



# YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL PROGRAMS INFORMATION

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **When will I know my team/coach?** You should receive a call from your coach within 3 days after your scheduled Pre-Draft Evaluation. If you do not, please call 334-348-2681.
- **What days are games?** Games are played on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays @ 5:30PM and 7:30PM. There are no more than 2 games a week.
- **Weather Cancellations:** Staff will make cancellation calls at 4:30p.m. the day of the game and no earlier. If games are cancelled, staff will notify all coaches via phone and coaches are responsible for notifying players. We will also post on our Facebook page (Enterprise Parks and Recreation) of cancellations. If you call the Rec center, we will not have an answer for you before 4:30p.m. and because of high call volume, your call may go to voicemail. The quickest way for information is to check Facebook or call your coach after 4:30p.m.
- **Where are games played?** Baseball is played at the Recreation Center Fields (by Moose Hope Gym) and Softball is played at the Recreation Complex Fields (at Johnny Henderson Park).
- **When and where are practices?** Your coach will be provided a set practice schedule. If you don't remember a practice date and time, please contact your coach first and then the Parks & Rec staff second at (334) 348-2681.
- **What is provided for my \$35.00?** We will provide a team shirt, a cap, and a participation certificate at the end of the season. The coach will pick the pant color that you will be responsible for providing. You will also need to provide your own shoes (must be plastic or rubber cleats), glove, bat, batting helmet, and any additional equipment.
- **What size balls are used?** All baseball teams use a standard baseball with the exception of t-ball, that uses soft touch balls. Softball: Sweetees use an 11" level 5, Darlings & Angels use an 11". Ponytails and Belles use a 12".
- **Are there organized team photos?** EPRD does not organize team photos. Generally, the coaches or a designated team parent will organize a photography studio to come out and do team and individual photos, then let each parent choose if they would like to purchase a packet. We do have contact information for several studios who will do sports photos at the Rec Center.
- **How long are the games?** Game times can vary. Typical times are as follows: **Baseball:** T-Ball: 1 hr.; CPTB & Coach Pitch: 1 hr. 15 mins; Minors & Youth: 1 hr. 30 mins; Boys: 1 hr. 45 mins. **Softball:** Sweetees & Darlings: 1 hr. 15 mins; Angels, Ponytails, Belles, & Debs: 1 hr. 30 mins.
- **Coaches?** The coaches are all volunteers from the community. They do not have to have a child on the team to coach. Coaches had to fill out and return an application to the Parks and Recreation's Athletic Department for approval. All approved coaches have to submit a background check and all have to be cleared. All coaches also have to complete an online Coaches Safety Certification per Alabama Law.
- **Can I get a refund?** Refunds may only be given under the circumstance in which EPRD staff have been notified by 5PM one (1) business day prior to the child's assigned pre-draft evaluation date.
- **Coed T-ball?** Girls who are 4 years old can register to play on the boys T-Ball team.
- **How long is the season?** The regular season typically lasts 7 to 8 weeks. This varies every year.
- **How does EPRD staff contact me?** We generally disseminate information through the coaches. We also contact using bulk email to an entire sports group or to a team. Please check your email regularly during the season.
- **Interested in coaching?:** We are always in need of volunteers to help coach our teams. Please do consider helping out! Coaching Applications can be picked up at the Recreation Center or downloaded [online](#).
- **Enterprise Parks and Recreation follows Dixie League rules and EPRD bylaws for all of our softball and baseball leagues.** Rules can be found on [www.dixie.org](http://www.dixie.org) and we do highly recommend that **all parents review and understand the Dixie Rules prior to their child's first game**. If you have any questions about the rules, please contact the Athletics Administrative Assistant at (334) 348-2681.

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