



Edgewood Athletic Association Instructional Pee-Wee Baseball Rules (Updated Jan 2019)

The Instructional Pee-Wee League is for boys/girls ages 4 and 5 as of August 1st of the current year. The “Name of the Game” of the Instructional Pee-Wee League is to have fun and to keep these kids coming back for years to come!!! The fundamentals of the sport will be introduced to all players with an emphasis on skill development and sportsmanship.

Fundamental/Performance Goals:

1. Safety Is Always First!!!
 - All batters and base runners must wear a batting helmet
 - Unless you are at the plate, no bat should be handled (no on-deck circle)
 - Throwing of the bat needs to be addressed with the player. The first thrown bat per player per game will be declared a “warning”; each subsequent thrown bat by a “warned” player will result in removal of player for that at bat.
2. Sportsmanship & Teamwork
 - Responsibilities and sportsmanship of a team member towards his/her coach
 - Responsibilities and sportsmanship of a team member towards his/her teammates
 - Responsibilities and sportsmanship of a team member towards game day umpires/opponents
3. Knowledge Of Field Of Play
 - Areas/parts of a baseball diamond (infield, outfield, dugout, batter’s box, etc.)
 - Defense: Positions played in a game (attempt for each player to play all positions)
 - Offense: Where to stand in the batter’s box and what is the strike zone
 - Offense: Bases and how to run the bases
4. Knowledge Of Equipment Used & How It Is Used
 - Baseball/Softball: Proper throwing technique
 - Glove/Mitt: How should it be put on and proper fielding technique
 - Bat: How should it be held and proper swinging technique
 - Pitcher & Catcher Safety Equipment: Why and how it should be worn

Practices & Game Day Rules

1. Teams may have one (1) practice per week for one (1) hour. **NO SUNDAY PRACTICES ALLOWED.**
2. The more “helpers” a team can have for practices and games the better. Each parent helping with a team will need to submit the necessary information to Edgewood Athletic Association (EAA) for a background check. All volunteers at EAA will be required to receive a background check yearly.
3. Teams will have one (1) game per week consisting of three (3) innings or one (1) hour, whichever comes first
4. The second team listed on the schedule is considered the HOME team and will be in the 3rd base dugout
5. All players on a team’s roster will be placed in the batting line-up and will bat each inning. No outs will be made and no score shall be kept at any time. As this is an instructional league it is always encouraged for players to throw a fielded ball to the appropriate base, even if there is no chance to get the base runner “out”
6. Offensive Game Rules:
 - All batters and base runners must wear a batting helmet
 - Each batter will receive five (5) pitches from a coach to hit the ball
 - Should a player not be able to make connection with a pitch, a tee is brought to the plate.
 - All players will bat each inning and advance one (1) base at a time through the entire batting order
 - No lead offs or base stealing will be permitted and runners may not leave the base until the ball is struck

- The last batter of each inning (rotate this player) and the remaining runners on base will be allowed to run around all of the bases until fully cleared to end the inning
7. Defensive Game Rules:
- Players should be positioned at each infield location (P, C, 1B, 2B, SS, and 3B).
 - All other players should be positioned evenly in the “outfield” area
 - Pitchers and catchers must wear the provided safety equipment
 - Defensive “pitcher” should be positioned no closer than the coach pitch location
 - No player should play the same position for more than ONE inning
8. It is the responsibility of the coach to appoint a team parent to pick up treat tickets from the concession stand PRIOR to each game. Each player after the game should be required to pick up a piece of trash, throw it away, and then they will receive a treat ticket to use at the Concession Stand (one (1) ticket per game per player and the player must be in their uniform to use the treat ticket)