

District 9 Policy #4 – Training

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Washington State District 9 (District 9) shall institute a training program that will satisfy the needs of all the Leagues in the District. This training program shall be part of the annual District Calendar that is presented to the League Presidents the first meeting of each District year (October thru September). The training shall consist of the following minimum:

1. **New Presidents Orientation** – If necessary, this training shall consist of a short orientation for all new League Presidents. It will include a presentation on where the individual Leagues fit into the Little League big picture, the District's responsibility, the Year Round League calendar, what Williamsport requires from the local League, a sample Constitution, a discussion/explanation of Little League Regulations, information on Little League Insurance and other information to allow the new League President to get started.
2. **Presidents Training** – The District shall conduct monthly District meetings for the purpose of training League Presidents on items that are needed and are coming up. At each District meeting, the District Administrator shall present how to accomplish items as they are due to Williamsport so the League President knows how to do it. It is then up to the League President to accomplish that item in a timely manner and submit it to the District for forwarding to Williamsport.
3. **Safety Officers Training** – If necessary, the League Safety Officers shall be trained in how to develop/update a League Safety Plan and how to file it with Little League Headquarters. They will also be given information on how to be a League Safety Officer and how to implement safety training in their Leagues. They will be given insight into how to inspect their facilities and make safety related corrections to it. They will also be provided information on what training they should implement for the managers/coaches so that the players are taught safety as well as baseball/softball.
4. **Chief Umpires Training** – This training shall be aimed at training the League Chief Umpire in his/her responsibilities. It shall give him/her information on how to recruit volunteers to umpire, training those volunteers, assigning umpires to games, and how to get the umpires involved at tournament time.
5. **Umpires Training for the League Umpires** – The District shall set up and conduct training classes for the umpires in all the Leagues in the District. These shall take two different forms. The first shall be classes held at each League at the request of the League Umpire in Chief to the District Umpire Consultant. The District shall put on whatever reasonable class the League shall request. The second shall be a District wide class put on by the District and all Leagues shall be invited. The District shall utilize the District Chief Umpires to teach this class.
6. **Managers/Coaches Training** – The District shall host a class/classes on how to teach youth the proper way to play baseball and/or softball. This training shall include both

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technical and psychological classes, when possible. Some of these classes may be done by having one League host a particular “guest speaker” and the rest of the District is invited by the District publicizing it.

7. **All Star Managers Training** – A meeting will be held in June to review the tournament rules and regulations and affidavit process. It is very important that all All Star managers from all the All Star teams from all the leagues need to be in attendance so all Managers know what is needed to ensure their players are eligible and what to expect as the tournament begins.
8. **Player Agents Training** – The District shall conduct a Player Agents Training class to familiarize the Player Agents in their job. This training shall be conducted before the beginning of each registration period for the Leagues. The training shall be at the District level and train the Player Agents in the complete year of their job.
9. **Scorekeepers Training** – The District shall conduct a Scorekeepers Class each year before the season starts to teach League scorekeepers in the basics of scorekeeping. This class shall be aimed primarily at the individual team scorekeepers so they may keep an “adequate” book for their team.

Other classes/training requested by the Leagues shall be conducted by the District. These can be held as a District wide training session or held as a League training session.

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