

Tournament Rules

1. The Pee wee division will consist of 3rd & 4th grade players, JV division will consist of 5th & 6th grade players:

- A. No A and B teams. (No stacked teams)
- B. If a town has multiple teams at one level they should be split evenly.
- C. Players can be moved up a level/grade based on ability but not be moved down a level/grade.
- D. A player may only be rostered and play on one (1) I-94 team.
- E. Players must be from towns' high school attendance area.

2. Field dimensions:

- **Pee wee Division**
 - Pitching rubber to home plate is 45 feet.
 - Base paths are 60 feet.
- **JV Division**
 - Pitching rubber to home plate is 52 feet.
 - Base paths are 75 feet.

3. Equipment:

- Shoes: 1. Molded plastic or rubber spikes 2. Tennis shoes
- Bat size must not be more than 2 3/4" barrel size.
- Protective Cups - highly recommended for all players. 1. All Pitchers & Catchers must have one.
- Uniforms should be of the same color and style. 1. No shorts or sandals.

4. General Rules:

- **6 run limit per inning** for every inning including the bottom half of the 6th.
- Play at the plate 1. Runner must slide feet first or will be called out. 2. No head first slide into home plate.
- **JV** – Batter may advance to first on a dropped third strike.
- **PEEWEE**-Batter may **NOT** advance to first on a dropped third strike.
- No infield fly rule.
- Extra Inning Rules - Start with runner on 2nd base. Runner is the last out of the previous inning. Rule applies for regular season and **tournament play**.
- No Bunting. Swinging the bat is the focus of this league and tournament.
- Any defensive play made on a baserunner, the runner is allowed to advance on an overthrow. Overthrows to the pitcher are not considered defensive plays.

5. Pitching Restrictions:

- 9 consecutive outs maximum per game.
- 2 games max in tournament play.
- Outs must be consecutive, no reentry at pitcher.
- No curve balls allowed.

6. Continuous batting and free substitution except pitchers:

- Must bat the entire roster. Injured players can be skipped without it being an out.
- Entire roster must play a minimum of two (2) innings in the field.

- Minimum number of players to start a game is eight (8). 1. **No non roster** players allowed. If you can't field eight (8), reschedule.
- Maximum of ten (10) players in the field. Four (4) outfielders, four (4) infielders, one (1) catcher, and one (1) pitcher.

7. Base running:

- **JV ONLY** - Player may steal after the pitch leaves the pitchers hand.
- **Peewee** – No stealing.
- **JV & Peewee**- May lead off base after pitch has left the pitcher's hand. Two warnings per team for leaving early, next time it is an out.
- Coaches need to police their own players, if only one (1) umpire is present.
- No stealing home. Runner can advance to home from 3rd if a defensive player puts ball into play.
- An overthrow from catcher to pitchers is not putting the ball in play.

8. Umpires:

- Coaches must review rules with Umpires before the game.
- Umpire can be behind the mound or plate. Umpire will be behind the plate for tournament play. Many games will have 2 umpires.

9. Playoff Tournament:

- Top 8 teams will make the tournament. Overall record, point differential, and head-to-head will be used to determine tournament bracket seeding.

10. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and includes but not limited to:

- A. Verbal abuse
- B. Physical aggression
- C. Tantrum-like acts
- D. Arguing umpire judgement calls
- E. Profanity

TOURNAMENT RULES & CLARIFICATIONS

1. Format - Top 8 teams will make it to playoffs. Overall record, point differential, and head-to-head will be used to determine tournament bracket seeding.

2. Rosters - Rosters must be identical to the rosters submitted at the beginning of the season. No exceptions.

3. Pitching - A pitcher may pitch a maximum of nine (9) consecutive outs per game. A pitcher cannot re-enter the game as a pitcher at any time, regardless of the number of outs pitched. A pitcher may pitch in only two (2) tournament games.

4. Game Length - All games will be limited to ninety (90) minutes per game. If an inning is started before the 90 minute rule, the inning will be completed and the bottom of the inning will also be completed (if necessary), extending the game beyond 90 minutes.

5. Game Balls - Each team must bring one (1) game ball for each game played.

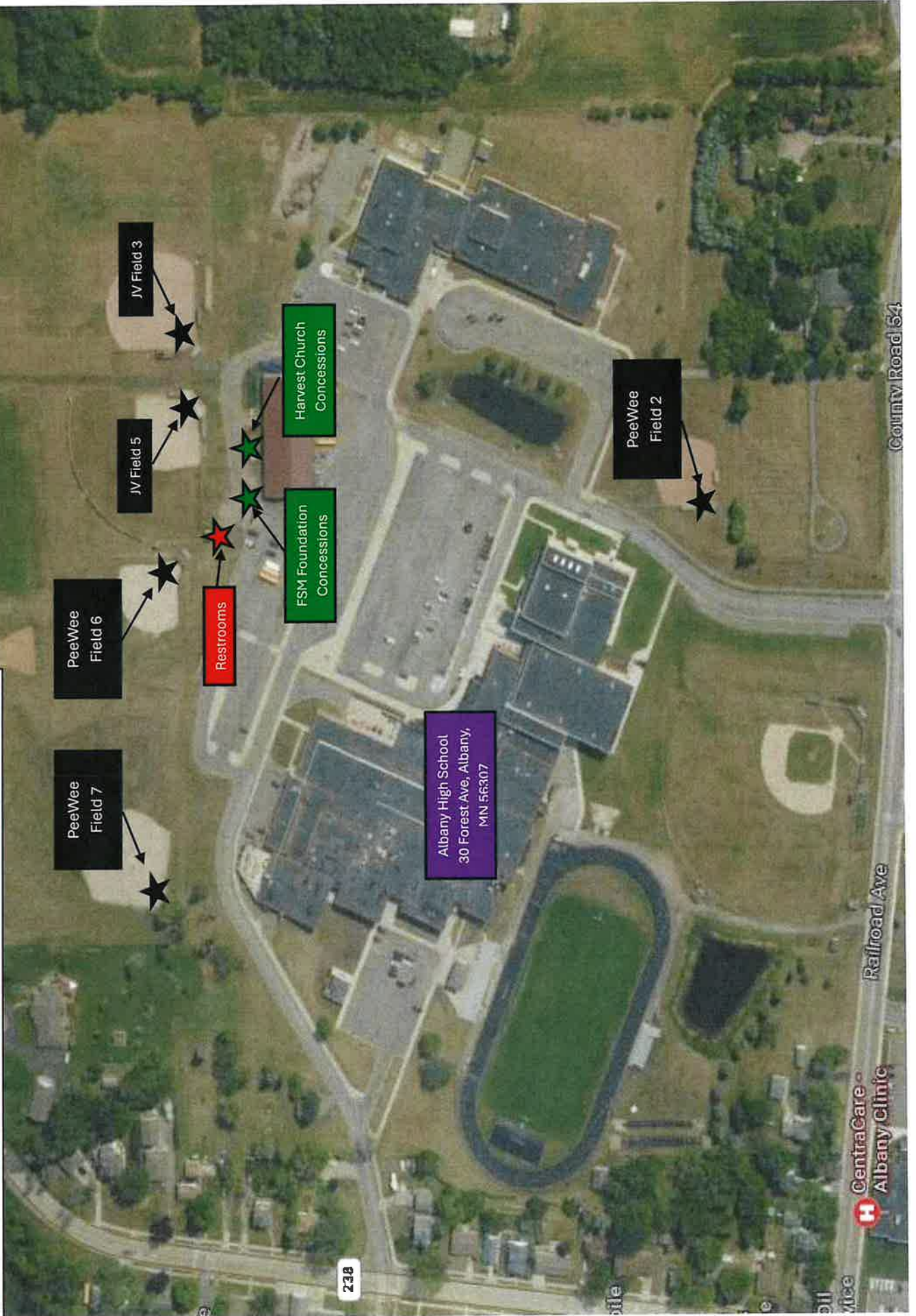
6. Curveballs - Curveballs are not allowed.

7. Bats - Bat size must not be more than 2 3/4" barrel size.

8. Other Rules - if not noted above, all Regular Season Rules will be followed.

PLAY BALL!

TOURNAMENT MAPS



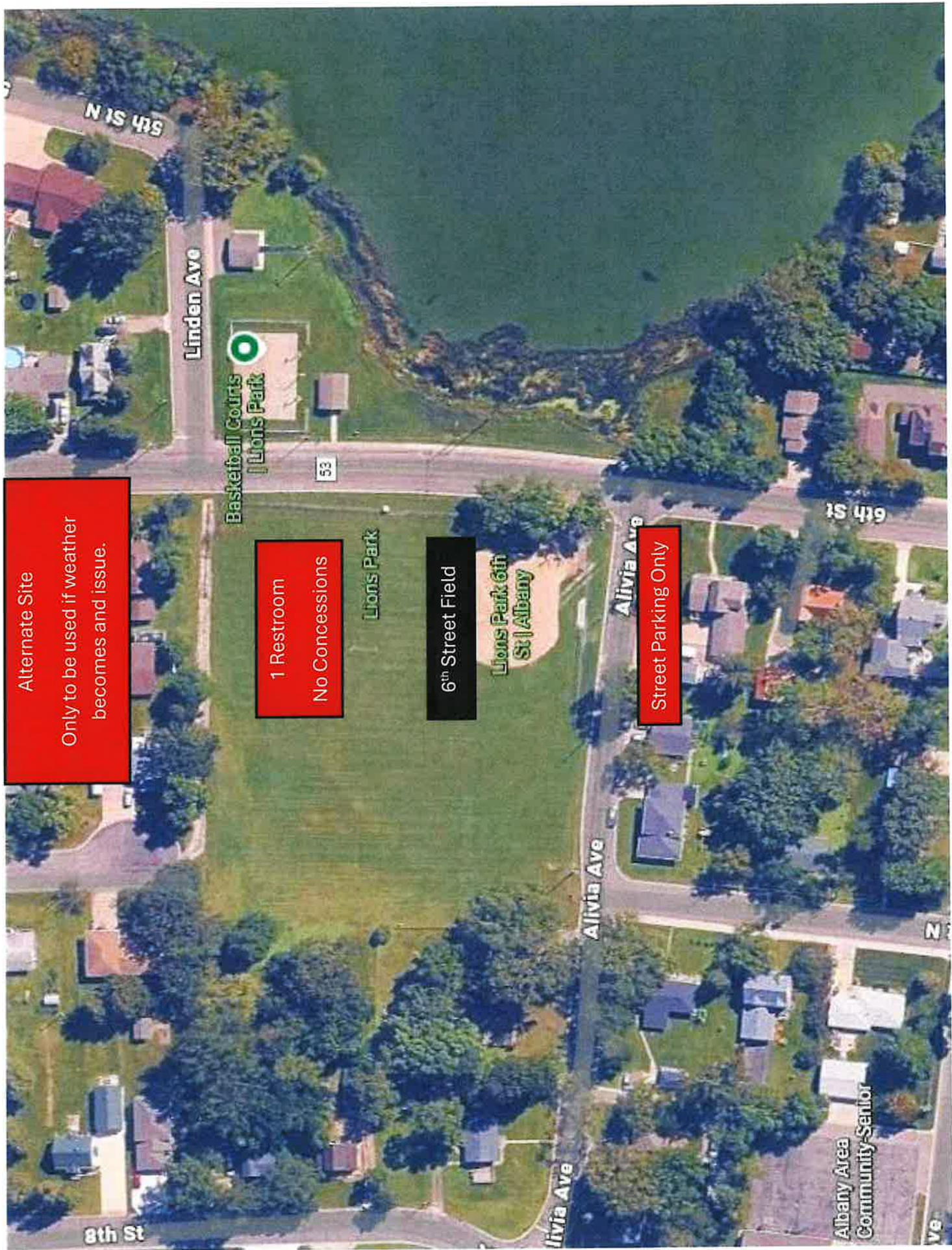


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to gain entrance to field.

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Softball Park

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Restroom Available



Alternate Site

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