

**COACHES
TOURNAMENT
PACKET**

Thank you for attending a Tournament at EKRC

EKRC is located on approximately 38 acres and features a playground for players, attendees and families.

Our facility features the following venues and services:

- **2 lighted baseball/softball diamonds. 4 YOUTH sized 10 & under. 2 FULL sized 11U & Over**
- **Full-service concessions**
- **Full-service restroom facilities**

House Rules

No weapons of any kind permitted on the premises.

Players may bring drinks for the game or small personnel.

Water cooler.

No drugs or alcohol permitted on the premises.

Pets NOT permitted on the Diamonds.

Please utilize paved parking lots if spots are available. Utilize over-flow parking only if paved parking is unavailable.

(The Overflow Parking Is Behind Diamond 1 Outfield in the Grass)

Trash cans will be provided so please use them. Please respect our facility as you would in yours.

Please be alert when walking and moving about to the public areas for foul balls and maintenance equipment

EKRC is not responsible for lost or stolen items or damage to personal property. Damage due to foul balls or other activities associated with the events taking place at the facility are not the responsibility of EKRC.

We Hope You Have a Great Time!

Directions and Contact Information

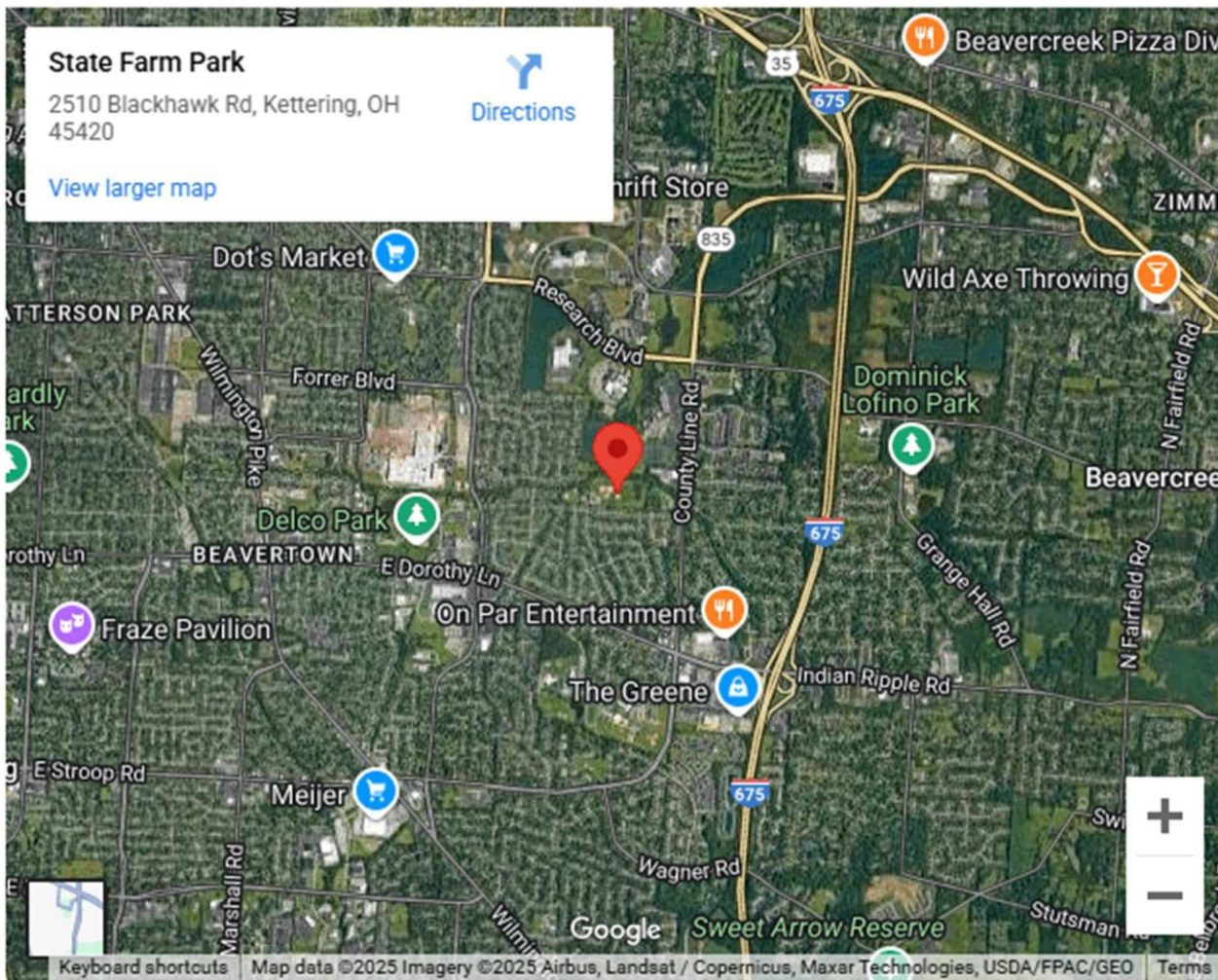
Field Directions

State Farm Park

2510 Blackhawk Drive, Kettering, OH 45420

FIELD NOTES:

From US Hwy 35 exit on Woodman Dr and go south. Turn left on Vale Drive. Park entrance is on left. From I-675 exit at Indian Ripple Road and go east. This becomes Dorothy Lane. Turn right on Woodman Drive. At first road turn right on Vale Dive.



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Dayton, OH 45420
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Fax: 937-200-0062
Website: www.ekrcbaseball.com

Local Events/Attractions

**Kings Island Amusement
Park 6300 Kings Island
Drive Kings Island, OH
45034
800-288-0808**

**Cincinnati Reds
Great American Ball
Park 100 Joe Nuxhall
Way Cincinnati, OH
45202
513-765-7000**

**Dayton Dragons
Fifth Third Field
220 North Patterson Blvd.
Dayton, OH 45402
937-228-2287**

**Boonshoft Museum
2600 DeWeese Parkway
Dayton, OH 45414
937-275-7431**

**National Museum of the US Air Force
Wright Patterson Air Force
Base 1100 Spaatz Street
Wright Patterson AFB, OH
45433 937-255-3286**

**Scene 75 Entertainment
6196 Poe Ave
Dayton, OH 45414
937-619-3200
www.scene75.com**

Local Shopping

**The Greene Shopping/Dining Center
51 Plum Street
Dayton, OH 45440
937-490-4920**

**The Mall at Fairfield
Commons 2727
Fairfield Commons
Blvd Dayton, OH 45431
937-427-4300**

**Dayton Mall
2700 Miamisburg
Centerville Road
Dayton, OH 45459
937-433-9833**

Emergency Numbers

Kettering Police Department 937-296-2555

Kettering Fire Department 937-293-2151

Dayton Children's Medical Center 937-641-3000

Miami Valley Hospital 937-208-8000

Kettering Hospital 937-298-4331

Poison Control Center 800-222-1222

Select Tournament Rules

All tournament play shall be governed by Ohio High School Baseball Rules. ONLY those exceptions specifically listed herein shall be applicable.

- Rosters will be turned in at the time of check-in and before your 1st game starts. • Each team is limited to a maximum of 13 players.
- Refunds due to weather: 0 games played full amount refund, one game played - half refund, and 2 games played no refund. We will do what it takes to ensure the full tournament is played and that Everyone gets their 3-game guarantee.
- Absolutely no chanting will be tolerated!
 - No metal cleats
- All teams are scheduled for (2) games in a pool play format to be seeded for the single elimination round to follow. We reserve the right to change this format if need be. All teams will be guaranteed at least three games regardless of the format.
- Time Limits: 9U through 13U games will be six (6) innings with a 1:30 time limit. No new inning will start after the time limit is up. There is No time limit in the championship games.
- Mercy rules: 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings
 - Must bat entire roster
 - Courtesy runners allowed pitchers and catchers. The courtesy runner is the last recorded out.
- Base runners must avoid violent or malicious contact during tournament play! (This means no high spiking, using body parts to try to dislodge the ball, or purposely trying to run over a player)
Umpires will have the final word as to what constitutes an infraction of the above Language.
- There are no protests.
- Flip for home team. Home team MUST keep the “official book” The results will be posted by the tournament director after each game. Once posted, it is final.
 - Once pool play ends and elimination play starts the higher seeded team is the home team.
 - The head coach is responsible for the behavior of his team, coaches, parents, and fans.
 - The umpires are in charge of the game. Excessive arguing or abuse will not be tolerated. The umpire’s decision on any judgment call is final.

Please trade lineups fifteen (15) minutes before game time.

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- Ejection of a player or coach will result in suspension for the remainder of that game and the next scheduled game. This will be removal from the game site. Any second offense will result in being banned from the complex for the remainder of the tournament.
 - Ties for seeding purposes will be broken in the following order. Record, head-to-head play, runs allowed, runs scored, and flip of the coin.
 - Pool games can end in a tie and if this does occur will be recorded as such. Each team will be credited with V2 points for a tie during pool play. Games in the single elimination round cannot end in a tie and once the time limit has been reached or extra innings start, the game will be played using the international tiebreaker format. (The last recorded out from the previous inning will be placed on 2nd base with no outs.)
- Provide a “Certificate of Liability Insurance” for your team. Please have player birth certificates on hand. If a player’s birth certificate is requested and not provided, the player will not be able to play until the birth certificate is provided. If it is never provided, then the game/games that he/she participated in will be forfeited.
- Pre-game warm-ups: All team warm-ups will only be allowed in foul territory of the infield and the entire outfield grass. No pre-game practice on any mound or plates. No pre-game in-field practice in fair territory.
- We are using Ohio high school rules at the 9U through 13U levels, with roster batting for all ages. For example, if you have 13 players present you cannot decide to just bat 12 of them and sit one.

•Free substitution for defense

- One balk warning per pitcher for ages 9u through 12u. There are no balk warnings for 13u.
- Awards will be given to 1 st and 2nd place winners. ****IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFORMAT THE TOURNAMENT

INDIVIDUAL PLAYER & TEAM ELIGIBILITY

Age Based with Grade Exceptions Divisions:

- 8U Division Players who turn 9 prior to May 1 of the current season are not eligible unless they are in the 2nd grade. Also, any player turning 10 prior to August 1 will not be eligible. Players who are 8u are eligible for this division regardless of their grade.
- 9U Division Players who turn 10 prior to May 1 of the current season are not eligible unless they are in the 3rd grade. Also, any player turning 11 prior to August 1 will not be eligible. Players who are 9u are eligible for this division regardless of their grade.

- 10U Division Players who turn 11 prior to May 1 of the current season are not eligible unless they are in the 4th grade. Also, any player turning 12 prior to August 1 will not be eligible. Players who are 10u are eligible for this division regardless of their grade.

- 11U Division Players who turn 12 prior to May 1 of the current season are not eligible unless they are in the 5th grade. Also, any player turning 13 prior to August 1 will not be eligible. Players who are 11U are eligible for this division regardless of their grade.

- 7.14U Division Players who turn 15 prior to May 1 of the current season are not eligible unless they are in the 8th grade. Also, any player turning 16 prior to August 1 will not be eligible. Players who are 14u eligible are eligible for this division regardless of grade.

	Pitching Rubber	Base path
8U	40'	60'
9U	44'	60'
10U	46'	65'
11U	50'	70'
12U	50'	70'
13U	54'	80'

8U Rules Coach Pitch Rules

- Ten fielders will be used. Normal positions with four outfielders. Outfielders must be approximately an equal distance from home plate; this means no “short fielders”.
- Outfielders must have both feet in the grass.
- One coach is allowed in the outfield when his/her team is on defense. The defensive coach should be positioned behind the outfielders.
The fielding pitchers must be within 5” of the pitching rubber until the ball is pitched.
- The fielding pitcher may stand to the right, left, or behind the mound, but not in front of the designated pitcher.
- The designated pitcher will pitch overhand from the pitching rubber. The designated pitcher **MUST** make every effort to leave the playing field immediately after the ball is hit. The designated pitcher will use caution **NOT TO INTERFERE** with the ball, fielders, and runner, and will remain off the field until play is stopped. If the designated pitcher interferes with the play, all runners will return to the last base they were at. The designated pitcher shall refrain from coaching the runners; this is the responsibility of the base coaches.
- There will be no more than seven pitches to a batter. If the ball is not put into play on one of those pitches, the batter will be called out, with the following **EXCEPTIONS**:

A foul ball (unless caught) on the third strike, if it is also the 7 pitches, will not be counted as part of the seven pitches.

« If a batted ball hits the designated pitcher, it shall be ruled a **DEAD BALL**, no pitch, no strike.

- No walks
- ® No infield fly rule is in effect
- Batter cannot run on dropped third strike
 - No bunting. If the umpire judges that the batter bunted or attempted to bunt, the pitch is counted as a strike.
 - A base runner will be called out if they leave the base before the ball crosses the plate. This will not affect any other play that is being made on the batted ball.
 - No stealing.
 - **Play is stopped when the ball is in control of an infielder and the lead runner has been stopped.**
 - A half inning shall consist of three (3) outs or eight (6) runs, whichever comes first. Except, in the final inning (6th) when it shall be 3 outs only.

Bat Certifications

What does BPF mean? Bat Performance Factor (BPF) is simply the increase in the liveliness of a ball hitting a bat compared to throwing a ball against a solid wall. For example, a 20% faster rebound = a

BPF of 1.20. The major baseball and softball organizations have adopted the BPF standard to determine whether a bat is legal for play. BBCOR (0.50 BPF): Bat-Ball Coefficient of Restitution. This certification is the standard that regulates the overall performance of adults.

bats used by high school and collegiate players. BBCOR measures the trampoline effect of the bat.

BBCOR bats are only made in a drop 3 (-3) or minus 3 and have a 2 5/8" Barrel. Search available

[BBCOR Certified Baseball Bats.](#)

USSSA (1.15 BPF):

Bat Performance Factor measures how fast the ball comes off of the

bat. 1.15 is the standard for baseball bats. Includes 2 1/4" Barrel, 2 5/8" Barrel, & 2 3/4" Barrel bats.

Search available [USSSA 1.15 Certified Baseball Bats](#). USA Baseball (Little League): Effective on

January 1, 2018, Little League Baseball will adhere to the new USA Bat standard.

NO bats previously approved for use in Little League Play (Junior League Baseball and below) will be permitted to be used in any Little League game or practice, or other Little League function, event, or activity. USA Baseball believes that a wood-like performance standard will best provide for the long-term integrity of the game. The new bats will be designed to perform much like wood and BBCOR bats.

USA Baseball bats can be 2 5/8" Barrel or smaller. For more information read our [New USA Baseball Standard](#) post. Search available [USA Baseball Certified Bats](#).

New 13U/14U Rule for USSSA

There is a new 2020 rule in connection with the use of

bats at the 13U and 14U USSSA Division: Effective January 1, 2020, all 13U events and all Teams in 13U

events must use a maximum of drop 8 (-8) bats with the official USSSA 1.15 BPF mark permanently

stamped. All 14u events and all Teams in 14u events must use a maximum of drop 5 (-5) bats with the

official USSSA 1.15 BPF mark permanently stamped. A. Bat Rules: AU USSSA and USA 1.15 BPF

marked bats, which have not been decertified by manufacturers or national

affiliations will be accepted for MWOB play. Here are the acceptable drops by age group: 15U

Rules of Conduct

We here at EKRC strive to provide quality and positive playing experience for teams and fans alike. We kindly request that:

- Coaches, please exhibit professionalism and sportsmanship and please communicate with your players and spectators that we request the same of them as well.
 - This is youth baseball; players make errors so please use the opportunity to coach your players positively.
 - The health and well-being of your players is of first concern. Always make your decisions on the side of caution
 - Umpires are the final say. Excessive arguing of calls may result in ejection from the park. This is the umpires call.
 - Umpires may eject a fan from the park if the fan becomes unruly or abusive to the umpire, another team, or another player.

- Team managers must always have full control of their players. This means “on” and “off” the field, in a timely fashion
- Team managers that ejected from a game are no longer eligible to return for any remaining games of the tournament.
- Players ejected from a game must sit out for one complete game following the ejection.
- In case of disputed play or decision, coaches may consult the umpire. The other players and coaches or sponsors are to keep out of the discussion.
- Managers are to report any unsportsmanlike or derogatory acts by players or spectators to the tournament director. The purpose here is to prevent any serious situation developing that would be harmful to the tournament.
- Managers, coaches, players, sponsors, and teams are liable for suspension by not adhering to the tournament rules in effect. This could mean suspension for a game, games, tournament, or a longer duration depending on the act of violation.
- A player, coach, manager, or sponsor may be suspended for fighting, abusive tactics or unbecoming acts that are detrimental and not in the best interest of tournament play.
- Be careful of your conduct. Be sure that no action occurs that could reflect adversely on your sponsor, team, or individuals. Remember that the wrong actions of even one player can reflect upon your entire team and the various sporting programs.