

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**Rules and Regulations 2025-2026**

- I. Game Days and Times**
  - a. Games are scheduled for Wednesdays.
  - b. Game times will be 5:30pm immediately followed by next game during the week.
  - c. Tournament will be on Saturday, start time 8am.
- II. Time Schedule**
  - a. Each team will be allowed ample time to warm-up on the playing field prior to the start of the game. Teams may take warm-up in a designated area provided by the home team.
- III. The home team will designate the site of the game.**
- IV. Postponed Games**
  - a. Games that are postponed due to the weather will be rescheduled for the same week up to Saturday.
- V. Officials**
  - a. Must be members of the association.
  - b. Officials will be paid in accordance with UIL rules.
- VI. Assignment**
  - a. Two officials assigned by the assigning secretary will be paid by the home team.
- VII. Lack of Officials**
  - a. The game will be played if one official is on site. If no officials are on site, the game will be officiated by coach or other school personnel.
  - b. Only school personnel will be allowed to officiate games.
- VIII. Rules -**
  - a. The UIL rules shall govern games.
  - b. Softball bats must have the USA-ASA stamp.
  - c. 90 minute time limit. If an inning starts before the end of regulation time, the inning must be completed. No inning shall start after 75 minutes. (no run rule)
  - d. Tournament 75 drop dead time limit, score will revert to the last completed full inning to determine winner unless the home team is ahead. (no run rule)
  - e. 4 runs in a single or 3 outs shall constitute a complete half inning.
  - f. Extra innings will not be permitted.
  - g. District games that end in tie will remain a tie.
  - h. Tournament ties will be broken by the number of runners that reached 3<sup>rd</sup> base.  
If the game is still a tie, the winner will be determined by a flip of a coin.
  - i. Metal cleats are not allowed.
  - j. Home team must provide an adult to keep the book during district games. A student or adult can keep the book in tournament play.
  - k. A team must have 9 players to start the game. If an injury occurs (verified by trainer or coach) the game can continue with 8 players.
  - l. The home team must provide 2 new game softballs for the game.