**LCYO Fastpitch Softball 12U Division Facts Sheet**

WELCOME to the 2018 Spring Softball Season!! The LCYO Girls 12U Division has enjoyed tremendous successes the past few seasons, and we look forward to further successes this season. This division is oriented to eleven and twelve old girls (age as of January 1 of the current year) who are interested in recreational softball, team participation, spirit, and having lots of fun!!!

Players will be evaluated on fielding, hitting, throwing, and pitching. Attendance is mandatory. As with every level in LCYO, team parody is our goal and can only be achieved if we have 100% attendance on evaluation day.

Pitching evaluations will be held at the conclusion of position evaluations for **ALL** possible pitchers. Any player who plans to pitch more than 5 innings during the season **MUST** be evaluated on evaluation day so that teams can be created with an equal amount of pitching on each.

After evaluations are completed a draft will be held & players will be placed on team rosters. Parents will be contacted by their respective coach.

**Fields and Game Days**

Practice and games will be held at Stagecoach Park. Each team may play two or three games or practices per week, normally one weekday game (possibly a practice) and one Saturday game. Games are played from early March through late May 1, with playoff games occurring for each team at the end of the season. The 12U Division II will also have interleague games with three to five other local recreational leagues.

The regular season will be immediately followed by an All Star Season from early May, through late June. All Stars are selected by coaches through season long performance, and an All Star evaluation that takes place on or around May 1. The high level of commitment required for All Stars is optional for players and families and additional costs are incurred for those families that are nominated, and agree to participate in the competitive post season.

**Rules**

In the spirit of improved competition and skill development, the 12U Division II girls has adopted ASA (USA Softball). Girls will receive instruction on pitching, base stealing, bunting, and other finesse aspects of softball. Adoption of these rules not only places our girls in parity with other softball programs, it makes for more interesting (and competitive) softball!

Please contact your Division Director if you have any questions regarding your daughter’s participation and the 2018 Spring Season.