



SPOKANE
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YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL™

SPRING **BASEBALL**

2026 Spring 10u-12u Baseball
Coach Resource Slides

BASEBALL COORDINATOR

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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.





THE WHY

- At Spokane Indians Youth Baseball, our goal is simple: give every player a place to **learn, grow, and love the game.**
- As a coach, you're shaping more than players — you're **building character, confidence, and teamwork**
- Winning is fun, but **development comes first** — skills, effort, and sportsmanship are what last.
- You're helping kids create **lifelong memories** and **lessons they'll carry far beyond the field.**

REACHING OUT TO YOUR TEAM

- Now that rosters are released, everyone on the team has 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 and email your team directly from your team page



TEAM INTRODUCTIONS



- Please reach out to your team to introduce yourself, 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

***The code to all SIYBS Porta Potties is 1966,
please always relock them after
practice/games***

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 Schedules

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

Cleaning & Sharing 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 complete a minimum of 3 or more innings due to weather or the league sending a cancellation

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 spring program page)

Reschedule Confirmation

- Once the baseball coordinator has secured a field, 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



10u

Wednesday Games
1 game per week

12u

Thursday Games
1 game per week

- 9 Total Games
 - Games start week of April 20th
- All games will start at 6:00pm
- Weekend Double Header & Picture Day
 - 10u - Saturday, April 25th
 - 12u - Sunday, April 26th

FLEX SCHEDULES

- Flex Schedules help SIYBS promote the best playing environment possible
- Coaches will report their scores in Sports Connect for the first 5 games of the season to produce standings
- Based on standings, your team's final 3 games will be matched against similarly ranked teams
- The goal is for teams to play against like skilled teams to challenge those that need to be challenged more, and allow for more development where it is needed



REPORTING SCORES



- Login to your Sports Connect Account
- Once logged in, click volunteer on the left side of the screen
- Find your name
- Under your name, click Visit Team Page
- Once on team page, click Calendar
- Once on calendar, click RESULTS
- Once Results load, select the game and edit the score
- ONLY THE HOME TEAM CAN ENTER SCORES
- If the home coach does not report the score within 48 hours of the game, the away coach can email their scores to taylor@siyb.org and the baseball coordinator will update

UMPIRES

**THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF UMPIRES AND SPORT OFFICIALS
AROUND THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING SPOKANE**

- There is a strong likelihood that we will be short an umpire for some of your games during this season
- You will be notified via email by 3:00pm on games days if an umpire is not confirmed for your game
- To help create as little disruption with this as possible, we ask that you each have one parent on your teams willing and ready to step in as an umpire if needed
- We will reimburse volunteer umpires \$60 a game, for reimbursement please fill out the form [**HERE**](#)



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.

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

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

BOB ROBERTSON SPORTSMANSHIP

The Bob Robertson Sportsmanship Award was created to recognize and celebrate all the little moment of great sportsmanship throughout each game. A Bob Robertson Sportsmanship winner:

- 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

How it Works:

- After each game, players choose a member of the opposing team to receive the award
- Pins will be exchanged at home plate prior to the end of game handshake
- Players keep the pins they earn during Spring season
- After the Spring season ends, coaches provide SIYBS the name of their player who received the most pins
- That player will receive two complimentary tickets to the **Sportsmanship Recognition Night with the Spokane Indians on July 21, 2026.**

This is not an MVP award



GEAR PICKUP

Wednesday & Thursday

April 1st & 2nd

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, Hat, Pants, Belt)
- 1 Box of Game Baseballs
- Lineup Cards
- Scorebook
- Bob Robertson Sportsmanship Pins



RULES

Special Rules	10u	12u	15u
Innings	6	7	7
Lead Off Allowed	no	no	yes
Uncaught 3rd Strike	no	yes	yes
Stealing Allowed	no	no	yes
Stealing Once Ball Crosses Home Plate	no	yes	n/a
Can Advance on Passed Ball by Catcher/Pitcher	no	yes	yes
Can Score on Passed Ball by Catcher/Pitcher	no	no	yes
Inning Run Limits (must switch)	5	7	n/a

RULES

- Mercy Rule: 10 runs after 3.5 or 4 innings
- Must bat entire lineup - Every player must play AT LEAST 3 innings in the field
- Headfirst slides are permitted at all age levels except at home plate
 - Penalty for headfirst slide at home = Runner out
- To view the SIYBS handbook/Rulebook for an in depth look at rules/policies/procedures, please click [HERE](#)
- Base & Pitching Distance
 - 9U/10U: Base Length - 60ft, Pitching Distance - 46ft(no mounds)
 - 12U: Base Length - 70ft, Pitching Distance - 50ft (mounds)
 - 15U: Base Length - 80ft, Pitching Distance - 56ft (mounds)
- Pitching - to view the MLB Smart Pitch Guidelines, please click [HERE](#)
 - Keeping track of pitches for each player will be the coach's responsibility

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**THANK YOU
FOR COACHING!**

"All kids need is a little **help**, a little **hope**,
and **somebody who believes in them**"

Magic Johnson

