Majors Tournament Rules

Seeding for the tournament will based on the regular season record. It is understood that some teams played more than others, which skews the records and winning percentage but all teams were scheduled the same amount of games in the same timeframe. This is the first year this has been such a broad discrepancy. The league will put in rules for next Spring to avoid this. For now, we cant penalize teams who had less opportunity (or more). If there is a tie on the records, RUNS SCORED FOR will be the tie breaker. If RF is tied, RUNS AGAINST will be the tie breaker.

1. All games will be restricted to 6 innings
2. Bases and mound will be set at 50/70 for all Major level games
3. If after 1:40 the game is tied, both teams will have 1 more at bat (1 extra inning) by rule. The home team will have last at bat if losing by 7 runs or less at the 1:40 mark. If daylight, field availability and coaches allow, the game can continue until the tie is broken with the home team having the last at bat and not exceeding 9 innings
4. 6 run per inning limit
5. 13 after 4 innings, 7 after 5 innings the game can be called
6. Entire roster will bat during a game (3 outs per inning still enforced)
7. 9 players on defense with 3 outfielders in an arch, 15’ behind the infield line
8. All players MUST play at minimum 2 innings per game unless disciplinary action has been taken by a parent or coach. If this situation occurs, the parent and coach must discuss before the game starts. The coach must also let the opposing coach know why the child is out and if he will re-enter the game.
9. Fake bunts (slug bunting) is prohibited. 1st offense is an automatic out
10. Players are permitted to lead off and steal
11. If a player bats out of order, that player is out (can return for next bat in correct order)
12. Play will STOP once the lead runner is stopped and the pitcher is on the mound. If the pitcher makes a “baseball move” on a runner, play will continue until the umpire calls time.
13. 2 warning balks per pitcher per inning. 3rd balk will be enforced
14. **Pitching- 2 innings per pitcher per game. No max for the tournament**.

* **1 PITCH IS AN INNING**
* **MUST BE CONSECUTIVE INNINGS. CANNOT RENTER LATER**

1. If the pitcher hits 3 batters in the same inning, he must be removed from the game and cannot return as a pitcher, 4 hit batters per game and they must be removed
2. 4 innings are a complete game
3. If game is called before 4 innings are complete, the game can be restarted where the game stopped
4. A coach is allowed 1 visit to the mound per inning without making a change. On the 2nd visit, a pitching change must be made. Visits to the mound during warm up for a new pitcher are NOT considered a visit.
5. Dropped 3rd strike and in-field fly rules are in affect
6. Throwing the bat (within reason and up to the discretion of the umpire) will be a warning on the 1st offense and an out on the 2nd
7. There is NO unlimited 6th inning. Championship games will have no time limit but run rule in affect.