



Battle of Lake Erie Showcase

June 24-26

Welcome to the 2022 Battle of Lake Erie Tournament & Showcase.

Scheduling will be done through the **Tourney Machine** App. Tourney Machine is the official tournament source for team schedules and results. Please make sure all Coaches and Managers have the App. The pool play schedule will be updated, not later than, 2 weeks prior to the event.

Registration: We will be doing a virtual registration this year. ***Each team must email their team insurance and roster to, sarah_moffett@yahoo.com, by June 20.*** Please ensure that you have Birth Certificates available, in case of challenge. We do not need a copy.

Rules:

1. All games will be 70 minutes & then finish the inning, unless the home team has the lead and is batting. Championship game will be 7 innings
2. Pool Play games can end in a tie. Bracket play must have a winner. In bracket play, after “finish the inning” has occurred, the games will go to ITB until we have a winner.
3. Run rules. 15 runs after one inning is complete and 45 minutes, drop dead. Then, 12, 10, 8, after innings 3, 4, 5.
4. Metal cleats allowed for 14u/16u/18u with the **EXCEPTION: of NO METAL CLEATS, if playing at Mercyhurst University.**
5. Seeding Tiebreakers that are built in to Tourney Machine are: Record, Winning %, Head to Head (2 teams only), Runs Allowed, Run Differential, Runs Scored, Coin Flip.
6. There are no protests. Umpire decisions are final. With the shortage of umpires that are impacting our tournament and many others, we will not deal with unruly parents or coaches. They will immediately be asked to leave and the game will not continue, until they are gone and clock will continue to run. If a coach is thrown out of a game, he/she will be suspended for their team’s next game.
7. All scores must be reported to, 814-397-2058 immediately following the game. Please include score, opponent, age group and field.

Additional Rules for 8U:

1. Coach pitch. Coach Pitcher must have one foot inside the circle when delivering the pitch.

2. Max of 5 runs per inning.
3. There will be a half circle in front of home plate. Any ball that dies within that circle, will be a dead ball.
4. You can not walk.
5. Umpires will call strikes that are not swung at.
6. No drop 3rd.
7. No stealing, lead offs are ok.
8. There will be a half way line between 1st & 2nd, 2nd & 3, 3rd and Home. If baserunner has crossed that line before the pitcher has the ball secured in the circle, they will get the next base. If they have not, they will return to previous base.
9. Out at home must be on the throw. No running ball to home and touching plate for a force out.

Fields, Locations and Parking,

Note: Tourney Machine has a Map Pin for each location:

1. **Mercyhurst University** - We are pleased to add this great facility to our tournament. Parking can be tight up there and there is a band competition going on during. Best place to park would be at Mercyhurst Preparatory School at 538 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie. The worst parking but, could be additional for you, is the Saxxon Stadium in your Tourney Machine app. However, this will be a little bit of a longer walk up to field.
2. **Harborcreek Community Par** - There are 3 parking lots for these fields, to help with flow, it will be important to follow these suggestions. 12U/8U teams, you should park in the lot off of Firman Road. 16U teams would be best to park off of Clark Road, turn on to Six Mile Drive and there is lot. 10U would be best suited to turn on Municipal Dr off of Rt 20/Buffalo Rd. Municipal Dr is a long road that takes you back through a wooded area and then you come out at the 10U field.
3. **Walnut Creek** - is at 5901 Sterrettania Rd, Fairview. Parking is pretty self explanatory here. Turn into the school and fields are around back. **Avoid parking on Thomas Rd and the sub division south of the fields.**
4. **McDowell High School** - 3740 Sterrettania Rd. Enter the Hanlon Sports Complex from East 38th Street. The softball field is next to CVS and behind the turf field and tennis courts.
5. **Fort LeBeouf High School** - 931 N. High St, Waterford: Use the parking lot behind the school.
6. **Penn State Behrend** – 4701 College Dr. Parking will be alongside the field.

IMPORTANT! Please respect any signs that say, no parking. Ignoring these could lead to your car being towed.

There will be NO PARKING or GATE FEES!

T-Shirts:

1. The pre-order T-shirts will be separated and will be at each team's first pool game location Friday or Saturday. Please ask an Erie Frost representative where you can find the T-shirts at your location.
 - a. If you have not completed the payment process, please send a check to the Erie Frost

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- b. Please remember we cannot release shirts until the payment process has been completed.