



SPOKANE
INDIANS
YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL™

SPRING **T-BALL &** **COACH PITCH**

2026 Spring 6u-8u
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

- **6u** will practice Monday and Wednesday for the first week of the season. For all other weeks, practice will be on Mondays.
- **8u** 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



6u

Wednesday Games
1 game per week

8u

Thursday Games
1 game per week

- 8 Total Games
 - Games start week of April 20th
- All games will start at 6:00pm
- Weekend Game & Picture Day
 - 6u – Saturday, April 25th
 - 8u – Sunday, April 26th

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)
- 1 Box of Game Baseballs
- Bob Robertson Sportsmanship Pins



RULES

SIYBS Coach Pitch and T-Ball Rules		
<u>Playing Rules</u>	<u>6U</u>	<u>8U</u>
Game Length	Up to 4 innings	Up to 6 innings
Game Time	1:15	1:30
Bat Through Entire Lineup	Yes	If other team doesn't get 3 outs
Inning Over After 3 Outs	No	Yes
Max. number of defensive players on field	12 (6 in the outfield)	10 (4 in outfield)
Overthrows Out of Play	No	Awarded 1 Base

SIYBS Coach Pitch and T-Ball Rules		
<u>Playing Rules</u>	<u>6U</u>	<u>8U</u>
Walks/Strikouts	Awarded first after 7 pitches	Out after 7 pitches
"Homerun" Batter	Last in Lineup runs around the bases and scores	If they hit it far enough
Pitching Distance	35ft	35ft
Lead Off/Stealing	No	No
Base Length	50	50

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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

