



T-Ball

Grade at registration – 4K, K, 1st, (1st graders may opt to play up to U8 Coach Pitch, and are encouraged to do so if they've played before)

**Teams announced at the end of April/early May. All coaches are volunteer.*

Goal: At this level, our goal is to provide a fun and valuable introduction to the game of softball. Focuses should be on teaching the kids the basics of base running, positions, hitting, throwing, and general knowledge of the game.

Season: End of May through July. Coaches may opt for a few additional practices at the teams discretion and field availability.

Field Location: Legion Park, Brooklyn (location subject to change based on field availability)

Coaches: Parent coach from roster of players (some training/help provided if needed)

** Lots of help from parents is welcome and encouraged at this level!*

Equipment needed:

- Glove
- Helmet (Bike Helmet allowed)
- Tennis shoes / softball or soccer cleats allowed

Equipment Provided:

- Bats, extra helmets, and 10" softie softball(s)

Game length: 55 minutes

Hitting: A tee is provided for hitting. A coach has the option to pitch to a player if they'd like, but 3 pitches only, if no hit, then hit off the tee to help keep the flow of the game going.

Rules:

- Helmet is *required* to bat and run the bases
- Both teams bat around each inning, with the last batter hitting a 'home run' to clear the bases.
- Batter can take extra bases if the ball clears the infield
- All batters may run the bases each time if they want, (even if an out is made)
- New line up each inning.

Fielding: players shouldn't play the outfield two innings in a row if possible, rotate positions each inning.

**Coaches are allowed on the field for defensive assistance and coaching*