2012 SHOPRITE® NUTMEG STATE GAMES
BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
13’S, 15 & UNDER, AND 18 & UNDER

Dates:
July 23rd-July 28th (July 29th will be the “rain date”)
Please see schedule that will be posted on www.nutmegstategames.org under the schedule link!

PROPOSED GAME TIMES:
- Subject to change based on participation and weather!
  - July 23rd - 27th (Weekdays) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM
  - July 28th & 29th (Weekends) 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Locations:
- Beehive Stadium, New Britain
- Sage Park, Berlin
- Plainville High School, Plainville
- Middletown High School, Middletown
- Stanley Quarter Park, New Britain
- Walnut Hill Park, New Britain

Format:
Round Robin / Pool Play format with a minimum 3 Game Guarantee.

Age Groups:

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Deadlines:
ROSTER (Freeze) Deadline - Monday, July 16th

Forfeiture Policy:
Due to the fact that all competition brackets are round robin formats, a team may not intentionally forfeit a contest; even though the game may have no consequence on the seeding of the tournament at the conclusion of round robin play. Any team intentionally forfeiting a contest will be disqualified from further competition and the remaining teams will be re-seeded.

Rules:
2012 National Federation of State High School Associations Rules (NO MODIFICATIONS)
- Game length will be seven innings.
- All Preliminary Round Games will have a two hour time limit starting at the time of ground rules. Play-In and Medal Round Games will NOT have a time limit.
- If a game is called, the game must complete 5 innings or 4.5 innings if the home team is winning to be official.
- Mercy rule will be set at 10 runs after 5 innings or 10 runs after 4.5 innings if the home team is winning.
- The Extra Hitter (EH) will not be utilized during the course of the tournament regardless of age division. Only the Designated Hitter (DH) can be used.
- BATS – all non-wood bats must meet the Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) standard. Bats meeting that standard must be clearly marked on the bat. Bats marked with
the Ball Exit Speed Ration (BESR) certification are **NOT** legal. A bat can be marked with both 
BBCOR and BESR certification and will be compliant.

- **13’s, 15 & Under and 18 & Under** - The pitcher may not pitch more than (10) innings in any 
(3) consecutive calendar days. To determine the eligible number of outs that a pitcher may 
pitch on game day; total the number of outs pitched during the two previous calendar days 
and subtract from (30).

- Ten innings is equal to 30 outs.

- **Coaches are required to list on the back of their line-up card the names of anyone** 
who has pitched on the previous two calendar days followed by the number of outs 
that each player listed may pitch that day.

- The umpire is to make sure before every game that the coaches are aware of the rules under 
which the games will be played.

- **Coaches are responsible to know and verify that each team member is properly attired and has equipment that meets the standards set by the NFHS rules.**

- **Coaches** are responsible for keeping track of the number of innings pitched in the game and 
removing the pitcher when ten full innings (30 outs) have been reached.

- A pitcher violating this rule will be ejected for the remainder of the game in which the 
violation occurs, as well as the next entire game. The pitcher ejected as a result of violating 
this rule is ejected as a player and may not participate in another position until the penalty is 
fully observed.

- All coaches are responsible for assuring that all players are properly equipped.

- Teams will be allowed a maximum of 16 players and two coaches for credentials and awards, 
plus a score keeper.

- Any player or coach ejected from a game may not participate in the team’s next game.

- Teams are to provide their own practice balls. Catcher’s mask/helmet must be NOCSAE stamped.

**Team Sport Information:**

- No schedule accommodations will be made for teams participating in another tournament 
while playing in the Nutmeg State Games.

- Any player whose age is challenged and the Coach **CANNOT** produce proof of age, said 
player will be declared ineligible for that game or until proof of age can be provided!

- Nutmeg State Games Coaches are required to have with them at all games and submit to 
the scorer’s table the following information: full team roster & copies of proof of age for all 
players on the team’s roster.

- FIFTY percent (50%) of a team’s competitors must be comprised of athletes from one region 
(North, South, East, West) Please see Region Breakdown for further information.

- Please designate your team’s name on all appropriate forms; if no name is given one will be 
assigned to you by the Nutmeg State Games administration.

- Teams will be allowed to wear their own uniforms

- Athletes who wish to play up in a division (play in an older age group then their age at the 
time of the tournament) will be allowed to do so. Athletes are not allowed to play down into 
a younger age group.

- Athletes may not sign up for multiple TEAM sports in the Nutmeg State Games.

**Reporting Game Scores:**

Upon game completion, Officials and a Manager/Head Coach from each team will be 
required to sign the Official Score Sheet. Once this is done, the **HEAD COACH** of the 
**WINNING TEAM** is required to call in the final score and other important game 
information (including highlights) to the Nutmeg State Games Headquarters in New Britain 
at **860-826-2303. It is of the utmost importance that the game score is reported accurately and IMMEDIATELY after the game!** Score sheets must also be submitted to the Game Administrator at your court at the conclusion of the Game. The 
Standings Page will be updated nightly after all scores are received and verified. Please be
certain your report is accurate; mistakes cause enormous problems in scheduling medal round games.

**Standings Page on** [www.nutmegstategames.org](http://www.nutmegstategames.org): The Standings page were created for coaches, managers, parents and athletes to view their team’s record, game results and standings within their round robin brackets during the tournament. Since the Nutmeg State Games adopted the round robin / pool play structure we wanted to offer our participants a way to view their own and their competitor’s records and also be able to see who advances during the playoff and medal round competition. Please check the Standings pages daily during the week of competition to make sure we have recorded the correct game results. Also, please check the Standings Page to verify when, where and who you will be playing for PLAY IN and MEDAL ROUND Games!

**Ice & Water:**
Teams will be responsible for providing their own ICE & Water during the Nutmeg State Games!

**Directions:**
Directions to all venues can be found on the Nutmeg State Games Baseball Webpage on the bottom right hand side.

**Nutmeg State Games (Temporary) Office Contact Information:**
The Nutmeg State Games Administration will be moving to our temporary headquarters in New Britain on Wednesday, July 11th. We will be at this location through July 29th.

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