

# Will Dicus Memorial Baseball/Softball Tournament

## June 17-18, 2017

### Fastpitch Softball

- One Day Tournament – Saturday, June 17
- All games to be played at Watauga High School, 300 Pioneer Drive, Boone, NC
- Unless specified, all games to be played under auspices of Tar Heel League Rules
- Site Director: April Yandle, WHS Assistant Softball Coach
  
- **Game Lengths/Game Times**
  - 8u – 6 innings or 1:15, finish the inning
  - 10u – 6 innings or 1:30, finish the inning
  - Next inning begins immediately upon the 3<sup>rd</sup> out of the previous inning
  - *Games can finish in a tie*
- **Championship medals will be given based upon:**
  - Winning record in the division
  - In the case of a tie, medals will be awarded as a result of the following criteria:
    - Least number of runs allowed (defense)
    - Most number of runs scored (offense)
- **Pitching Distances**
  - **8u**
    - Machine to be placed at 40', Coach pitches from 40'
  - **10u**
    - Pitching rubber set at 35'
- **Pitching Regulations**
  - *In that the 8u division is a hybrid division, both the Coach Pitch team and Machine Pitch team will be allowed 5 pitches or 3 swings per bat. No limit of number of foul balls on 5<sup>th</sup> pitch or 3<sup>rd</sup> swing. The umpire will inform the coaches and batter when there are 2 strikes and/or the “last pitch.”*
- **Umpires**
  - The umpires will call, with a delayed dead ball signal, runners out for missing a base, leaving a base early, along with obstruction and interference calls. These are not appeal plays. Coaches may appeal a runner leaving early on fly balls.
  - The umpires are to warn batters for throwing/slinging the bat. If this is habitual, *the umpire has the discretion to restrict the batter to the dugout.*
- **Pitching Machine/Coach Pitcher**
  - If the ball strikes the pitching machine or the coach-pitcher before the defensive player touches the ball, the ball is immediately declared “dead” and a single awarded to the batter. All runners advance 1 base, if forced.

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- **Run Rule (Mercy Rule)**
  - **Both divisions** - 12 runs after 3, 10 after 4
  - **8u** – A maximum of five runs, or three outs constitutes an inning.
    - *If the game reaches the 6<sup>th</sup> inning, each team is allowed a maximum of ten (10) runs, unless the difference between the two results in a mathematical impossibility for the trailing team to overtake the leading team*
- **Tar Heel League Rules**
  - are found on pages 65-69 of the 2017 Tar Heel League Rule book. An online version may be found, online, at [www.tarheelleague.com](http://www.tarheelleague.com). Where applicable, all other fastpitch rules determined and prescribed by the National Federation of State High Schools Association (NFHS)

## Schedule

### 8u – Machine/Coach Pitch Hybrid

<u>Time</u>	<u>Home Team</u>	<u>Visiting Team</u>
8:30 am	Caldwell Co. All-Stars (CP)	Watauga Co. All-Stars (MP)
10:00 am	Ashe Co. All-Stars (MP)	Caldwell All-Stars (CP)
11:30 am	Watauga Co. All-Stars (MP)	Ashe Co. All-Stars (MP)

Break

### 10u Fastpitch

1:30 pm	Ashe Co. All-Stars	Watauga Co. All-Stars
2:20 pm	Watauga Co. All-Stars	Ashe Co. All-Stars