

WSRBBSB Little Sluggers

WSRBBSB offers the Little Sluggers program to kindergarten and 1st grade boys and girls. The Little Sluggers program is designed to help players prepare for baseball and softball. They will enhance their skills in the basics of throwing, fielding, and hitting. In addition, they will begin to learn some of the basics of baseball/softball including outs, positions in the field, and hitting pitched balls.

Rules:

1. Either the pitching machines or a coach can be used to pitch to batters. Seven pitches will be given to a batter. If the batter does not hit the ball in the seven pitches, they will hit off the tee.
2. Everyone plays the field and bats each inning. The batting team will go through their lineup once each inning regardless of number of outs.
3. Fielders will play in actual positions. One player each at pitcher, catcher, 1B, 2B, 3B, and SS. All other players will be positioned in the outfield. This is to help players learn about each of the positions on the field.
4. Catchers will wear all equipment. This is for safety reasons.
5. When a runner is out, either by the ball being caught, runner forced at a base or being tagged, the runner will leave the bases and return to the dugout. This is to help players understand the importance of outs for both offense and defense and continue learning how they will play as they get older.
6. At the end of the inning, runners are not to run all bases to home. There are safety issues with the players running the bases and fielders coming off the field. Also, as the players move to baseball/softball, this will not be done. We want them to start understanding the baseball/softball rules. Batting lineups can be altered each inning to allow all players the opportunity to run the bases.
7. On balls hit to the outfield, runners may run until the ball gets to the infield. Once the ball is in the infield, the runners should remain at the base they are at.
8. Games will last 1 hour.