

# **Summer Softball Programs**

Summer programs run from mid June - late July. Summer program age groupings for competitive travel teams are based on USA Softball age designation rules (calendar based vs grade level based). A player's softball age for the calendar year is based on her age on January 1 of that year.

## **Grades rising K-2: Summer Sandlot**

**Program description:** Softball Sandlot is a fun, mixed age program meant to provide our younger and more inexperienced players with an opportunity to advance their skills during the fall. There are fun skills-and-drills activities as well as coach pitch scrimmages amongst the players.

**Sessions**: 1 or 2 weeknight sessions each week, pending availability of coaches. **Equipment Needed:** A glove, bat, and helmet are needed. Balls will be provided. If the child doesn't have a helmet or bat, these can be loaned to you for the season.

## **8U Travel softball (USA Softball ages 7-8)**

**Program description:** The 8U softball team will play in the Twin Valley Girls Softball league. This is a good introduction to competitive softball. A 10" soft safety softball is used and games are played on a standard softball diamond infield.

**Sessions**: 1 game each week, typically on Thursday nights plus 1 practice per week. **Equipment Needed**: A glove, bat, and helmet are needed. Balls will be provided. If the child doesn't have a helmet or bat, these can be loaned to you for the season.

# 10U Travel softball (USA Softball ages 9-10)

**Program description:** The 10U softball team will play in the competive Twin Valley Girls Softball league. A hard 11" softball is used. If registration numbers permit, an A level and B level team will be created.

**Sessions:** Two games per week on Monday and Wednesday nights in Ashland or nearby towns. Typically, one practice each week.

**Equipment Needed:** A glove, bat, and helmet (with facemask) are needed. Bats and helmets will be provided for those who don't have them. Fielding masks are required for pitchers and encouraged for all other positions.

## 12U Travel softball (USA Softball ages 11-12)

**Program description:** The 12U softball team will play in the competive Twin Valley Girls Softball league. A hard 12" softball is used. If registration numbers permit, an A level and B level team will be created.

**Sessions:** Two games per week on Tuesday and Thursday nights in Ashland or nearby towns. Typically, one practice each week.

**Equipment Needed:** A glove, bat, and helmet (with facemask) are needed. Bats and helmets will be provided for those who don't have them. Fielding masks are required for pitchers and encouraged for all other positions.

# 14U Travel softball (USA Softball ages 13-14)

**Program description:** The 14U softball team will play in the competive Twin Valley Girls Softball league. A hard 12" softball is used. If registration numbers permit, an A level and B level team will be created.

**Sessions:** Two games per week on Monday and Wednesday nights in Ashland or nearby towns. Typically, one practice each week.

**Equipment Needed:** A glove, bat, and helmet (with facemask) are needed. Bats and helmets will be provided for those who don't have them. Fielding masks are required for pitchers and encouraged for all other positions.