



2025 SUMMER

SOFTBALL COACHES MEETING



JUNE 16, 2025 @ 6:00PM

SPOKANE
INDIANS
YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL™





INTRODUCTIONS

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- If you have any questions throughout the season, please feel free to reach out to Taylor.
- If you call and there is no answer, please leave a voicemail.



REACHING OUT TO YOUR TEAM

- rosters are released, and all families on the team have been emailed
- It also opened up access to your team page on Sports Connect
 - Log into your account
 - Click on “Volunteer” in left-hand-side menu
 - Click on the **Blue Team Name** that appears by your name
- You will be able to access contact information, email your team directly and view game schedules from your team page



TEAM INTRODUCTIONS

- Please reach out to your team to introduce yourself, share practice information, set expectations for what to bring to practice, and any additional information you would like to share
- Team culture starts with YOU - please ensure it is positive from the start



PRACTICE FIELDS

FIELD CONFIRMATION

- Fields are not available until SIYBS gets authorization
- Do not go on fields until you receive confirmation from SIYBS (if you are using an SIYBS field)



PRACTICE SCHEDULE

- 12u & 14u will practice Monday and Wednesday for the first week of the season. For all other weeks, 12u & 14u practice will be on Mondays.
- 10u will practice Tuesday and Thursday for the first week of the season. For all other weeks, 10u practice will be on Tuesdays.



CLEAN UP & SHARED FACILITIES

- Please take time to clean up the dugout and seating area after each practice and game
- Please be respectful of other groups using the same facilities for both practices and games



QUESTIONS ABOUT FIELDS

- To schedule a practice field or if you have any questions/issues come up, please email taylor@siyb.org





MAKEUP GAMES

MAKEUP GAME DEFINITION

- Any game that is not able to be started or completed 3 or more innings due to weather or the league sending a cancellation
- Click [HERE](#) for Heat Index Calculator
- Games would be cancelled for estimated 105 or above HEAT INDEX



RESCHEDULE FORM

- It is the responsibility of the coaches to agree to a make up date & time - plus a back up
- Once agreed upon, one coach must submit a reschedule request
- Click [HERE](#) for form (also listed on our website summer recreational page)



RESCHEDULE CONFIRMATION

- Once the softball coordinator has secured a field and submitted request to umpire association, the game will be updated on Sports Connect and teams will be emailed via Sports Connect
- The game is NOT confirmed unless you receive a schedule update from Sports Connect



REMINDER

- Friday and weekends are the best days for makeups due to field and umpire availability





GAME SCHEDULE

12U/14U

Wednesdays
(1 game per week)

10U

Thursdays
(1 game per week)

- 9 Total games
 - Games start week of June 30th
- Games start at 6:00pm
- Double Header & Picture Day
 - 12u/14u - Saturday, July 12th
 - 10u - Sunday, July 13th



CODE OF CONDUCT

ZERO TOLERANCE

SIYBS has a “Zero Tolerance” policy regarding inappropriate behavior. This policy will encompass all interactions during the course of the season.



1,2,3 POLICY

-This season, umpires will be enforcing a new 1,2,3 policy.

-During a game, any haggling, arguing, or other inappropriate behavior by a coach, fan, or player will result in a warning.

-The next time it happens, a final warning will begin

-If it happens a third time, the game will be called



COACHES RESPONSIBILITY

-Coaches are responsible for all their coaches, players, parents, and fans.

-If anyone on your bench or sideline is being inappropriate, it is your responsibility to remind them of the zero tolerance policy and shut it down



INCIDENT REPORTS

-If any incident does occur that is in need of the league investigating, please complete an incident report

-Click [HERE](#) to access the incident report or find it on the SIYBS Recreational website page

-Umpire incidents will be forwarded to SBU



BOB ROBERTSON SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

*To be awarded by the opposing team
to the player that most exemplifies
the following characteristics:*

- Abides by the rules of the game
- Play fair & hard
- Follow the directions of the coach
- Shows respect to the other team & their efforts
- Offers encouragement to teammates & is a leader
- Shows respect for the umpires judgment calls
- End the game smoothly - shows class in victory & defeat





BOB ROBERTSON SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- The award will be given out at home plate at the end of every game.
The goal is to end every game win a positive fashion & to give a player an opportunity to be recognized for outstanding behavior
- To best instill this within the players, this year we would like the players of your team to select the player on the other team that best deserves this award
 - Make a point of talking about what this award means with your team prior to the first game
 - This is NOT an MVP Award

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BOB ROBERTSON SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- At the end of the season, the player from each team with the most pins will be invited to a special Sportsmanship Recognition Night at a Spokane Indians Baseball game on **August 28th**
 - Players will receive two tickets to the game and \$10 Indians Bucks that can be spent on concessions
 - In the event of a tie, the coach will need to decide the player to send
 - Coach will need to fill out a form with the players contact information at the end of the season



GEAR PICKUP

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

JUNE 18TH & 20TH


3:00PM - 6:00PM

Pick up at SIYBS Storage
123 E Mission Ave. Spokane. WA 99202
(Next to Black Goat Fitness)

Each team receives:

- Gear Bag (Catcher's Gear, 5 Batting Helmets)
- Uniforms (Jersey, Visor, Pants)
- 1 Box of Game Softballs
- Sportsmanship Pins
- Lineup Cards
- Scorebook

RULES

	SPOKANE INDIANS YOUTH SOFTBALL MATRIX			
	DIVISION	10U REC	12U REC	14U REC
Playing Rules	Game Length	6 innings	7 innings	7 innings
	Game Time	No new after 1.5	No new after 1.5	No new after 1.5
	Innings Required	3 innings in the field	3 innings in the field	3 innings in the field
	# Players on Field	10	9	9
	# Players to Start a Game	8	8	8
	Run Rule to end game early	No	No	No
	5 Run per Inning Rule	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Umpires	Home Team provides 1 umpire	Yes	Yes
	Ball Size	11" Safety	12"	12"
Pitching	Pitching Distance	35'	40'	43'
	Innings Pitched Limit	Player: 1, 3, 5 & all extra	No	No
	Pitching Style	Modified/Fastpitch	Modified/Fastpitch	Modified/Fastpitch
	Pitches per Batter	7 (when coach pitching)	N/A	N/A
	Base on Balls/Hit by Pitch (walk)	No	Yes	Yes
Batting & Running	Batting Order	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous
	Helmets Face Guard	No	Yes	Yes
	Metal Cleats	No	No	Yes
	Stealing	No	Yes, ball crosses plate	Yes, ball leaves hand
	Leading Off	No	Yes, ball crosses plate	Yes, ball leaves hand
	Base Length	60'	60'	60'
	Steal Home on Passed Catcher Ball	No	No	Yes
	Dropped 3rd Strike	No- Batter Out, Strikeout	Yes-In effect	Yes-In effect
	Bunting	Only when player pitching	Yes	Yes
	Infield Fly Rule	No	No	Yes



REMINDERS

SIYBS GROUP NIGHT AT SPOKANE INDIANS

June 22nd

- Discount tickets for SIYBS families to attend Spokane Indians Baseball Games
- Access discounted rates [HERE](#) - also to be emailed out and shared on our website



THANK YOU FOR COACHING!!!

“ONE COACH WILL IMPACT MORE
YOUNG LIVES IN A SEASON, THAN AN
AVERAGE PERSON IN A LIFETIME”

—BILLY GRAHAM

Social Media

Facebook: **SpokaneIndiansYouthBaseball**

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