

To: Ranae Seykora, Superintendent
From: Mel Buckholtz, Community Ed
Re: Increase Umpire Payment
Date: May 20, 2026

With the increase in student participation in Little League Baseball, we have a need for more umpires due to more teams and home games. This increase coincides with the MSHSL suggesting not having sixth grade students participate in Junior High events. In order to be competitive with baseball in the surrounding areas I am proposing an increase in the fee we pay our umpires.

Currently we pay \$24 per hour with a maximum of 3 hours, this comes out to \$36 per game. I would like to increase this to \$28 per hour with a maximum of 3 hours, this comes out to \$42 per game. It will increase the cost of Little League umpires by \$132 for the season.