

2026 NEA JBB Jr High League

- Tentative schedule: Games will begin on March 9th and the Postseason Tournament will be mid to late May depending on the weather.
- Regular and Postseason Tournament Awards
- Games on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights.
- Time Limits will be 1 hour 45 minutes for 7 inning games and 1 hour and 30 minutes for 5 inning games. DH will be a 7 inning game 1 and 5 inning game 2.
- PLEASE GET WITH MIKE SCHMIDT (STATE USSSA DIRECTOR) TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM. I HAVE SHARED HIS CONTACT WITH EVERYONE. You must purchase team insurance. To roster a player it will require you to have the player's legal name, date of birth, and parent/guardian information. Every coach must sign the official USSSA Roster when the season starts. If there are any additions to your roster after the season starts they must be added on the USSSA website before they play. A new signed roster will be required when the player is added. All players MUST attend the School they play for in this league.
- Players are eligible to play league and regular weekend travel ball.
- Pitchers are limited to 2 innings per night. BOTH LEAGUES WILL USE 60 FT MOUND AND 90 FT BASES FOR 2026.
- Due to playing on school nights we will use the 5 runs per inning rule. Game mercy rules will be the same as USSSA: 15 after 3/12 after 4/8 after 5 or whenever a team is mathematically eliminated.
- Each team can hit a standard 9 or 10 (with EH) or a continuous lineup. However, you must hit the same way the whole game. If you are hitting a continuous lineup and have an injury you must take an out in the vacated spot in the lineup. If you fall below 8 players in a game it is a forfeit.
- Entry Fee is \$400 per team. JBB will provide baseballs. Gate fee is \$5 per night for everyone over 5yo.
- Home team is the official book and visitors keep the scoreboard (wireless controllers).
- Bat rules are covered at www.arkansasusssa.com under the Rules tab in section 7.0 of the USSSA Rules. The bat rules and penalties will be enforced. 8th Grade will use 14u and 7th grade will use 13u.

Randy Bearce, JBB Jr High Commissioner