



**USSSA**

**11 & UNDER AA**

**MISSOURI STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**DATES: JUNE 19-22, 2008**

**TO BE HELD AT: TWIN OAKS SPORTS CENTER**

**LOCATION: COLUMBIA, MISSOURI**



**HOSTED BY: BC BASEBALL**

# USSSA 11 & UNDER AA MISSOURI STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

**Entry Information:** USSSA 11 & Under AA teams can qualify for the state tournament through league and/or tournament participation. Teams must send an entry form to the Missouri USSSA State Office to enter the tournament. There is a copy of the entry form, which also is located on the KC Sports Web Site ([www.kcsports.org](http://www.kcsports.org)) under MO/KAN USSSA, included with this information. As per directions listed at that web site, please print out the entry form on the web site or use the included page to enter the 11U AA state tournament. Complete the form and mail **with entry fee of \$325** to: Missouri USSSA State Office, KC Sports, 6324 N. Chatham Ave., #136, Kansas City, MO 64151. The Missouri USSSA State Office ***MUST RECEIVE your entry by 06-16-08*** in order to get your team entered in the state tournament.

**Tournament Format Note:** The tournament will be conducted under a pool play into a single elimination championship bracket format. Pool games will be scheduled for Thursday and Friday. Bracket play will be scheduled for Saturday and Sunday. Teams should plan to play one pool game on Thursday and two pool games on Friday.

**NOTE:** USSSA state tournaments are seeded based on points accumulated in USSSA tournaments; thus, game times are determined by this seeding. We are not and will not be able to accommodate requests for start times; so, please don't request or ask for this. Thanks.

**Tournament Schedule:** The schedule for the USSSA 11U AA Missouri State Championship will be finalized on Monday, June 16, 2008 and posted to the BC Baseball League's web site ([www.BCBaseball.org](http://www.BCBaseball.org)) on Tuesday, June 17, 2008. Depending upon total number of teams entered in the tournament, games could begin as early as 8AM on Thursday and 8AM on Friday. (In 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, the tournament started at 10AM on Thursday.) Bracket play will begin on Saturday, June 21, 2008. Games on Friday and Saturday may be scheduled as late as a 10PM start. The entire 2007 State Tournament Information, Packet and Results still is available for reference on the BC Baseball web site ([www.bcbaseball.org](http://www.bcbaseball.org)).

**Check-in Procedures:** Teams should check in at the Headquarters Table, located under the pavilion ***at the Twin Oaks Complex***, no later than 1 hour before their first scheduled game, ***even if your first game is not at the Twin Oak Complex***. Check-in will begin 1.5 hours before the first scheduled game on Thursday. A **Tournament Check-In Form** should be (included with this packet) completed and turned in at the team's tournament check-in. At check-in you will need to provide:

1. Copies of Birth Certificates or USSSA ID Cards for all players on Roster Form
2. Tournament Check-In Form
3. Gate Fees Payment (\$250)
4. Team T-Shirt Order Payment -- If Ordering 10 Or More As A Team

**NOTE 1:** *The USSSA State Office will be supplying the tournament with your qualified ON-LINE ROSTER. Players names must be listed on the ON-LINE ROSTER AS IT APPEARS ON HIS BIRTH CERTIFICATE. Full first and last names on roster must match birth certificate.*

**NOTE 2:** *Teams adding players to their qualified roster, as per USSSA rules, must do this through the USSSA Office at least 72 hours prior to the tournament.*

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**Gate Fees:** The Twin Oaks Sports Complex and other complexes utilized by the BC Baseball League for tournaments are not equipped to handle gate fees. We have adopted a system whereby a team admission charge is assessed separate from the tournament entry fee. After much research, the BC Baseball League is charging an admission fee of \$250 per team. We are asking the coach to collect this admission fee and pay it in one payment at check-in.

**Field Information:** BC Baseball has owned the Twin Oaks Complex for four years. Many improvements have been made over the past two years and, if this is a return visit to one of BC Baseball's Twin Oaks Tournaments, you will see additional improvements since last year such as field work and more-defined warning tracks because of new sod work. Last year, we added a public address system, concession stand amenities and a new check-in/souvenir area under the pavillion. However, we also want everyone to know that we still are in an improvement phase, as not all planned work has been completed. We appreciate your understanding of this and would be more than happy to answer any questions about our future plans.

**Field Restrictions:** The BC Baseball League has maintained the policy of NOT allowing any outside food or drinks to be brought into the Twin Oaks Complex. We do not allow any bottles, cans, jugs or coolers to be brought into the complex. We have a full-service concession stand on premises (although it is not entirely completed, it is fully functional). We also are not allowing any food to be cooked in the parking lot area for safety and health code reasons. We appreciate your cooperation; however, we also reserve the right to inspect bags, etc. which are brought into the complex. If food or drink (which includes bottled water, flavored water, sports water or Gatorade type products) is brought into the complex, *it will be confiscated. Review this information with your parents and players so we DO NOT have to interrupt game and/or your coaching to deal with this!* Water coolers will be provided in each team's dugout throughout the tournament. We also ask that you not bring pets into the complex – nor scooters, skate boards, etc.

**Field Notes:** Most, if not all, pool games will be played at the Twin Oaks Complex. If needed, some pool games may be played at the City of Columbia's Antimi or Albert-Oakland complexes. All bracket games will be scheduled for the Twin Oaks Complex. At the Twin Oaks Complex, there are four agrilime fields with portable mounds. Also, there are three batting cages with L screens. We ask you to help us take care of these! The Antimi Complex has 6 dirt fields with portable mounds (very similar to those used at Twin Oaks). The Albert-Oakland Complex has two dirt fields with portable mounds (very similar to those used at Twin Oaks). The number of teams entering the tournament, and thus the number of pool games to be played on Friday, will determine which complex we use.

**Tourney Shirts:** A tournament T-Shirt will be available for \$18 each. A limited number of shirts will be available in adult sizes. For team orders of 10 or more paid for all at one time, the price will be \$15.00 per shirt. To assure your team of receiving the State Tournament Souvenir T-Shirt, a [Souvenir T-Shirt Advance Order Form](#) is included in this packet. Utilize this form to order your shirts in advance of the state tournament. Shirts ordered no later than 1:00 PM on Tuesday, June 17, 2008 will be guaranteed availability.

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**Tourney Photos:** Legends Photography will be on site for the 11 & Under AA Missouri State Championship taking action photos and providing parents with the opportunity to purchase and receive the photos on site. Legends will be taking photos of most games; however, if you are interested in photos of your team in action, please stop by their location (inside the Concession Stand) to make sure they take photos of your game and/or make sure they know which players are interested in photos.

**Weather Phone Number:** Schedule changes will be updated on the BC Baseball Hotline Number during the tournament. That phone number is (573) 442-3693.

**Warm-up Notes:** *SOFT TOSS INTO THE FENCE ON ANY FIELD IS **NOT** ALLOWED.* Once teams take the actual game field, all throwing warm-up should be held in the outfield grass area. Once any field prep and maintenance (batter's box and pitching plate work and field lining) has been completed, teams may take ground balls before the game by splitting the field; however, ***no full infield will be allowed.*** At Twin Oaks or any field where pitchers warm up on the field, pitchers are to warm-up in the outfield foul area prior to the game and during the game. The pitcher is to throw towards the outfield fence parallel to the foul line. During the game, when a pitcher is being warmed up, a protector (a coach with a glove or player wearing a helmet and glove) is to accompany the pitcher and warm-up catcher with the protector to be stationed between the pitcher and batter facing the batter.

**Tournament Rules:** The tournament will be conducted under the rules of the USSSA, as published in the USSSA Baseball National By-Laws. All coaches are reminded and recommended to review all items under *ARTICLE VIII: USSSA BASEBALL PLAYING RULES*, most particularly *ITEM IV: GAME RULES*, which contains information on run rules, courtesy runner, re-entry, extra hitter, pitching limitations and pool-play advancement. Coaches also should review the USSSA sportsmanship rules for coaches, players and parents, as these will be followed and enforced. If you do not have a USSSA rule book, these rules can be referenced at [www.USSSABaseball.org](http://www.USSSABaseball.org).

**USSSA Sportsmanship & BC Baseball Fan Conduct Rule:** The USSSA takes the matter of proper sportsmanship seriously. The Head Coach of each team is responsible for the behavior of his assistant coaches, parents, fans and players. Should the umpires have any issue in regards to improper conduct with assistant coaches, parents or players, the Head Coach will be held responsible. BC Baseball has one simple rule, which will be in effect for all tournaments it administers, "If a parent or fan is ejected from the park, the Head Coach will be ejected as well and will be required to escort that parent or fan to the parking lot immediately."

**Time Limit:** All games in the tournament, with the exception of the championship game, will be conducted with a **1 HOUR, 40 MINUTE TIME LIMIT**. Inclement weather could force time limits to be modified. For purposes of interpreting the time limit, the next inning will begin when the third out of the previous inning is recorded. Thus, if there is any time remaining when the third out of the previous inning is recorded, the next inning will be started and completed in its entirety.

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Game Procedures:

1. A coin flip will determine home team in all pool games and the championship and third-place games. In bracket play, the higher seeded team will be the home team. Coaches from both teams should report to the Headquarters Area (under the pavilion between Fields 2 and 3 at Twin Oaks; near the concession stand at the Antimi or Albert-Oakland Fields) approximately 45 minutes prior to their game for the coin toss. (NOTE: Last year, we tracked and posted coin toss statistics; we plan to do this again for 2008.)
2. Both teams are to provide scorekeepers, who will be required to report runs scored to the home plate umpire at each half inning. Teams will be required to obtain an official Two-Team Line-Up Card from the headquarters table at each location prior to each game. One team should obtain the card, complete it and pass it on to the opposing team for completion. During the game, the umpire will use this card to keep official score, substitutions and pitching records. Each coach will be required to sign this card at the end of each game to verify its accuracy. Coaches should check the pitching record listed on the Two-Team Line-up Card very carefully before signing, as this pitching record is the official pitching summary used to post pitching information on all teams. Coaches also should make sure the final score is listed on the card before signing as runs allowed is the first criteria for tie-breakers to qualify for bracket play.
3. At this time, scoreboards at the Twin Oaks Complex are not functioning. If, however, they are repaired (actually, we are waiting on parts, etc. to convert them to wireless), teams occupying the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout on Field #1; the 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout on Field #2, the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout on Field #3 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout on Field #4 will be responsible for running the electronic scoreboards. (NOTE: The scoreboard on Field #4 had an electrical line cut during part of the renovation process and was not functional at the time of this posting; if it is not functional at state tournament time we will use the scoreboards on Fields #1, #2 and #3 only).





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TWIN OAKS COMPLEX; COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

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## SOUVENIR T-SHIRT TEAM ORDER FORM

This form is being provided for teams to order their Souvenir Tournament T-Shirts in advance. This order will be packaged for pick-up at Check-In, at which time payment is due for the shirts. Shirts are priced at \$15.00 each (instead of \$18 each), if teams order at least 10 shirts. Single purchase shirts also will be available at the tournament site for those teams not ordering as a team at \$18 each.

FOR TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS USE

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HEAD COACH: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON HANDLING ORDER: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

### T-SHIRT ORDERING INFORMATION

NOTE: At least 10 shirts must be ordered to obtain team pricing listed below.

# Shirts	Shirt Size	Total
_____	Adult Small @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
_____	Adult Medium @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
_____	Adult Large @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
_____	Adult X-Large @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
_____	Adult XX-Large @ \$17.00 each	\$ _____
_____	Adult XXX-Large @ \$17.00 each	\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDER: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Design



Design to the left is for 2008; it is recommended that teams order in advance to assure all sizes are available!

Fax Completed Order To: (573) 445-8998

or: Pay/Purchase Shirts at Check-In



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## FIELD DIRECTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

The following are directions and information on each park which might be used for the USSSA 11U AA Missouri State Championship:

**Twin Oaks Complex:** There are four agri-lime fields at this complex, utilizing portable mounds. The new outdoor batting nets have arrived and are hung and usable. All players must wear helmets when in the batting cages. NOTE: The area to the east of the batting cages may be used for warming up, although it still is a bit rough. We are continuing to work through a drainage issue which causes some erosion and some of the roughness.

**Twin Oaks Complex Directions:** From the west, proceed east on I-70 to Exit 133 (second exit east of Columbia at Route Z); turn right at top of exit ramp; take a left on southeast outer road; proceed east on this road 2.4 miles; this road curves sharply to the right; the Twin Oaks entrance is on the right side of the road. You should drive by four houses and turn into a tree-lined gravel road that will bring you to the ballpark. The old entrance, *no longer open*, is a road that goes between the first two houses. From the east -- proceed west on I-70 to Exit 133; turn left at top of exit ramp and follow directions as listed above. From the north or south using Highway 63, take I-70 east (towards St. Louis) and follow directions as listed above.

**Twin Oaks Complex Field Restrictions:** The BC Baseball League has maintained the policy of NOT allowing any outside food or drinks to be brought into the Twin Oaks Complex. We do not allow any bottles, cans, jugs or coolers to be brought into the complex. We have a full-service concession stand on premises (although it is not entirely completed, it is fully functional). We also are not allowing any food to be cooked in the parking lot area for safety and health code reasons. We appreciate your cooperation; however, we also reserve the right to inspect bags, etc. which are brought into the complex. . If food or drink (which includes bottled water, flavored water, sports water or Gatorade type products) is brought into the complex, ***it will be confiscated. Review this information with your parents and players so we DO NOT have to interrupt game and/or your coaching to deal with this!*** Water coolers will be provided in each team's dugout throughout the tournament. We also ask that you not bring pets into the complex – nor scooters, skate boards, etc.

**Albert Oakland Complex:** There are two dirt fields at this complex, utilizing portable mounds. This is a City of Columbia Park with a Shelter and space for teams to warm-up. There will be a Concession Stand at this complex operated by BC Baseball. Also, teams may check in on Saturday morning at this complex prior to their first game.

**Albert-Oakland Complex Directions:** Albert-Oakland Fields are located in Albert-Oakland Park in Columbia. From I-70, take Exit 127 (Rangeline/763) and proceed north 9/10ths of a mile to Blue Ridge Road. Turn right (east) on Blue Ridge and go 1.2 miles to Oakland Place. Turn right (south) on Oakland Place and go 1 block to Edris Drive. Turn right onto Edris Drive and into the parking lot. Fields are directly west of the parking lot.

**Albert-Oakland Complex Field Restrictions:** *This is a city of Columbia complex rented for the weekend by the BC Baseball League. There will be a concession stand operated by BC Baseball at this complex. At this time, water will NOT be provided in each team's dugout. Team water coolers are recommended.*



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**Antimi Complex:** There are six dirt fields at this complex, utilizing portable mounds. This is a City of Columbia Park with additional fields to be used for warm-up, as well as three batting cages.

**Antimi Complex Directions:** Antimi Complex fields are located in Cosmos Park in Columbia. From I-70, take Exit 124 (Stadium Boulevard) and proceed north 1/10th of a mile to Business Loop 70 West. Turn right (east) and travel 5/10ths of a mile to Cosmos Park entrance on left side of road. Turn left (north) into park and travel to the north end of the park. Antimi fields are located east of the last parking lot. Do not get confused and turn into the Rainbow complex; this is a softball complex unavailable for baseball.

**Antimi Complex Field Restrictions:** *This is a city of Columbia complex rented for the weekend by the BC Baseball League. There will be a concession stand operated by the City of Columbia at this complex. At this time, water **will NOT** be provided in each team's dugout. Team water coolers are recommended.*



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## TOURNAMENT UPDATE/REMINDERS

The following are some reminders of some rules which will be used as outlined in your tournament packet:

- Coin Toss/Lineup Cards:** A two-team lineup card will be used for all games. *Coaches are requested to report to the Umpire In Chief at the Headquarters Table approximately 45 minutes before their game for the coin toss* and to pick up the two-team lineup card. A coin toss will be held for all pool games and the championship and third-place games. In all bracket games, the higher seeded team will be the home team. The Headquarters Table is located under the shelter between Fields 2 and 3 at the Twin Oaks Complex. The coin toss for games held away from the Twin Oaks Complex will be held near the concession stands.
- Time Limit and Run Rules, Etc.:** In order to maintain the tournament schedule, the following will be in effect.
  - Time Limit:** 1 hour, 40 minutes (except championship games)
  - Run Rules:** As per USSSA rule book in games involving 11U, the run rules are 15 after three innings and 8 after four innings in both pool play and bracket play;
  - Pitchers** must begin their warmup immediately upon taking field or no later than 15 minutes before game time.
- Tournament Awards:** Team and individual trophies will be given for first, second, third and fourth place.
- Batting Cages:** Players must wear a helmet in batting cages when batting.
- Foul Balls:** Team batting is required to chase foul balls, unless by prior agreement between coaches one team retrieves foul balls on its side of the field and the other team retrieves foul balls on the other side. Please note: The BC Baseball League starts all games with two new baseballs and two used baseballs; with the teams help, this is all that is needed. If teams do not chase and retrieve foul balls, the umpire may require teams to purchase additional baseballs from the Tournament Headquarters Table at \$5 per ball. The time limit will continue to run while additional balls are being purchased, unless it is being used as a stall tactic by one team at which time the umpire has the discretionary power to suspend the clock and/or add minutes to the time limit. So, please retrieve foul balls with enthusiasm!
- USSSA Sportsmanship & Twin Oaks Fan Conduct Rule:** The USSSA takes the matter of proper sportsmanship seriously. The Head Coach of each team is responsible for the behavior of his assistant coaches, parents, fans and players. Should the umpires have any issue in regards to improper conduct with assistant coaches, parents or players, the Head Coach will be held responsible. The Twin Oaks Complex has one simple rule, which will be in effect for the State Tournament, "If a parent or fan is ejected from the park, the Head Coach will be ejected as well and will be required to escort that parent or fan to the parking lot immediately."
- Field Restrictions:** The BC Baseball League has maintained the policy of NOT allowing any outside food or drinks (other than water) to be brought into the complex in order to stay in compliance with state health code regulations. We have a full-service concession stand on premises. We also are not allowing any food to be cooked in the parking lot area, also to stay in compliance with state health codes. We appreciate your cooperation. If food or drink (which includes bottled water, flavored water, sports water or Gatorade type products) is brought into the complex, ***it will be confiscated.*** (NOTE: Any violations of this policy will be brought to the Head Coach's attention to resolve. Make sure you inform you parents of these restrictions so you are not dealing with this during your games when you want to coach. Thank You.) We also ask that you not bring pets, scooters, skateboards, etc. into the complex.



# USSSA BASEBALL

## 2008 STATE TOURNAMENT

### ENTRY FORM



#### STATE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM DIRECTIONS

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As per directions listed at that web site, please print out the entry form on the web site or use this page to enter your state tournament. Complete this form and mail **with entry fee** (of \$325) to Missouri USSSA State Office so that your state entry may be processed and forwarded on to Tournament Headquarters for your particular tournament.

The Missouri USSSA State Office **MUST RECEIVE your entry by the following dates** in order to get your team entered in its appropriate State Tournament.

- For AA State Tournaments: Entries Must Be Received by Monday, June 16, 2008**
- For AAA State Tournaments: Entries Must Be Received by Monday, June 23, 2008**
- For Major State Tournaments: Entries Must Be Received by Monday, June 23, 2008**
- For 9U East Open State Tournament: Entries Must Be Received by Monday, June 30, 2008**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group (Circle One):      8U   9U   10U   11U   12U   13U   14U   15U   16U   17U   18U  
 Classification (Circle One):    MAJOR      AAA      AA      A

USSSA Sanction Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Location Entering: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:            USSSA Baseball/KC Sports  
 6324 N. Chatham Ave., #136  
 Kansas City, MO 64151

**REMEMBER: Entry Fee (\$325) must be included with this form.**