

RULES AND REGULATIONS

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Forward

The K-18 Baseball Association was organized in the Spring of 1949 with the following listed teams entries as charter members: Ada, Bennington, Beverly, Lincoln, Lucas, Minneapolis, Paradise, Sylvan Grove, Tescott and Vesper. The goal of this Association is to make organized baseball available to every child, ages 12 to 15, inclusive, in the State of Kansas.

First and above all, this program stresses sportsmanship, citizenship, cooperation, and character development. Second is the development of baseball players and providing children of this age group with a supervised summer sports program, thereby defeating the forces of juvenile delinquency.

The officers of this Association feel that a service club, church, or other organization can provide no greater benefit to the youth of its community than to undertake the sponsorship for a team entry in one of the Association's component Leagues. The players will be grateful!

RULES & REGULATIONS

1.00 - Association Organization and Subdivision

- 1.01** This organization shall be known as the K-18 Baseball Association and shall be composed of not less than four teams not more than 10 teams in each League. Regional Commissioners determine changes in Leagues because of the number of Teams.
- 1.02 A** The officials of this Association shall be a State Commissioner who shall be elected for a four year term on even numbered years at the Annual Meeting of this Association along with an Assistant State Commissioner and two Regional Commissioners, one of whom shall be elected for a four-year term at each Annual Meeting of this Association beginning 1981. Each year thereafter a Regional Commissioner shall be elected for a four year term. The State Commissioner shall have the authority to appoint a Secretary-Treasurer if he deems it necessary. State Commissioner(s) shall have the authority to appoint a Regional Commissioner to complete an unexpired term of a Regional Commissioner which is being vacated for any reason. A new Regional Commissioner will then serve until completion of that unexpired term, and then stand for re-election.
- B** The Association shall be divided into Two Regions, and a Commissioner shall be elected from each of the two Regions.
- C** Each Regional Commissioner is given the responsibility of selecting a site for the Regional Tournament in his or her Region, of setting up the Tournament with the assistance of the local sponsor, and of being on hand for the Tournament.

State Commissioners are responsible for running the State Tournament (setting dates, place, rules, etc.)

Every effort shall be made to hold the State Tournament in Lucas which is a central site. Changing the site of the State Tournament from Lucas shall take a 3/4 majority vote from the Commissioners and shall be ratified by a 3/4 majority vote of State Association member team. Exception would be unable to host at Lucas due to field not capable of being used, Commissioner's would select an alternative site.

- D** All questions of rules interpretation, registration of players, of final determination of league standings, of eligibility of players and teams for tournament play, and of entry and annual fees payments shall be first directed to the Commissioner of the appropriate Region rather than the State Commissioner.
- E** Each Regional Commissioner is given the responsibility of operating his or her Region, handling all matters pertaining to Association business with the Leagues and Teams in his or her Region.
- F** In all matters the Regional Commissioners can call on the State Commissioner and Assistant State Commissioner for consultation before rendering a final decision if he or she deems it appropriate or necessary.
- G** Each Regional Commissioner, in his or her Region, is to instruct the League Recorders as to why timely reports of registration, submission of entry forms, annual fees, game reports, etc. are absolutely essential for successful operation of the Association, and how responsible League Recorders can handle local problems. The League Recorders can and must provide the basic backbone of the Association. The Leagues must be made to understand that they must elect responsible people to this position.

- H** In all matters the chain-of-command for questions, problems, etc. is:
First - the League Recorder
Second - the Regional Commissioner(s)
Third - the Assistant State Commissioner(s) and the State Commissioner together. All appeals should follow this chain of command until the dispute is resolved.
- I** All Commissioners and League Recorders shall be furnished by the Association an Official Association Rulebook, and a National Federation of State High School Associations Baseball Rule Book as the source materials for rules interpretation matters.
- J** All rules regarding operation of the Association shall be strictly adhered to, even at the risk of penalizing the youngsters for whom the Organization exists. This will help assure the election of more responsible individuals from the coaching level on up.
- K** The State and Regional Commissioners together, shall have the authority to suspend or remove, either temporarily or permanently, any manager, coach or assistant coach whose actions, conduct or comments about or directed toward umpires or association officials which are determined, in their judgment, to be flagrantly in violation of the principles of sportsmanship and detrimental to the Association. No authority to levy any monetary fines shall be included in this ruling.
- L** K-18 Baseball players will be required to show “proper respect” during the National Anthem, or they won’t be able to play. The K-18 Baseball Association has adopted a no-tolerance policy when it comes to players’ behavior during the National Anthem before games.

What does “proper respect” mean? According to the K-18 Baseball Association, a player will achieve proper respect by standing upright, facing the flag, and hat held over the heart.

- 1.03** The Annual State K-18 Baseball Meeting will be called to order by the State Commissioner the Sunday before the NFL Super Bowl at 3:00 p.m. using the Zoom online meeting platform. All general Association business shall be transacted and elections held as stated in Rules 1.02A. Each team entry shall be entitled to one vote in all Association matters.

Any rule change ideas must be presented after the season of play by August 31st. The ideas presented the previous season by August 31st may be recommended at the Annual Meeting to the Association officers. Decisions of said Association officers shall govern all such rule changes.

- 1.04** Each League shall hold its own Annual Meeting on or before the 1st Sunday in April. At this meeting its members shall transact all League business and shall elect from its membership a League Recorder. The name and address of the Recorder will be sent to the Regional and State Commissioners. **EACH** team entry is entitled to **ONE** vote in all League matters. A copy of the meeting minutes or letters sent to Coaches will be sent to your Regional Commissioner and the State Commissioner.

- 1.05** An annual fee of \$200 per team is due by April 30th being postmarked no later than April 30th. (Mailed to the Regional Commissioner at the mailing address in the front of this rule book) There will be a \$20 penalty on any fee that is late.

Any team not having paid their fees by July 15th **Will Not** be eligible to play in the Regional or State Tournaments. Player Registration Roster forms are to be sent and postmarked no later than June 15th to the Regional Commissioner.

Any team that has not paid their team fees will not be allowed to participate in the K-18 Baseball program the following season until all fees are paid. \$25.00 of the annual fee shall go to each League Recorder for the cost of phone calls, postage, etc. The State Commissioner will reimburse each League Recorder. Each League shall be responsible for the cost and printing of their own League schedules. Acceptance of new team entries and formation of Leagues and other subdivisions shall be at the discretion of Association officials, and shall be accomplished for the welfare of the Association program as a whole.

2.00 - Eligibility and Registration

- 2.01** Eligibility of players of all teams' entries of this Association, for regular season and all tournaments shall be as follows:

Players must be at least 13 years old and no older than 16 years old as of December 31st, 2026. Eligible birthdates are from January 1st, 2010 to December 31st, 2013.

No player may turn 17 years old at any time during the 2026 calendar year.

A Regional Commissioner may give special permission for 12-year-olds born between January 1st, 2014 and December 31st, 2014, to participate if they are needed to fill a team roster.

Any changes in the age for K-18 players will be a simple majority vote of the commissioners and ratified by 3/4 majority secret ballot vote of member teams that are currently in the K-18 Association.

Passed in 2023 by 3/4 of the participating teams in good standing.

Consensus of Commissioner's was to add additional language and leave the rule as it was voted on and approved by teams in 2023.

2.02 Each team entry may register up to 20 players up to June 15th of each year by which date copies of such registration showing registrants' full names in their own handwriting and dates of birth shall be forwarded to the Regional Commissioner and the League Recorder. No player shall register with more than one team. Any subsequent changes in the active roster, other than the transfer of a player from one team entry to another, shall be reported to the League Recorder and his written acknowledgment received before such new player shall be eligible to play in any games. The League Recorder shall send a copy of such acknowledgment to the Association State Commission.

2.03 All players should have an address for the team that they play on. Should their school district and address be different they may play for the team in their school district provided there is no team at their home address. Transferring to another team requires a signed waiver from the manager of the team from which the players wants to transfer from. The player transferring must request to play for the nearest team, as the crow flies first and so on. The home team will need to release the player. The transfers must be approved by the regional

commissioner before the player would be allowed to play on another team. Communities have a deadline of April 30th to form teams, no player transfers until April 30th and cannot transfer after June 15th.

- 2.03a** Any player desiring to transfer from one team entry to another after June 15th must obtain a written and signed release by the Manager of the team from which he is transferring, and such release shall be certified by Association officials before the player shall be eligible to play in any subsequent game. The State Commissioner shall notify the League Recorder of such change.
- 2.03b** If a community or school district does not have a K-18 Baseball team, players from that community or school district may go to the nearest team to play. Those players have the option of continuing with the team throughout their eligibility in K-18 Baseball or coming back to their community if a team is formed the following season.
- 2.04** Active rosters as listed with the Regional Commissioner on JUNE 15 of each year shall determine eligibility for tournament play. Any team not having submitted their active roster by June 15th **WILL NOT** be eligible to compete in the Regional or State Tournaments.
- 2.06** In all controversies involving eligibility and transfers, players and managers may have the right to appeal to the Association Officials, whose decision will be final. Any game in which a rule is violated concerning eligibility of players, may be forfeited upon the decision of the Officials.
- 2.07** Each manager, upon demand, shall furnish to the Association Officials a birth certificate for any one of

his players, who is questioned by the opposing manager, under penalty of forfeiture of all games played in which questioned boy participated.

- 2.08** A player may be a member of only one K-18 Baseball Association team entry at any given time. Regional Commissioner's and State Commissioner's shall have the authority to rule on the eligibility of all players. Rule 3.12 will apply.
- 2.09** For a player to be eligible to participate in post season he or she must play in at least 50% of regular league game dates unless injured and not playing in games during the time of the injury. If a player is injured he or she will be given credit of being on the team if he or she is attending practice and attending games. To document their attendance it will be required to record on Game Changer and in the scorebook as an injured player.

All K-18 Association teams must use the Game Changer program and must allow access by the League Recorder of their teams account. Home team must also keep a hard copy scorebook.

Any team violating the 50% Rule is automatically disqualified from any further play in K-18 Baseball postseason for the remainder of the season.

3.00 - Playing Rules and Regulations

- 3.01** Playing rules and regulations of this Association shall be the National Federation of State High School Association Baseball Rule Book with the exception of the rules and regulations in the Official K-18 Association Rulebook.
- 3.02** This Association shall have no regulations requiring uniforms, enclosed playing fields, or monetary fines.

- 3.03** The use of steel spikes for play in the K-18 Baseball Association is optional. This rule applies to all team managers, players, coaches managers, ball boys, trainers; any member of the team.
- 3.03a** The K-18 Baseball Penalty for violating the NFHS Baseball Bat rule, by using an illegal bat in a game, will result in the player using the illegal bat and the head coach being ejected from the game.
- 3.04** An official regular season game counting toward league standings shall be a seven (7) inning game and will be the first game of a doubleheader, unless shortened or lengthened legally due to rain, darkness, tie, or other conditions. A regulation league game shall be considered official if four (4) full innings have been completed and the game is not tied, or three and one-half (3½) innings have been completed with the home team leading. For postseason games, a game shall be considered official if five (5) full innings have been completed and not tied, or four and one-half (4½) innings have been completed with the home team leading. If a game is called after it has reached official status but before the completion of a full inning, the score shall revert to the last completed inning unless the home team has taken the lead in the incomplete inning, in accordance with NFHS rules. The second game of a league doubleheader shall not count toward league standings and will be a three (3) inning game with a maximum of five (5) runs per inning to allow for player participation, and Pitch Count Rule 3.12 remains in effect. All K-18 Regional and State Tournament games shall be seven (7) inning games, and run rules shall apply to all seven (7) inning league and tournament games. A decision must be made within thirty (30) minutes after play has been halted as to whether the game will continue or be suspended to a later date.

- 3.04a** Run rules for league games, regional and state tournaments are as follows: 7 inning games, 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings.
- 3.04b** Two coaches and a manager will have a gate pass at the Regional and State Tournaments along with any players that are competing in the tournaments.
- 3.04c** In all Regular Season games, teams may start a game with eight players. The ninth spot in the lineup will be counted as an out in the batting order. If the ninth rostered player arrives anytime during the game, he/she will be allowed to enter the game. He/She will be allowed to enter into the ninth spot in the batting order and inserted into the game defensively.

All Post Season games must have nine players to start a game or the game will be counted as a forfeited game.

- 3.05** Any team finding it necessary to postpone a league game for any reason other than an act of God or an accident must notify its opponent at least 12 hours before the game time or forfeit the game. Any postponed game shall be rescheduled and played at the earliest possible date, and failure of a team to cooperate in the rescheduling of a postponed game shall constitute cause for forfeiture of the game. The postponement of any League game shall be reported by the home team Manager to the League Recorder within 24 hours of game time.

If a team fails to show up for a regular season or post-season game it will be counted as a forfeit 30 minutes after the scheduled play time.

- 3.06** An Extra Hitter (EH) will be allowed but not mandatory. The option of using an (EH) must be selected

prior to the start of the game. The (EH) must be listed on the line-up card in any spot from #1 batter thru #10 batter.

The (EH) is considered a starting player and cannot be eliminated after the game has started. If a team can't play a person in the (EH) position, in which they began the game with, due to injury etc., they will take an out when the (EH) position is up to bat.

The (EH) may be swapped in the field for any defensive player. The swapped players would have to keep their same spots in the batting order. If the swapped defensive player leaves the game a replacement would have to fill his spot in batting order as an (EH) or the open batting spot would be an out when that spot comes up to bat.

All starters including the starting (EH) may reenter a game one time but must reenter in their original starting batting order. Non-starters cannot reenter a game after being taken out of the game.

The Extra Hitter Rule allows more players an opportunity to get playing time.

- 3.07** The team Sponsor or Manager shall be responsible for their players and coaches eligibility, conduct and ABOVE ALL, SPORTSMANSHIP.
- 3.07a** The K-18 Baseball Association does not condone any type of racially motivated or derogatory comments by players, coaches or fans. Umpires and Commissioners will have anyone violating this rule removed from the facility at their discretion.
- 3.08** The Scorekeeper for each team shall forward a copy of

the box score, including pitchers pitch count, to the League Recorder by noon of the next day after the completion of games.

- 3.09** K-18 Baseball Association recommends that all teams use at least one NFHS certified umpire.

Regional Commissioners will approve umpires for Regional Tournaments and State Commissioners will approve State Tournament umpires.

UMPIRES SHOULD EMPHASIZE SPORTSMANSHIP AND FAIR PLAY IN ALL MATTERS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION.

- 3.10** Decisions resulting from an umpire's judgement may not be appealed. Decisions involving conformance to rules may be appealed in writing by team managers to the Regional Commissioner and/or the State Commissioner within 24 hours after the completion of ball game. A protest shall not constitute cause for withdrawing a team from an unfinished game, and such a withdrawal shall be cause for game forfeiture.
- 3.11** The K-18 Baseball Association season shall be officially opened on May 1 of each year.

- 3.12** **PITCHING RULE:** A pitcher may not pitch more than eighty-five pitches in seventy-two hours. Any pitcher who exceeds the pitching limitations shall be subject to the penalties contained in the NFHS Baseball Rulebook as an illegal and/or ineligible player.

A pitcher who reaches eighty-five (85) pitches in seventy two (72) hours in the leagues season games or one hundred-five (105) pitches in a Regional or State Tournament games in seventy two (72) hours must be re-

moved as a pitcher when any one of the following occurs.

Batter who is being pitched to when eight-five (85) pitches or one hundred-five (105) pitches is reached makes an out or gets on base in any manner.

Opposing team being pitched to makes the third out of the inning.

Violation of this rule will result in a forfeit. It is a forfeit when either umpire deems that a team has not removed their pitcher before the pitch count rule was violated or a team has violated the pitch count of the 72-hour rule.

Four Pitch walk. No pitches will be thrown and will not be counted against pitch count. Coach or catcher will signal umpire for “no pitch.”

3.13 This rule limits the number of trips to a pitcher during any one inning. **One** visit per pitcher per inning is allowed. A second visit to the same pitcher in the same inning will result in that pitcher being replaced as pitcher, but he may go on to another position. He may **not** return in that inning as pitcher.

A pitcher replaced prior to the 2nd visit may return as pitcher after one batter has been struck out, walked, or otherwise completed his at-bat.

A conference is **not** charged to the new pitcher when the old pitcher is replaced.

A removed pitcher under the 2nd visit rule may return to pitch in another inning providing he has not left the game under a substitute rule and if he had not exceeded

the pitch count rule. Refer to 3.12.

If a current pitcher or previous pitcher is replaced in the game and removed from play under the free substitution rule, he is precluded from returning to that game as a pitcher.

3.14 A hitter may be (not mandatory) designated for any one starting player (not just pitchers) and all subsequent substitutes for that player in the game. A starting defensive player cannot be listed as the designated hitter in the starting lineup. A designated hitter for said player shall be selected prior to the start of the game, and his name shall be included on the lineup cards presented to the umpire-in-chief and to the official scorer. A team forfeits the use of a designated hitter if it fails to declare a designated hitter prior to the game. If a pinch hitter or pinch runner for the designated hitter is used, that player becomes the new designated hitter. The player who was the designated hitter may re-enter as the designated hitter under the re-entry rule. A designated hitter and the player for whom he is batting are locked into the batting order. No multiple substitutions may be made that will alter the batting rotation. The role of the designated hitter is terminated for the remainder of the game when:

a. the defensive player, or any previous defensive player for whom the designated hitter batted, subsequently bats, pinch-hits or pinch-runs for the designated hitter; or

b. the designated hitter or any previous designated hitter assumes a defensive position.

3.15 Courtesy runners can be used as part of high school baseball game speed up rules. Most states use this option, so umpires must know the rules regarding cour-

tesy runners.

A courtesy runner is someone who is not batting in the game and can be used to run for the pitcher or catcher. This allows the pitcher and/or catcher to get back on defense more quickly when the half-inning ends. The courtesy runner remains a regular substitute who can come into the game as a fielder or batter.

Here are the rules regarding a courtesy runner:

- The same courtesy runner cannot run for the pitcher and the catcher. A courtesy runner runs for the position, not the player. Thus if a pitcher is moved to the catching position and then gets on base, he must have a different courtesy runner as catcher than he did as pitcher.
- Any player who has played in the game cannot be a courtesy runner.
- If a player participates as a courtesy runner in a given inning, he cannot go into the game as a batter in the same half inning.
- If a player bats for the pitcher or catcher, that player is not allowed a courtesy runner if he reaches base.
- A courtesy runner can be replaced on base by an other courtesy runner.

The plate umpire must record any courtesy runner's participation.

3.16a Non-equipment Ejection of Player. Any player, who is ejected from a game for a non-equipment issue, will sit out the remainder of the game, which is in progress, as well as any remaining games for that day. In addi-

tion, the player will sit out the next date of K-18 competition (7-inning game).

- 3.16b** Non-equipment Ejection of a Coach. Any coach, who is ejected from a game for a non-equipment issue, will sit out the remainder of the game, which is in progress, as well as any remaining games for that day. In addition, the coach will sit out the next date of K-18 competition (7-inning game).

3.17 K-18 BASEBALL TIEBREAKER CRITERIA

1 - The first criteria will be overall record. We will take an overall percentage of your games (wins and losses) played to figure out which team has a higher percentage. The team with the higher percentage will receive the tiebreaker. This method should make teams feel the need of scheduling make-up dates when there is harvest season or rainouts that may cause cancellations. It is the home teams responsibility to make-up cancelled dates. If the home team does not make an attempt to find available make-up game dates then they forfeit their games to the visiting team. If the visiting team cannot find a justified reason why they will not make up a cancelled game, then they will forfeit the games to the home team. If an open date cannot be found for both teams, then the games can be officially cancelled and neither will have the games implemented into their overall K-18 record.

2 - The second criteria will be head-to-head. The team that defeats an opposing team head-to-head more times than the other team will receive the tiebreaker. If for instance the Kansas City Royals played the New York Yankees in two, two-game series in a season and the Royals won four out of four games against the Yankees but both of the teams had the same overall record at the

end of the season, the tiebreaker would go to the Royals since they won all four head-to-head match-ups.

3 - The third criteria will be head-to-head defensive runs given up. The team that gives up the fewest head-to-head defensive runs will receive the tiebreaker. For instance if the Kansas City Royals beat the Chicago White Sox in game one by a 10 to 8 score, and beat them in game two by a 12 to 2 score, but then the White Sox beat the Royals by 11 to 9 score in game three and beat them again by a 10 to 5 score in game four the tiebreaker would go to the Royals. The Royals would have a total of 31 defensive runs given up compared to the White Sox 36 runs given up.

4 - The fourth criteria will be given to the team that gave up the least amount of defensive runs per game for a total K-18 league season. This is the total runs given up divided by the games played. (Average of runs scored)

5 - The fifth criteria will be offensive runs scored. The team that scores more runs offensively throughout a total K-18 league season per game will receive the tiebreaker. This is the total runs scored divided by the games played. (Average of runs scored)

6 - The last criteria will be a coin flip.

4.00 - SPECIAL REGULATIONS

4.01 Each team entry shall retain the gate receipts from its home games, and each league must set their own admission charge.

4.01a For the Regional and State Tournaments the minimum admission charges shall be: Age 6 thru adults \$5.00;

and age 5 & under Free admission.

- 4.02** Gambling, profanity, or alcoholic beverages will not be tolerated at any game in which a team entry of this Association is a contestant. In addition, smoking and chewing tobacco by players, coaches, managers, bat boys, etc. shall not be allowed in or on the playing area, including on the benches.
- 4.03** It shall be the policy of this Association to determine a Kansas Champion of the K-18 Baseball Association by a system of tournaments to be held immediately following the regular season.

Failure of any team entry to complete tournament play as scheduled shall constitute cause for suspension from the Association.

All League games **MUST** be completed at least 48 hours before the start of the Regional Tournament. All Regional Tournaments **MUST** end at least 48 hours before the State Tournament begins.

- 4.04** Any community wishing to host a Regional Tournament and who is selected by their respective Regional Commissioner shall supply the field, field maintenance concession stand, gate keepers, scorekeeper and P.A. system with announcer.
- 4.05** During all league games, the home team is responsible for any music played at the field, and all music must be appropriate for a family-friendly environment, with vulgar, explicit, or offensive language, including any form of profanity, strictly prohibited. Visiting teams, including players, coaches, and fans, are not permitted to play any music that can be heard outside of their immediate personal space, and music played from the dugout, stands,

or personal devices that is audible to others is not allowed, as all audible music must be controlled by the home team only. Any violation of this policy will be reported to the Regional Commissioner and must include documented evidence, and a second violation by the same team will result in a forfeiture of the game. This policy was approved by the Commissioners and has been communicated to all teams.

During K-18 Baseball Regional and State Tournament games, all music will be controlled exclusively by the press box, and no team, including players, coaches, or fans, is permitted to play music that can be heard by others at any time during tournament play.

- 4.06** The gate receipts go to the K-18 Association. The concession monies go to the community that hosts the tournament. The K-18 Association shall contract with and pay the umpires and supply the baseballs and medals. K-18 Baseball will follow the NFHS Bat Rule. Any rules not covered in this K-18 Rule Book will go to the NFHS Baseball Rule Book for clarification.

5.00 - SAFETY RULES

- 5.01** There shall not be anyone warming up on the side lines between 1st and home or between 3rd and home bases during pre-game warm-ups nor during the ball game. This rule is enforced for the safety of the players and officials.
- 5.02** The home team shall provide shelter for the visiting team in case of storm and see that the visiting team is directed to the shelter if needed. This should be covered in the ground rules by the umpires.

- 5.03** During a game all baseball equipment, helmets, bats, catching gear, etc. shall be inside the dugouts.
- 5.04** All other safety rules are covered by the National Federation of State High School Association Baseball Rulebook.
- 5.05** **NOBODY** will be allowed on the playing field while the game is in progress except players, coaches and umpires.
- 5.06** **Lightning Rule:** Refer to NFHS Guidelines.
- 5.07** **Weather Delay or Postponement of K-18 State Tournament Games**

If severe weather is approaching, games will be suspended, fans cleared from the complex and given options to take cover at Lucas locations.

If there is a lightning delay we will follow the NFHS lightning strike rule of waiting 30 minutes after each strike.

If championship games are postponed the games will be played in Lucas or an alternative site the following day. If one of the teams cannot play the following day who ever is winning the game will be determined the winner. If there is no score or the game has not started our tie breaker rule will be used to determine the winner.

Postponed games resume exactly where the game was stopped.

The K-18 Baseball Association will pay the expense for umpires for the Championship games.

GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING REGIONAL TOURNAMENT PLAY

Method 1. Establish your Leagues Regional Tournament representative(s) based on final League standings at the end of the regular season.

Method 2. After regular season has ended conduct League Tournaments or Sub-Regional Tournaments to select teams for the Regional Tournament.

Either method can be used or a combination of the two, but **MUST** be established at the beginning of the season. All teams must vote on the method to be used with majority ruling. Rule 1.04

If any League Tournament games are played in more than one location, the Host team should be responsible for obtaining umpires. If the tournament is held in one location, then the Regional Commissioner's shall be responsible for obtaining umpires for the entire tournament unless some other method is determined by all of the teams involved in the League.

**In Memory of A.E. Rodgers who
served as a Commissioner for
K-18 Baseball Association
and was an advocate of
Youth participation in athletics.**

**The 1st Place Team
will receive the
A.E. Rodgers K-18 Championship
Traveling Trophy
and retain possession
for one year.**

**Support K-18
"THE BOYS WILL BE GRATEFUL"**

