

## 2023 Classic T-Ball

## Nibley City Classic T-Ball (Ages 5-6)

This is a developmental program that is designed to teach the fundamental skills of Baseball/Softball in a fun and supportive atmosphere. The 5–6-year-old Classic T-ball division includes a 20 min outdoor instruction/practice with the players own team, prior to a 30 min outdoor T-ball game where everyone on the team gets to bat before the inning changes. These practice/games are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Tees will be used during the game to help develop proper hitting technique. Pitching is NOT a part of this program. Coaches and parents will be asked to help umpire the games mostly calling players safe or out on a base. As a coach, you will teach the fundamental skills of the game that address each of the skills listed below. Thank you in advance for making the FUNdamentals FUN! Often, learning skills in a game (i.e., follow the leader) will help your players learn the rules while staying engaged.

## Suggested Fundamental Skill Progression:

- Proper Catching
- Proper Throwing
- Batting stance, swing, and follow through
- Fielding Grounders
- Catching Pop Flies
- Defensive positions for infield and outfield (down and ready)
- Base running, sliding, and tagging up

Each scheduled game/practice you will start with a 20 min practice with only your team in the designated practice area. The next 30 min will be a game with the team listed on the schedule on the field you are assigned to.

## Rules:

- 1. Home team will be determined by the schedule
- 2. Each team bats the entire roster
- 3. Unlimited number of outs per inning
- 4. Advance only one base per batter
- 5. When the last batter hits everyone on base runs all the way home
- 6. DO NOT PITCH THE BALL TO PLAYERS
- 7. Games typically allow at least 2 at bats for every player in the ½ hour of play
- 8. The last two scheduled games try to play a full hour game with the other team