

FWNLL 50/70 INFORMATIONAL MEETING

What is 50/70?

The INTERMEDIATE (50/70) Baseball Division was introduced in January, 2010, as a pilot program for 12- and 13-year-olds which utilizes a 50-foot pitching distance and 70-foot base paths.

The division became official to Little League Baseball in 2013 for players league-age 11-13, offers a transition for players between the standard Little League field size (46-foot pitching distance and 60-foot base paths) and the Junior/Senior/Big League field size (60-foot, 6-inch pitching distance and 90-foot base paths).

Many of the Junior League rules are used such as runners being permitted to lead off bases, runners may attempt to steal at any time, and allowing an on-deck batter.

Why is FWNLL just-now offering 50/70?

FWNLL has offered 50/70 for a few years, but registration did not reach a critical mass to allow us to field a team. This year we noticed increased interest from players and we have a coaching staff committed to this division. We have already communicated with other local league to merge players onto 1 team if we are not able to field a team of our own.

Where are practices and games?

Practices could be at the FWNLL complex, or other city and school fields.

Home games will likely be at South King County ball fields or at the Soundview fields at Brown's Point Elementary.

Away games will involve a bit more travel, but the schedule is created in a way to ease the burden. Saturday double headers are common.

What is the season schedule?

Games will start sometime in April and play through the end of May. Games are likely played on Mondays-Wednesdays & Saturdays much like Majors. This is to avoid conflicts with the middle school schedule.

Does Intermediate 50/70 have All Star Teams?

YES! Like Juniors & Seniors there is an All-Star tournament. It is likely that there is no district tournament, so 50/70 all star teams move pretty quickly directly to a State Tournament.

The culmination of the International Tournament is the Intermediate (50/70) Baseball World Series, featuring teams from around the world. All expenses for the teams advancing to the World Series (travel, meals and housing) are paid by Little League International.