

# 2017 Strawberry Jam Softball

## Tournament Rules

### I. General Rules

1. Teams must check in 30 minutes before their first game. Also, if they have not already done so, they must provide the following:
  - a. ASA Insurance certificates.
  - b. Rosters with birth dates.
  - c. Contact number and name for during the tournament.
2. Managers are responsible for the behavior and conduct of their team, players, coaches and fans. Excessive inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behavior may result in an ejection from the game or removable for the duration of the tournament by the umpire in chief or the tournament director. Their word is final.
3. Rolling Hills Middle School, Watsonville High School are public schools and St Francis High School is a Private school where NO smoking and **ADSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES or CONSUMPTION is allowed including the parking lots.** If a player, parent or fan for your team is found with Alcohol, your team will be removed for the duration of the tournament, with no refund, by the umpire in chief or the tournament director.
4. **NO DOGS** allowed on any school grounds.
5. All teams are responsible for leaving the dugouts clean after each game.
6. The team listed first in the schedule is assigned the third-base dugout. Teams playing back-to –back games may keep the same dugout.
7. The home team will be determined by a coin toss. The home team scorekeeper will keep the official scorebook. The winning manager must verify the final score with the plate umpire. The umpire will then report the score to the tournament director.
8. Game time is forfeit time. Teams must be prepared to play 10 minutes before the scheduled time
9. There will be no pre-game infield practice and no hitting into fences.
10. The 2017 ASA rulebook will be in effect except for special tournament rules herein. Protests will be resolved with the umpire at point of protest. The umpire's decision will be final.
11. 14U division – METAL CLEATS are fine, and pitching distance at 43 feet for 14U, 16U and 18U.  
Pitching for 8U – 30 feet, 10U – 35 feet and 12U at 40feet.
12. No BBQ's on the campus or parking lot.

## Special Tournament Rules

a. Games will be 7 innings or 75 minutes long, except that no new inning may start after 70 minutes. (A new inning begins when the third out is made in the previous inning). Except 8U will have 75 Minutes but no new inning after 65. Championship games will be 80 minutes, no new inning after 75 but the run rule is still in affect. Game Time starts at coin toss.

If you start an inning, then you must finish that inning on Saturday play only. The game ends if the home team is at bat and ahead when the game time runs out.

b. The mercy rule is in effect for all games.

- i. 10 run after 3 innings.
- ii. 8 runs after 5 innings.

c. In Group play, games can end in a tie. For elimination or championship Games, if the score is tied after 7 innings or time expired, then the international tie breaker will take effect. After two tie breaker innings, the winner will be determined by a coin toss.

d. The seeding for bracket play (elimination games) will be determined by the following point system:

- i. 10 points for a win.
- ii. 5 points for a tie
- iii. 0 points for a loss.

e. If teams are tied with the same number of points at the conclusion of Group Play, the following criteria will be used:

- i. Head-To- Head.
- ii. Fewest runs allowed.
- iii. Most runs scored ( 8 maximum per game).
- iv. Coin toss.

**IMPORTANT: If the tie involves more than 2 teams, the above criteria will be used until at least one team is eliminated. Then the entire same process begins all over again until there are no longer any ties.**

f. **STRAWBERRY JAM does use the Pink 11” and 12” softball for this tournament for all ages 8u thru 18U....**

Website: [www.pajarovalleygirlssoftball.com](http://www.pajarovalleygirlssoftball.com)

We will post the standing on the site as soon as we can.

Thank you for coming and joining us to a fun filled Strawberry Jam tournament and hope you enjoy two days of softball. Good luck!

## **The Strawberry Jam System**

This year we will be playing at three different Locations please read everything carefully....

We do not play the traditional format of three games on Saturday and single elimination brackets Sunday, which has half of the teams one and done. At Strawberry Jam, all teams play two games Saturday and two games Sunday. The fields and game times available for each division are the same on both days, but which teams are seeded into which games on Sunday depends on the teams' records from Saturday play. All players on all teams receive some kind of a award.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU READ YOUR DIVISIONS LAY OUT FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY.** All divisions play can be different depending on number of teams.

Tie-breakers are explained in the tournament rules. Forfeited games are scored 7 to 0 by ASA rule.

### **2017- 8 & Under (Rolling Hills Middle School)**

There are Nine (9) teams in this tournament and they will be divided into three Groups.

Group A, Group B and Group C will each have three teams.

#### Group A

PV Tremblers  
Tracy Express  
San Lorenzo Heat

#### Group B

Quicksilver  
Tracy Heat  
Fresno Rage

#### Group C

Santa Clara Sparks  
S Jose Twisters  
Hollister Heat

1. Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two (2) games on that day. In All Groups your team will play the other two teams in your Group.
2. At the conclusion of Group play on Saturday, the point system from the special Tournament rules will be used to seed for Sunday's bracket play of elimination games.
3. The three first place teams will comprise the gold division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of these games, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to determine the first, second, and third place teams. Only Sunday's games will be used to determine the place of each team. Saturday's games will not be used for this purpose.
4. The three second place teams will comprise the silver division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of these games, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to determine the first, second, and third place teams. Only Sunday's games will be used to determine the place of each team. Saturday's games will not be used for this purpose.
5. The three third place teams will comprise the bronze division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of these games, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to determine the first, second, and third place teams. Only Sunday's games will be used to determine the place of each team. Saturday's games will not be used for this purpose.

## **2017 - 10C & Under (Rollings Hills Middle School)**

1. There are six (6) teams in this tournament and they will be divided into two Groups.

Group A and Group B will each have three teams

### Group A

Castro Valley Synergy  
Monterey All Stars  
Palo Alto Heat

### Group B

Sunnyvale Shockwave  
Mt Dream  
Oakland Vipers

Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two (2) games on that day.

- In Group A and Group B, your team will play two of the three teams in your Group.

2. At the conclusion of Group play on Saturday, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to seed for Sunday's bracket play of elimination games.
3. The two first place teams and the top second place team will comprise the gold division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of Sunday's play there will a first, second, third place team in the gold division. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
4. The two third place teams and the other second place team will comprise the silver division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of Sunday's play there will a first, second, third place team in the silver division. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
5. The top second place team will be determined by using the point system from the special tournament rules.

## **2017- 12 BC & Under (Watsonville High School)**

1. There are Eight (8) teams in this tournament and they will be divided into three Groups.

Group A and Group B will each have Four teams.

### Group A

South Valley Stealth  
Campbell Crush  
Fresno Rage  
San Carlos Force

### Group B

Hollister Heat  
Roseville Thunder  
Monterey All Stars  
Mt Dream

2. Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two (2) games on that day.
3. In both Group A and Group B, your team will play only two of the other three teams in your group. There will be one team within your group that you will not play.
4. At the conclusion of Group play on Saturday, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to seed for Sunday's bracket play of elimination games.
5. The two first place teams and the two second place teams will comprise the gold division. Pool A First vs. Pool B Second will be the one semi-final game and Pool B First vs. Pool A Second will be the other semi-final game. The two winners will play in the Championship game and the two losers will play in the third place game. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
6. The two third place teams and the two fourth place teams will comprise the silver division. Pool A Third vs. Pool B Fourth will be one semi-final game and Pool B Third vs. Pool A Fourth will be the other semi-final game. The two winners will play in the Championship game and the two losers will play in the third place game. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.

## **2017- 14 & Under (St Francis High School)**

1. There are Twelve (12) teams in this tournament and they will be divided into three Groups.

Group A, Group B, Group C and Group D will each have three teams.

### Group A

S Valley Stealth

MV Nova

PV Tremblers - Art

### Group B

SB Quakes-Spingola

San Bruno Storm

Hollister Heat

### Group C

SB Quakes - Caires

PV Tremblers - Jesse

San Mateo Eagles

### Group D

UC Fury

SB Quakes-Blk

Mt Dream

2. Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two (2) games on that day. In All Groups your team will play the other two teams in your Group.
3. At the conclusion of Group play on Saturday, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to seed for Sunday's bracket play of elimination games.
4. The four first place teams will comprise the gold division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
5. The four second place teams will comprise the silver division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
6. The four third place teams will comprise the bronze division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.

## **2017-16/18U & Under (Watsonville High School)**

1. There are six (6) teams in this tournament and they will be divided into two Groups.

Group A and Group B will each have three teams

### Group A

Sth Bay Quakes – Gomez

PV Tremblers – Colleen

Nty Cty Raptors - Covina

### Group B

South Valley Stealth

PV Tremblers - Ed

Nty Cty - Al

Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two (2) games on that day.

- In Group A and Group B, your team will play two of the three teams in your Group.

2. At the conclusion of Group play on Saturday, the point system from the special tournament rules will be used to seed for Sunday's bracket play of elimination games.
3. The two first place teams and the top second place team will comprise the gold division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of Sunday's play there will a first, second, third place team in the gold division. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
4. The two third place teams and the other second place team will comprise the silver division and will play a round robin on Sunday. At the conclusion of Sunday's play there will a first, second, third place team in the silver division. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
5. The top second place team will be determined by using the point system from the special tournament rules.

## **2017- 10UB (Rolling Hills Middle School)**

1. There are Eleven (11) teams in this tournament and they will not be divided into Four Groups

<u>Group A</u>	<u>Group B</u>	<u>Group C</u>	<u>Group D</u>
S Clara Sparks	Campbell Crush	S Shockwave	Rhonert Rebels
Fresno Rage	Hollister Heat	Top Flight Buzz	Mt Dream
Nty Cty Raptors	PV Tremblers-Robert	PV Tremblers - Ed	S Valley Stealth

Group play is on Saturday and all teams will play two games on that day.

In Group A, B, C and D, your team will play two of the three other teams in your group.

2. At the conclusion of Sunday's play there will a first, second, third place team in the gold division. The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
3. The four first place teams will comprise the gold division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
4. The four second place teams will comprise the silver division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.
5. The four third place teams will comprise the bronze division. The first two games will be the semi-finals followed by a third place game and the championship game. At the conclusion of Sundays play there will be a first, second, third and fourth place teams in the gold division The point system will not be used to determine the place of each team.