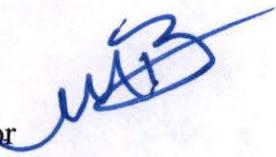


COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 17, 2025
TO: York County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mark L. Bellamy, Jr., County Administrator 
SUBJECT: Little League State Softball Tournament Feedback

Attached is an email the County received from Bob Sherrill, Virginia District 7 Administrator for Little League, commending the outstanding performance of County staff during the 2025 Virginia State Little League Softball Tournament held July 4–9 at the McReynolds Athletic Complex (MAC). His message highlights the professionalism and dedication of our Public Works and Parks and Recreation teams in managing both the tournament and several unexpected challenges, including a severe rainstorm and a bee infestation.

Mr. Sherrill specifically praised:

- The successful recovery of fields after heavy rainfall, allowing play to continue on schedule.
- The high quality and appearance of the MAC grounds and facilities.
- The concession team's responsiveness, friendliness, and efforts to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for players and families.

We are proud to share this feedback and appreciate the County staff's commitment to hosting this major event.

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Attachment:

- Email from Bob Sherrill, Virginia District 7 Administrator

From: vadistrict7@cox.net <vadistrict7@cox.net>

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2025 1:46 PM

To: Parks & Rec <parksandrec@yorkcounty.gov>

Cc: Ashworth, Scott <scott.ashworth@yorkcounty.gov>; Sherrill, Taylor <Taylor.Sherrill@yorkcounty.gov>

Subject: Little League State Softball Tournament Feedback

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To whom it may concern,

The McReynolds Athletic Complex (MAC) hosted our 2025 Virginia State Little League Softball tournament 4-9 July. This tournament is not your typical travel ball tournament where teams come in and play shortened games all weekend and that's it. These teams consisted of eight 9-11 year old and twelve 10-12 year old girl softball teams from 16 Little League districts in VA. The Championship teams of these tournaments will represent Virginia in the LL Regional Tournament. The Regional games are broadcasted on ESPN.

I'm explaining this to you so you may recognize the impact the experience at the MAC had on the overall Little League Inc. and the 20 VA teams. Some things I'd like to point out.

The MAC's performance was simply Outstanding in all aspects. We do a survey after every state tournament, and this feedback has only positive comments for the MAC and its employees. Many visitors expressed both verbally and, in the survey, how beautiful the complex is kept and just the overall venue. The teams from the grounds, fields, and concessions played such a vital role in the feedback. I'd like to point out a couple examples.

On Monday, approximately 6pm, we got hit with a freak downpour. $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in about a half hour. We had two games of "pool play" left that day that had to be played or we would have to move the tournament one whole day. This would've caused approximately 12 teams to stay a whole another day to see if they were advancing to the quarter finals. After the downpour, Judson did an assessment and said he thought he could get both fields ready by approximately 9:30. Many were skeptical, but yes, he and team did it and we played at 9:30. As many said, simply miraculous! Additionally, we played 10 full games on 3 fields a day with full dragging and lining between each game, sometimes a half hour in between, zero games started late.

Another situation I'd like to point out, the concessions team was fully onboard, making this a memorable experience for these teams and families. Concessions were open and stocked every day, and the personnel were friendly and accommodating. We had another freak event where there was an infestation of honeybees. It was just crazy, but because they are protected, the concession team voluntarily went around to trash cans and gathering points and washed down with water. We did have several folks get stung but could've been much more if it wasn't for the concessions team. Also, after our rain delay expressed above, Robbie offered to stay and manage the concessions until we finished at about midnight.

I just want to close by saying this was a great tournament primarily because of the efforts of the MAC team. You probably will notice that I'm Taylor's father, but my comments are not necessarily directed to him, but should be focused on the whole MAC team, class act. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Bob Sherrill

VA District 7 Administrator

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It's always for the kids!... Right?!!!

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