

JTLL 2011 T-Ball

Season:

- Practices can begin on April 1st, weather permitting.
- Games will begin on April 23rd, tentatively.

Practices:

- There will be 1 practice per week prior to the start of the games.
- Each team will practice on either Stanlick A (the grass field as you pull into Stanlick School)
- Practices should not last more than 1 hour. On weekdays, you cannot start before 6:00 PM.
- **Helmets must be worn by all batters and baserunners!**
- You are not allowed to soft toss and hit the ball against any fences.
- Make sure each child has a mitt and something to drink at each practice.

Games:

- Each game will be played on Stanlick A.
- **Helmets must be worn by all batters and baserunners.** No child can hold a bat until in batters box, must be handed to child by coach
- Bat up to 6 players in an inning. We will play 4-inning games, so each player should get up at least twice. Play all players in the field and everyone will be in the batting order. The maximum time per game will be 1 hours. Keep to the schedule.
- Every Child must hit off Tee, if a child continues to miss that ball. Please make several attempts to provide this child an opportunity to hit the ball. If child needs assistance, coach needs to help the child swing and hit the ball to keep the game moving.
- EVERY CHILD MUST PLAY EVERY POSITION THROUGH OUT THE YEAR. NO child will play the same position every game, must be moved around infield and out field.
- For hitting, child takes one base at a time, only the last batter will hit the ball and run around the bases for a home run.
- Bases should be 45 feet apart
- Do not keep score. Teach and play the kids in different positions and also **Good Sportsmanship.**
- During offense, kids must sit on bench until it is there time to hit.
- NO Sliding is permitted.

Safety and Tips:

- No one is allowed to hold or swing a bat or be in the batters cage except for the batter. Keep all of the bats in a designated area.
- The players are here to learn, but keep the practices as a fun, learning experience.
- Please use common sense where the weather is concerned. If there is a red flag posted on the field, you cannot play. If there is no red flag and it has rained, bring a rake and if possible, a gas blower to remove as much standing water as you can. If the field is soaked, don't even try to use it. As muddy as the infield will be, the outfield grass will be

just at slippery – Don't Play! As soon as I know of any cancellations due to the weather, I will call you.

- After each practice and game, please clean the field and bench areas of all garbage. Make sure all of the equipment is collected and the bases and tee returned to the box behind the backstop on Stanlick A.
- Keep your players together in the bench area when your team is batting. They shouldn't be running around. Keep them involved in the game. HAVE FUN!