

### **Field Maintenance**

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# Game Day Setup

- 1. Drag field. Keep drag more than one foot away from grass. Drag from outfield grass to infield grass
- 2. Water field (3rd base dugout valve box) sufficiently to saturate lines
- 3. Paint lines for batters box (Do not spray paint template)





4. Paint foul lines



5. Place bases





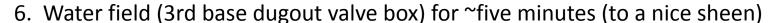
# Game Day/Practice Teardown

- 1. Drag field. Keep drag more than one foot away from grass. Drag from outfield grass to infield grass
- 2. Rake dirt adjacent grass, pushing away from grass
- 3. Level/repair batters box and pitchers mound











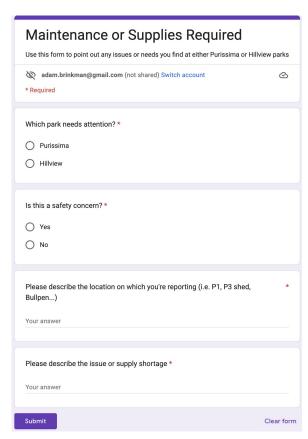


### Feedback

If you see something, say something (Google Form):



- Supply shortages
- Maintenance required
- Upgrade suggestions
- etc





#### Sheds

- Sheds should be kept clean and organized, bases, field equipment should be put away properly and not just thrown in the door.
- Empty field paint cans and boxes should be thrown in the trash and or recycling containers. Please DO NOT put paint cans in your gear bag as the can leak and ruin the bag and equipment.
- All trash in sheds should be thrown away.
- Sheds need to be locked. It's a good habit to scramble the combo right after opening the lock.



# **Batting Cages**

- No food, no drink, no seeds in the cage.
- All balls should be picked up and put in baskets. There should not be a ball inside the chain link fences that has not been picked up. This includes balls on the outside of the netting around the perimeter and on the netting roof.
- All balls should be put into the ball basket and covered.
- All machines should be placed with both wheels on top of each other (vertical not horizontal) and properly covered.
- All trash should be picked up and thrown away.
- All doors to the cages should be locked.



#### Rain

- During or after heavy rains some fields may be closed.
  - Almond drains well and rarely will be closed by the School District.
  - Purissima and Hillview do not drain as well and will be closed more often by our League.
  - Saturated fields may be closed even after the sun comes out.
- Check our LALL home page (<u>www.losaltoslittleleague.com</u>) for the latest updates on field closures
- If fields are open, it is up to you as coaches to decide whether to practice or play. Use common sense for player safety and to avoid damaging the fields.



# Purissima Good Neighbor Policy

#### Horses

- A multi-use trail runs behind the home run fences at Purissima.
- If you see or horse during practices or games, stop all activities until the horse passes.
- Umpires will stop games in most cases but help our youth umps.