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# Sports Complex to Host Little League Sectional Tourney

Little League Baseball Action is in full swing this weekend at the Bob Forrest Youth Sports Complex in Carlsbad.

Sports Superintendent John Lowe said that the complex will host four different age brackets of the New Mexico State Little League All Star Championship Sectionals this weekend – 10-year-olds, 11-year-olds, 12-year-olds and the Junior League (13 and 14).

“I’ve never heard of four age divisions being in the same town at one time,” Lowe said about the upcoming Little League event. “This is really neat.”

The three younger age brackets will each include 5 teams, while the Junior League will feature 3. The top two teams in each bracket will advance to the New Mexico Little League All Star Championships in Albuquerque the following week. The double elimination format means each age bracket will end when one team has a single loss and another team is unbeaten.

Games begin at 6 p.m. Friday night and will continue through Sunday morning until there are only two teams left in each bracket. Teams from as far away as Taos and Belen are participating.

Features at the park, including the splash pad and golf cart rides from the parking lot to the complex’s 13 baseball fields, will be in place throughout the weekend. Carlsbad Shorthorn teams will represent the Cavern City in the 10-year-old, 11-year-old and 12-year-old brackets. All three teams will begin play at 6 p.m. Saturday. Carlsbad’s Junior League’s first game will be at 7 p.m. Saturday.

It’s the second straight weekend with major activity at the Bob Forrest Youth Sports Complex; The Complex hosted a 67-team USSSA softball divisional tournament last week.

Carlsbad Little League baseball begins every spring. All Star selections are made each June. A district tournament is held to determine who advances to sectionals.