## St. Anthony's CYO Pee Wee Divisional Rules

## General

- \* Practices are only at St. Anthony's Field, and never away from the CYO Complex.
- Practice for 10 minutes starting at the appointed time.
- Games begin after the Opening Pray and the National Anthem, and not before.
- Please line players up along the foul line at your dugout for the Pray and Anthem. Please have the players tuck their shorts into their pants, and take their hats off.
- Players can not wear their hats backwards.
- Helmets must be worn at all times when batting and running bases. This is a zero tolerance. Helmets must have a face mask, even if it is the players personal helmet.
- Play all players in field.
- An inning is three outs.
- Coach pitch except for the last four weeks. Then players go to the pitching machine.

\*In case of light rain, when games are not cancelled, the machines are not used, revert to coach pitching.

- There is no leading or stealing.
- A batter is not allowed to slide into first base (added to rules mid-2010 season).
- There is a 5 run per inning mercy rule. The mercy rule is waived in the last inning, agreed upon by both coaches.
- At the conclusion of the game, each team will line up on their respective foul line for the traditional good sportsmanship handshake at home plate (added to rules for 2005).

## Batting

- There is no on-deck circle.
- No limit on bases when hitting, the batter can get more than a single.
- ❖ Each batter is allowed five strikes, if the batter strikes out, he/she will be allowed to take 1st base (except if the strike out is the third out of the inning), but an out is scored. This way they do not get dejected, and can practice base running.
- No bunting or stealing.

## Fielding

- Play one player at each infield position (inc pitcher, but not catcher), and spread the rest throughout the out field.
- ❖ Bases are 40′ apart.
- Please follow the St. Anthony's <u>CYO Philosophy</u>.
  - Have Fun and Play Ball!
    All Divisional Schedules