

Sullivan Campus 2026 Fall Ball Rules

General Rules

All rules follow the National Federation High School Rules with the following exceptions: (See also the age specific exceptions for your age group)

1. Pitchers may pitch nine (9) consecutive outs per game.
2. Games are one hour and forty-five minutes in duration or 6 innings. Time limit is a drop dead so once the 1:45 limit has been reached the game is over after completing that at bat. Ties will not be played out. If a game is tied after 6 innings and time still exists then you will move to California Rules tie breaker and follow those rules until a winner is had or time expires. Same rules apply that if time expires game is over. California Rules place the person who made the last out in the previous inning at second base to start the extra inning and 1 out on the scoreboard and a 1-1 count to every batter. Play then continues as usual.
3. Run Rule is Team ahead by ten (10) runs at the end of four (4) innings or eight (8) after five (5) innings.
4. A runner must slide on a play at the plate. If the runner does not slide when a play is made on him at the plate he will be called out. If no play is made on runner at the plate he does not have to slide.
5. Courtesy runners may be used for the pitcher or catcher at any time, but must be used for the catcher when there are two outs. The runner must be a player who is currently not in the game and may not be used as a substitute for any other player in that same half inning. If no eligible player is available to courtesy run, then player who made the last out will only be allowed to run for the catcher when there are two outs.
6. If using continuous batting order substitutes may be used at any time. Players may re-enter the game at any time in their original batting order. If using a regular order or EH a starting player may re-enter once, while a substitute may not re-enter.
7. Teams may only go once through the batting order up to a maximum of 12 players per inning.
8. No bat restrictions for U14 and below. For U15-U18 bat restrictions must be BBCOR, no longer than 34in. and have a -3 drop limit.
9. CMH reserves the right to make changes as necessary. All changes will be communicated via email to the email address on the registration form.

Age Specific Variations

	U9/U10	U11/U12	U13/U14	U15-18
Base Paths	65'	70'	90	90
Pitcher's Mound	46'	50'	60'6"	60'6"
Advance on Drop 3rd Strike	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Leading Off	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stealing	After pitcher's release	Yes	Yes	Yes
Infield Fly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Continuous Batting Order	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Balks	no	Yes – 1 warning/pitcher	Yes – 1 per team	No
Extra Hitter	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Metal Spikes	No	No	Allowed	Allowed