.com

Hyatt Place Sterling/Dulles Airport
21481 Ridgetop Circle
Sterling, VA 20166
703-444-3909
hyatt.com

TownePlace Suites
21123 Whitfield Place
Sterling, VA 20165
703-421-1090
marriott.com

Hotel Sierra Washington Dulles
45520 Dulles Plaza
Sterling, VA 20166
703-435-9002
hotel-sierra.com

Comfort Inn & Suites
45515 Dulles Plaza
Sterling, VA 20166
703-471-5005
sterlingvahotel.com

Doubletree Hotel Dulles Airport
21611 Atlantic Boulevard
Sterling, VA 20166
703-230-0077
airportdulleshotel.com

Hampton Inn & Suites Dulles Airport
22700 Holiday Park Drive
Sterling, VA 20166
703-537-7800
hamptonsuitesdullesairport.com

Best Western-Airport
45440 Holiday Drive
Sterling, VA 20166
703-471-8300
book.bestwestern.com

Tournament Game Schedule

Pools

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
District 1	District 13	District 6	District 16
District 2	District 7	District 5	District 15
District 3	District 12	District 9	District 11
District 10	District 14	District 8	District 4

Pool Play Games

Friday, July 22		Saturday, July 23		Sunday, July 24	
Huber	Reavis	Huber	Reavis	Huber	Reavis
10:00AM D-1 vs. D-2	10:30AM D-11 vs. D-4	10:00AM D-5 vs. D-8	10:30AM D-13 vs. D-12	10:00AM D-1 vs. D-10	10:30AM D-15 vs. D-11
1:00PM D-13 vs. D-7	1:30PM D-3 vs. D-10	1:00PM D-15 vs. D-4	1:30PM D-6 vs. D-9	1:00PM D-13 vs. D-14	1:30PM D-2 vs. D-3
4:00PM D-6 vs. D-5	4:30PM D-12 vs. D-14	4:00PM D-2 vs. D-10	4:30PM D-16 vs. D-11	4:00PM D-6 vs. D-8	4:30PM D-7 vs. D-12
7:00PM D-16 vs. D-15	7:30PM D-9 vs. D-8	7:00PM D-7 vs. D-14	7:30PM D-1 vs. D-3	7:00PM D-16 vs. D-4	7:30PM D-5 vs. D-9

Single Elimination Games

