

GRANADA HILLS LITTLE LEAGUE

Tee Ball Division

Objective of our T- Ball Program

The Tee Ball program is the first step for our children to experience the game of baseball. It is the responsibility of the coaches to work with the players to develop their individual skills and to make Tee Ball a fun learning experience. If the player wants to return to play next season you have done a great job!

Performance Goals

- Players will be able to identify the parts of the baseball diamond
- Players will be able to identify the positions played in the game
- Players will be able to identify the equipment used in baseball
- Players will be taught how to assume a proper position in the batter's box

Safety

- Safety is always first
- No throwing the bat.
- Catchers must wear full gear and a coach must be present with the catcher.

Layout of the Tee Ball field

- Field marking chalk is to be used for all of the following detail lines.
- A 10-foot arc will score from the back corner of home plate.
- Add a small slash between 1st & 2nd – 2nd & 3rd – 3rd - & home
- Define a pitcher's circle by marking it with a circle.
- Chalk lines on the first base side & third base side.

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Prior to the game

- Players will stand up the lines for the Pledge of Allegiance & Little League Pledge.

Start of the game

- Time limit for Tee Ball is 1 hour.
- No score is kept in Tee Ball.
- Each team will supply 1 new ball to start the game.
- The home team will provide the tee stand.
- The home team will sit on the 3rd base dugout & the visitors on the 1st base dugout.

Players & Positions

- A minimum of 6 players must be present to play a game. If one team has more players the Manager can lend players to the short-handed team.
- On defense, the players will be positioned at 1B, 2B, 3B, SS, Pitcher, & Catcher. All other players will be positioned evenly in the outfield area. No player is to play the same position for more than two innings.
- All players present will be placed in the batting order and will bat in the order listed.
- Each team will bat their entire line-up.

Play of the game

- Each batter will get 5 tries to hit the ball off the tee. If the player does not hit the ball after 5 tries the coach will assist the batter to strike the ball from the tee.
- **There are no strike outs in Tee-Ball @ GHLL.**
- The ball must travel beyond the arc or it will be considered a foul ball.
- The play will be considered over when the ball is returned to a player at the pitcher's mound
- The players will attempt to throw the ball overhand to make an out. Do not instruct your players to roll the ball to each other.

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- Batters are allowed one base on a hit. During the second half of the season batters who hit the ball to the outfield are allowed to take an extra base.
- Base stealing is not permitted.
- The pitcher must remain in the pitching circle until the ball is hit.
- The infielders may not play on the grass until after the ball is hit. The entire field is then in play, and any player may attempt to field the ball.
- **In the first 5 scheduled games a base runner who gets out will be allowed to stay on the base.**
- In scheduled games 6-10 if an out is made the base runner will be called out and go to the dugout. Three outs do not end the inning. The inning will end after the "last batter." **(It is encouraged to rotate the batting order from game to game so the same players don't always bat at the end of the order)**
- It is recommended to encourage the players to try and record outs at the bases and to avoid a strategy of always returning the ball to the pitcher's circle to freeze the runners. Try your best to teach the game to the players.

Remember every child on every team is a GHLL player.

Cheer them all on as if they were your own.

