

T-Ball Rules (Pre-K and K) **Osceola Youth Baseball/Softball**

All T-Ball games will be 6:30-8:00 through the season except for Picture Week
Please review the schedule online at www.osceolayouthbaseball.com

- Practice is required for the first 15 minutes, each game night (6:30-6:45)
- No inning should begin after 7:50
- Games will be played on Fields 3, 4 or 5 at OES
- First team listed on the schedule is home team and should provide game ball

Equipment:

- OYB sponsored T-shirts
- Rubber soled shoes or rubber spikes only
- Helmets must be worn by all players on team batting and the pitcher and catcher on defense
- Acceptable for players to bring own bat and helmet and use during practice/games

Positions:

- No player should play the same position for more than 2 innings during a game
 - Exception is if player has physical restriction or other condition but should be discussed with opposing coach
- All players should play multiple positions throughout the season to gain experience
- Assign the players specific positions
 - Infield must play within 3 feet of the baseline
 - Outfield must play on the outfield grass – **NOT** in the infield

Base running:

- No advancing on overthrows
- No leading off or stealing bases
- Sliding is required on close plays for safety reasons
- Plays at home - if catcher catches ball and touches tee, runner is out

Scoring/Outs

- Team at bat will be deemed out after all batters in the lineup have hit during the inning
OR if defensive team successfully get 3 outs

Other information:

- Coaches – establish a half circle ~5 feet in front of home plate – if ball being hit doesn't go past, let the batter hit again
- Throwing of helmets and/or bats is not acceptable – first violation is warning, next time may be an automatic out (coaches discretion)
- Coaches must **NOT** leave children unattended after a game until parents pick them up –
NO EXCEPTIONS
- If issues arise, resolve and act like adults – if unable to resolve seek a board member for resolution