

#### **PVLL YOUTH UMPIRE PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

The Palos Verdes Little League (PVLL) Youth Umpire Program is intended to increase participant's knowledge of the rules of the game, build character and foster continued youth involvement. The ultimate goal of this program is to give youth an opportunity to learn, succeed and be rewarded in a challenging and safe environment.

The purpose of this Agreement is to ensure that you (and your parents) understand both the benefits and responsibilities that come with participation in PVLL's Youth Umpire Program. As a participant in the program, you are responsible for your actions on the field; as an umpire you will be responsible for controlling the actions of two teams of players, managers, and fans. That is a BIG responsibility! We want you to both be aware of this responsibility as well as PVLL's appreciation for your having accepted it.

### As your sponsor, PVLL will provide you with:

- Training and support.
- PVLL Youth Umpire hat and game indicator.
- Payment for games completed and recorded.

# As a Youth Umpire, you will:

- Attend both the informational rules and field mechanics trainings.
- Be responsible and accountable (i.e., show up for games you are scheduled to work)
- Pay attention to the game and make sure you are doing your job correctly and with enthusiasm.
- Work in a professional manner.
- Be dedicated and have the self-control necessary to meet the job requirements.
- Be honest and accurate to the best of your ability.
- Communicate clearly and decisively when making play decisions.
- Work cooperatively with Pro Umpires.
- Dress appropriately and bring necessary job equipment to scheduled games (PVLL Youth Umpire Hat, PVLL Youth Umpire Shirt, non-baseball logoed clothing, indicator, tennis shoes).

- Have a positive attitude.
- Follow the youth umpire rules as learned in field mechanic training(s).

#### **PVLL YOUTH UMPIRE MINIMUM AGE & EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:**

DIVISION GAME	AGE REQUIREMENT	EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT
Minors	Current PVLL Age 12 Players (6 <sup>th</sup> Grade OR Last Year in PVLL based on birthdate)	PVLL Rules and Field Mechanic Training
Intermediates	PVLL Graduated Players	Must have at least one year of experience in the PVLL Youth Umpire Program; PVLL Rules and Field Mechanic Training
Majors	PVLL Graduated Players	Must have at least one year of experience in the PVLL Youth Umpire Program; PVLL Rules and Field Mechanic Training

Youth Umpires will umpire <u>only in the field position</u> (only Pro Umpires can be behind the plate).

### **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:**

All youth umpires must attend PVLL Youth Umpire training each year before they can umpire games. For new umpires, the training consists of attendance at one (1) PVLL Rules Meeting for both youth and their parents, as well as one (1) Field Mechanics Training. Returning umpires must attend one (1) Fields Mechanics Training.

# **PVLL Rules & Introductory Meeting (Parents & Youth):**

Monday, January 30, 2023

6:00 - 7:30 pm

LOCATION: TBD (NOTE: Time/locations subject to change based on venue availability)

# **PVLL Field Mechanics Training (Youth Only):**

Note: You may choose to attend both of the field mechanics trainings should you wish, but attendance at only one is mandatory. Please wear tennis shoes, your PVLL Youth Umpire hat, and bring your indicator with you.

Friday, February 10, 2023 4 pm – 6 pm Malaga Cove – Field 3

### AND/OR

Friday, February 17 4 pm – 6 pm Malaga Cove – Field 3

Should you not be able to make a scheduled training due to illness or other emergency, contact the PVLL Youth Umpire Coordinator immediately to make other training arrangements. (NOTE: Dates/times of trainings subject to change based on venue and trainer availability)

#### **SCHEDULING GAMES:**

The PVLL Youth Umpire Coordinator conducts youth umpire scheduling to ensure game coverage. Online scheduling will be conducted to ensure coverage of all PVLL minor, intermediate and major games. Online scheduling requirements are to be respected and followed.

### **COMPENSATION:**

Youth Umpires will be compensated at the rates shown below. In addition, Youth Umpires are eligible to receive one (1) hamburger or hot dog and one (1) drink from the snack shack at their scheduled game field.

Minors Game Youth Umpire.....\$20 per game Intermediate / Majors Youth Umpire.....\$25 per game

If a game is cancelled at the last minute due to weather and/or other reasons, the Youth Umpire will be compensated for their time as scheduled.

# **YOUTH UMPIRE GAME LOG/SIGN-IN:**

In order for payment to be made, Youth Umpires MUST sign-in on the Youth Umpire Game Log in the snack shack at their game scheduled field.

### **YOUTH UMPIRE UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS:**

Youth Umpires are asked to report to their shift with the following:

PVLL Youth Umpire Hat (lost hats can be replaced for a minimal fee)

- PVLL Youth Umpire Shirts (lost shirts can be replaced for fee)
- Non-baseball logo clothing (i.e., clothing that does not contain any baseball team/logo affixed to it)
- Game indicator
- Tennis shoes (or similar)

## **YOUTH UMPIRE IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS**

- Youth umpires are to treat their position as a job and to be professional at all times. Youth umpires are reminded to keep to the job at hand and speak only to the Pro umpire when necessary (i.e., no excessive chatting with onfield players please)
- Youth umpires are forbidden to use cellphones during games they are working. You may keep a cellphone in your pocket, but you may not be on the phone at any time during the game.
- Youth Umpires are required to SIGN IN for their shifts in the snack shack at their assigned field.
- Youth umpires CANNOT work a game where they have a sibling playing during that game.
- It is IMPORTANT that you show up to work the games you are scheduled! IF you cannot fulfill your commitment, please contact the Youth Umpire coordinator IMMEDIATELY to ensure game coverage.
- If any Pro Umpire, manager, player or fan speaks to you inappropriately at any time during/after a game, please contact the PVLL Youth Umpire Coordinator by cell phone immediately.

#### **PVLL YOUTH UMPIRE COORDINATOR:**

To be considered for an opportunity to be a youth umpire, completed applications must be sent/turned in to the youth umpire coordinator **no later than Sunday, January 16**<sup>th</sup>. Interested participants that do not have a completed application submitted by this date will be accepted on a needs basis only.

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NOTE: Applications will be taken electronically this year. No need to send in a self-addressed stamped envelope. By signing your electronic agreement, you agree to all terms as outlined in this agreement.