

2011 Hammond Chiefs Wooden Bat Fall League Schedule

1. White 2. Gray 3. Black 4. Blue 5.Green

All Games Played at Riverside Park Hammond, South Field
(October 1st & 2nd games played on Riverside Park North Field)
Home Team Listed Last, Bye Indicates No Game That Day

September

Sat. 3 rd	10:00 a.m.	1-2	12:30 p.m.	4-3	5-Bye
Sun. 4 th	10:00 a.m.	3-1	12:30 p.m.	2-5	4-Bye
Sat. 10 th	10:00 a.m.	5-1	12:30 p.m.	4-2	3-Bye
Sun. 11 th	10:00 a.m.	1-4	12:30 p.m.	3-5	2-Bye
Sat. 17 th	10:00 a.m.	2-3	12:30 p.m.	5-4	1-Bye
Sun. 18 th	10:00 a.m.	2-1	12:30 p.m.	3-4	5-Bye
Sat. 24 th	10:00 a.m.	1-3	12:30 p.m.	5-2	4-Bye
Sun. 25 th	10:00 a.m.	1-5	12:30 p.m.	2-4	3-Bye

October

Sat. 1 st	10:00 a.m.	4-1 (North Field)	12:30 p.m.	5-3 (North Field)	2-Bye
Sun. 2 nd	10:00 a.m.	3-2 (North Field)	12:30 p.m.	4-5 (North Field)	1-Bye
Sat. 8 th	10:00 a.m.	1-2	12:30 p.m.	3-4	5-Bye
Sun. 9 th	10:00 a.m.	3-1	12:30 p.m.	2-5	4-Bye

League Single Elimination Tournament Sat. Oct. 15th and Sun. Oct. 16th. (Rain date Oct. 22, 23)
Tournament schedule will be passed out and posted on the web site Sat. Oct. 1st.

League Rules

1. All games will be 7 innings or 2 hours in length. No 10 run rule.
2. There will be a continuing batting order for each team. The inning ends if a team bats around.
3. There is free substitution in the field and all players should play at least 4 innings in the field.
4. Pitchers may pitch no more than 4 innings per game.
5. Games tied after 7 innings or the 2 hour time limit will remain a tie.
6. There is a must slide rule at all bases and home plate.
7. Players will be provided with a league cap and game T-shirt.
8. Players must provide their own game pants (any color is fine, no shorts) and their own wood bat.

Important Player Information

- Players must arrive at least 1 hour before the start of their first weekend game and least 30-40 minutes before the start of all other games. Do not be late! All games will start on time.
- Players must inform coaches if they are not going to be at their next scheduled game at least 2 days ahead of time. Call 9219) 852-9461 to notify coaches.
- Rain-outs will not be re-scheduled. Players should go to the web site (hammondchiefs.com) or call (219) 852-9461 to see if a game has been rained out. Information on rain-outs will be on the web site and information line at least 90 minutes prior to the start of a game. Players will not be called.

Hammond Chiefs 2011 Wooden Bat Fall League Welcome Letter

Dear Players & Parents,

Welcome to the Hammond Chiefs 2011 Wooden Bat Fall League. We look forward to you being a part of our program during the fall season. Here is information about the league. Please take time to read the information so that you are aware of how things work.

The schedule is included on the web site (hammondchiefs.com) and is also enclosed in the mailing that everyone is receiving. The color of the team that you are on is highlighted in the mailing at the top of the schedule. Please make sure that you know what color team you are on and also the times of your games for opening weekend beginning September 3-4. Also take time to read the rules and important player information that is listed on the schedule.

Players need to arrive 1 hour before the start time of their first game opening weekend. Players will receive their cap and game shirt at that time. Players need to provide their own baseball pants (any color is fine) and their own wood bat. Extra team bats will be available to use if a player breaks a bat, but each player should have their own wood bat. After your first game, players should arrive at least 30 minutes before the start time of a game. All games will start on time and be 7 innings or 2 hours.

If games are cancelled due to rain during the regular schedule they will not be made up. Rain-outs during the end of the season tournament will be made up. Players are responsible to check the web site (hammondchiefs.com) or can call (219- 852-9461) to find out if a game is cancelled due to rain. This information will be available on both the web site and message line at least 90 minutes prior to the start time of your scheduled game. Players will not be called on an individual basis to let you know if a game is cancelled due to rain. It is your responsibility to check the web site or call the message line. Also understand that if it rains heavy the day before a game, it is possible that the game might not be played the next day, due to the field not being playable. If in doubt, always check the web site or call the message line before you come out to the park.

If a player cannot make a game, they must let the coach know at the end of their last game or they must call the message line (219-852-9461) at least 2 days ahead of the game day that they are not going to be able to attend. If you call the message line leave your name, color of team you are on, and the day and starting time of the game that you will not be at. It is a very important player's responsibility, to let us know if you are not going to be at a game. Please don't leave your team short of players by not letting us know that you are not going to be at a game.

This year's schedule consists of teams having byes on 1 day of a few weekends. This is due to the fact that we have an odd number of teams. Anytime that your team has a bye, we may ask you if you would like to come out and play for another team, on that day. This will give us an opportunity to use you as a fill-in player for someone who is not able to attend a game with their regular team on that day. It will also give you an opportunity to play on the day that your team has a bye. Again, it is very important this year to let us know if you are unable to attend a game in advance. As long as we know, they we can arrange for a fill-in player from a bye team to take your place that day.

Finally, please understand that this is an instructional league. Yes, we keep score of games as they are played. We do not keep standings and are not concerned with wins or losses. The league is set up for you to play in a game with no pressure on winning. It is also set up so that we can coach and teach the game to you. Our goal in the fall league is to help make you a better baseball player. Thanks for being player in our league and we hope you will enjoy the fall baseball season.

Coach Dave Sutkowski, Hammond Chiefs Baseball