## 2019 GIRLS ONLY T-Ball PYBL Rules

Long pants must be worn, no shorts or metal cleats. Tennis shoes or rubber soled cleats only. Entire team will have matching shirts and pants. Visors will be provided but not required.

Distance between bases is 60 feet. Pitching rubber/circle to be set at 35ft so they are familiar with the distances

Home team on College Community diamonds is responsible for chalking the field before a game and raking baseline and pitcher mound after the game. Home team will sit in the 3rd base side dugout.

Game time is 6:00pm and have a 1 hour time limit. No official score will be kept.

A complete game is 3 innings.

The ball will be hit off the tee and it must travel at least 3ft from the tee or it is reset. No strikeouts, walks or stealing. If an out is made, the runner will return to the dugout.

A batting helmet must always be worn by the batter, by the runners, and by the on-deck batter. The on-deck batter must remain in the designated circle/area until it's his/her turn to go to the batter's box.

An inning will consist of each team batting though the entire line-up. Each half inning is over when the last batter rounds all the bases and touches home plate.

Coaches need to place emphasis on batters keeping control of the bat. Being catcher can become very dangerous when a bat is thrown. Please make sure that catchers are wearing equipment provided and have them set-up far enough behind home plate to insure they play the position safely. Catcher must at least be wearing a catcher's helmet.

There will be no bunting or leading off. Runner's foot must be on the base at all times till the ball is hit.

All players will play in the field. Extra players will be placed in the outfield with no more than 6 infielders. All players must try every position once throughout the season.

All spectators and players not playing must remain behind the fence. There is to be no sideline/fence coaching. Coaches are to coach their team. There can be up to 4 coaches in the field when the team is playing defense. ALL Coaches and parent helpers MUST have COMPLETED a full background check PRIOR TO BEING BEHIND THE FENCE or IN THE DUGOUT. Focus should be on keeping the players attention to insure they play safely.

1 base on an over throw and then the play ends. This will be a "once per at bat" allowance. So, if, for example, the ball is hit to the pitcher and he over throws first base, the runner can overtake first base and be sent to second, and the play ends. If however he over throws it, and another player over throws it again past second base, it's still a one base on over throw and that child does NOT advance for a second overthrow.

This is T-ball so there should not be any disagreeing by coaches on rules or close calls. The only official rule is to insure that the players have fun. The coaches are asked to conduct themselves in accordance with PYBL Coach/Parent/Player/Code of Conduct.

Coaches may be ejected from the game by a PYBL representative for conduct not in accordance with the PYBL Coach/Parent/Player Code of Conduct. If a coach is ejected from a T-ball game, they are suspended for the next game and could be removed from their current coaching position. It could also impact future coaching opportunities. A PYBL representative has the right to eject a coach for behavior that is not in accordance with the PYBL Coach/Parent/Player Code of Conduct.

Anyone, including coaches, players and spectators, using foul language will be asked to leave the game. Let's always remember why we are out at the ballpark. If it weren't for the players we would not be there, so let's put them first!!

T-Ball games will be played by regular baseball rules except for PYBL rule exceptions.

We decided that as a league, we are requiring all coaches, assistant coaches and "helpers" to pass a background check. Basically **anyone** who will be on the field or in the dugout with the kids MUST pass a background check before league play begins or they don't coach/assist/volunteer. This will include Ely and Walford teams as well. IF you'd like to use the same system we use, we are willing to pay for individual background checks. You are welcome to use your own, however, you need to supply me with a copy of those background checks or some kind of verification that they've passed a background check before they're allowed on the field.

We are asking for each team to have one parent also attend the bench for T-Ball and Single A during their at bat time. There has been an issue in the past where they were left without specific supervision and they need that supervision to keep them seated, or cheering, but still at/on their bench for safety purposes.