

OPBA Baseball Division Summary (REV 2023)

T-Ball Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys and girls (Co-Ed division) ages 4 through 5 (typically pre-K).

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Are to be held one half hour prior to game times as scheduled

Games: Each team will have one game per week, typically played on Saturday mornings and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Two full innings will be played, all at bats will be taken from a tee, outs will not be recorded and all runners will remain on base. A full inning will consist of both teams each batting around their lineups once. AVG playing time per game is 1hr and 15mins.

Objective: The goal of our T-Ball division is for each player to have fun while being introduced to the basic fundamentals of the game (Fielding, hitting and throwing).

Baseball Instructional Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys ages 6 and 7 as of April 30th of current year (typically K-1st grade).

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encouraged once per week but at the coach's discretion and availability.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Three full innings will be played, the first inning of each game throughout the entire year will be taken from a tee and all other at bats will be "coach pitch". Once a player has reached the maximum allowed pitches by a coach (5 pitches), the tee will be set up and the player will take they're at bat from the tee. Outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of both teams each batting around their lineups once and the three-out rule to end an inning is NOT in effect for this division. AVG playing time

per game is 1hr and 45mins.

Objective: is to have fun, while expanding on the fundamentals of baseball (Fielding, hitting and throwing) with an emphasis on the rules of the game.

Baseball Jr. PeeWee Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys age 8 as of April 30 of current year.

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encourage twice per week prior to season starting and once or twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Five full innings will be played with "player pitch" starting each at bat. After four called "Balls" the count carries over and there will be "coach pitch". The three-strike rule is in effect during every at bat, outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of each team following the three-out rule.

Objective: is still to have fun, while expanding on the fundamentals of baseball (Fielding, hitting and throwing), comprehension of rules and introducing team concepts (Cut-offs, rundowns, pitch count, etc.). Score and standings are kept. There are NOT playoffs for this division.

Baseball PeeWee Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys ages 9 & 10 as of April 30th of current year.

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed by draft after an individual player assessment

Practices: Encourage two-three per week prior to season starting and twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have two to three games per week, with games during the week and weekends.

Objective: is to have fun, while refining the fundamentals of baseball (Fielding, hitting and throwing) and introducing individual contributions (Bunting, etc.) and team concepts (Cut-offs, rundowns, stealing,

etc.). Score and standings are kept, a single elimination league playoff is held.

Baseball Midget Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys ages 11 & 12 as of April 30th of current year.

Cost: Registration fee is \$160(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$100!

Placement: Teams are formed by draft after an individual player assessment

Practices: Encourage two-three per week prior to season starting and twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have two to three games per week, with games during the week and weekends.

Objective: is to have fun, to provide an intermediate step between the smaller division and full-size fields. Games take place on a diamond containing 70 ft. bases and a 50-ft. pitching plate. All of the skills learned on the smaller field are retaught for the larger diamond, while introducing lead-offs, throwing from the stretch, etc. Score and standings are kept, a single elimination league playoff is held. The Spring Season usually involves local community teams from the northern Chicago and suburban areas. These consist of community 'house-league' level of teams with a few community travel players sprinkled in. Starting in late April, the regular season concludes in early June, followed by a championship tournament that runs into mid/late June.

Baseball Pony Division:

Ages: This division is available to boys ages 13, 14 and some 15 as of April 30th of current year (7th,8th and Freshman- not on high school team).

Cost: Registration fee is \$160(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$100!

Placement: Teams are formed by draft after an individual player assessment

Practices: Encourage two-three per week prior to season starting and twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have two to three games per week, with games during the week and weekends.

Objective: The Pony division is primarily for kids that are in 7th/8th grade. High School Freshmen who are NOT playing on a High School Baseball team, a Colt League Team, or apart of any other Baseball organization are eligible to play. However, 9th graders are highly encouraged to play at the

Colt League level. The Spring Season usually involves local community teams from the northern Chicago and suburban areas. These consist of community 'house-league' level of teams with a few community travel players sprinkled in. Starting in late April, the regular season concludes in early June, followed by a championship tournament that runs into mid/late June.

NSYBA: The North Suburban Youth Baseball Association is a baseball association with multiple seasons at various age groups. Originally established in the late 90's as a Pony League, the league was formed to encourage inter-league play under one set of unified rules. In 2016, the NSYBA presents itself to be a house league for all levels of play, as it is a requirement for all participating teams and communities to have open registration. We are an 'everybody plays' league.

OPBA Softball Division Summary

Softball Instructional Division:

Ages: This division is available to girls in 1st and 2nd grade

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encouraged once per week but at the coach's discretion and availability.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Three full innings will be played, the first inning of each game throughout the entire year will be taken from a tee and all other at bats will be "coach pitch". Once a player has reached the maximum allowed pitches by a coach (5 pitches), the tee will be set up and the player will take their at bat from the tee. Outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of both teams each batting around their lineups once and the three-out rule to end an inning is NOT in effect for this division. AVG playing time per game is 1hr and 45mins.

Objective: is to have fun, while expanding on the fundamentals of softball (Fielding, hitting and throwing) with an emphasis on the rules of the game.

Softball (Girls) Jr. PeeWee Division:

Ages: This division is for players in 2nd grade

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encourage twice per week prior to season starting and once or twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Five full innings will be played with "player pitch" starting each at bat. After four called "Balls" the count carries over and there will be "coach pitch". The three-strike rule is in effect during every at bat, outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of each team following the three-out rule.

Objective: is still to have fun, while expanding on the fundamentals of softball (Fielding, hitting and throwing), comprehension of rules and introducing team concepts (Cut-offs, rundowns, pitch count, etc). Score and standings are kept. There are NOT playoffs for this division.

Softball Girls 10U Division (Juniors)

Ages: This division is available to girls in 3rd and 4th grade.

Cost: Registration fee is \$150(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$90!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encourage two-three times per week prior to season starting and once or twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Six full innings will be played and the three-strike rule is in effect during every at bat, outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of each team following the three-out rule.

Objective: is to have fun, while refining the fundamentals of softball (Fielding, hitting and throwing) and introducing individual contributions (Bunting, etc) and team concepts (Cut-offs, rundowns, etc). Score and standings are kept and a single elimination league playoff is held.

Softball Girls 12U Division: (Minors)

Ages: This division is available to girls in 5th and 6th grade.

Cost: Registration fee is \$160(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$100!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encourage two-three times per week prior to season starting and once or twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have one to two games per week. Some games will be played on Saturdays and could be played at either Olympia Park or Oriole Park as scheduled. Six full innings will be played and the three-strike rule is in effect during every at bat, outs will be recorded and players removed from the bases accordingly. A full inning will consist of each team following the three-out rule.

Objective: is to have fun, to provide an intermediate step between the smaller division and full-size fields. Games take place on a diamond containing 60 ft. bases and a 40' pitching plate. All of the skills learned on the smaller field are retaught for the larger diamond, while introducing stealing, "slapping", etc. Score and standings are kept, a single elimination league playoff is held. The Spring Season usually involves local community teams from the northern Chicago and suburban areas. These consist of community 'house-league' level of teams with a few community travel players sprinkled in. Starting in late April, the regular season concludes in June, followed by a championship tournament that runs into mid/late June or early July depending on league size.

Softball Girls 14U Division (Majors)

Ages: This division is available to girls in 5th and 6th grade.

Cost: Registration fee is \$160(before Jan 1st) /After raffle tickets: YOUR PRICE IS: \$100!

Placement: Teams are formed mostly by school and requests to play with specific players and or coaches will be accommodated as best as possible.

Practices: Encourage two-three times per week prior to season starting and once or twice per week held throughout the season at your manager's discretion.

Games: Each team will have two to three games per week, with games during the week and weekends.

Objective: The 14U division is primarily for kids that are in 7th/8th grade. The Spring Season usually involves local community teams from the northern Chicago and suburban areas. These consist of

community 'house-league' level of teams with a few community travel players sprinkled in. Starting in late April, the regular season concludes in June, followed by a championship tournament that runs into mid/late June or early July depending on league size.

Crosstown League: The Crosstown league is an association assembled by various towns located on the Northwest side of Chicago and surrounding suburbs that allow for competitive play