

SPRING 2023 T-BALL FAQ's GEORGE I. THEISEN FAMILY YMCA



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Registration is from March 13-April 5

Late registration is from April 6-10 (\$20 late fee) Practices begin the week of May 1

Games are scheduled from May 13-June 17 **Please note, information is subject to change.**

WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING?

AGE	CLEATS	DRESS	WATER BOTTLE	Glove	Bat/ball	Helmet
3 T-ball Co-ed	Recommended, but not required	Dress comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	YES	Foam Bat Not required	Preferred
4-5 T-ball Co-ed	Recommended, but not required	Dress comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	YES	Not required	Preferred
6-7 Super T-ball Co-ed	Recommended, but not required	Dress comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	YES	Not required	Preferred

WHAT IS PROVIDED IN MY REGISTRATION FEE? MEMBERS- \$75, NON MEMBERS- \$110

The YMCA is committed to providing the highest quality program for you and your family. Staff is provided to oversee all operations of the practices and games. Fields are maintained and kept in safe and presentable conditions. Additionally, your child will be provided with a team jersey and hat. Every child will receive an end of the year trophy. Six games are scheduled, with a guarantee of five games.

DOES THE YMCA GUARANTEE MY REQUESTS?

The YMCA cannot guarantee any requests that are made for practice days, times, coaches, etc. Please note, that if you want to switch teams after jerseys have been ordered or you ordered the wrong size, there will be a \$20 additional fee added to your account. This covers the new jersey and the shipping fee.

WHAT AGE GROUP SHOULD MY CHILD BE IN?

Your child should be in an age group based on their age on the first day of practices. Example: If the child is 5 at the time of registration, but turns 6 before the first day of practices, the child would need to play in the 6-7 age group.

WILL THE YMCA COMMUNICATE INFORMATION WITH ME?

Yes, but the primary form of communication is through a program called PlayerSpace and email. If you do not receive email correspondence by April 24th. A week before practices start, please email gitsports@ymcagreenville.org with your child's name and age group, to make sure we have the correct email address. The YMCA will communicate practice schedules, game schedules, and other important information throughout the season through PlayerSpace.

Who are the coaches for the T-Ball/Baseball teams?

The YMCA relies on parents and volunteers to serve as coaches for all T-Ball/Baseball teams within the organization. If you or anyone you know may be interested in serving as a volunteer coach during the upcoming spring season please contact Russell Webb @ russell.webb@ymcagreenville.org and he will provide you with the information you need to complete to become a volunteer coach.

WHEN SHOULD I HEAR FROM THE COACH?

Coaches are expected to review their rosters and contact their players the week of April 24th. Please contact Lindsey or Russell if you have not heard from your coach by one week before practices start.

PRACTICE INFORMATION

Practices begin the week of May 1st. All practices will begin at 5:30 or 6:30 on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays. Coaches will choose the practice day/time for the team he or she coaches.

- 3yr old age group will have two practice days (one each week) before moving to games only.
- Ages 4-5 will practice once a week.
- Ages 6-7 will practice once or twice a week depending on coach's availability, and if he or she chooses to have the team practice twice during the week or not.

WHEN WILL THE GAMES BE PLAYED?

- After completing two weeks of practice, the 3yr. old age group will begin playing only games with a brief 5-10 minute warm up/practice before the game. The games will be played during their regular scheduled practice days. Games may also be scheduled during a Saturday morning or a weeknight different from their regular practice day, if there is a need for a make-up game or additional game.
- Games will be on Saturdays for 4-7 year olds beginning May 13th and ending June 17th. Games will be at the GIT YMCA and/or any of the other YMCA branches. We will also have one or two weeknight game during the season.
- No games will be played/scheduled on May 27th during Memorial Day weekend.

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL PICTURES?

After the game schedule has been created, we will send it to the photographer and he will develop a picture schedule. As soon as we get this, we will pass it along to coaches and parents through email. PortraitEFX is the photography company. After your picture day has passed, they will process all orders and mail them out after the season is over. Any inquiries regarding problems with picture orders or not receiving your pictures should be sent to Todd Rogers at (864) 616-7999 or trogers@portraitefx.com.

IS THERE AN END OF SEASON PARTY?

Trophies will be given to coaches before the end of the season. It is up to coaches to pass them out after the last game or at a party. If you would like your team to have a party to pass out trophies, get with your coach and/or team parent to help set one up.

IS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE?

Yes, please ask the front desk for the paperwork needed to apply for financial assistance. For questions on this process, please call the front desk at (864) 834-2400.

WHAT ABOUT INCLEMENT WEATHER AND CANCELLATIONS?

- Practices**-The Sports Director will call practices under severe weather (lighting, thunder storms, tornado watch), ongoing hard rain, snow/ice, fields unplayable, and/or any possible weather threats. **Otherwise, any other weather conditions such as small rain showers will be at the discretion of the coach. This is for all ages. Please get a contact list of the Head Coach, Assistant Coach, and Team parent to see if practice is called off.** If the YMCA does call practices, the decision will be made by 4:45pm. Always check with your coach to see if it's cancelled.
- Games**- **The Sports Director will call games at the earliest time possible.** The Sports Director will call or email all coaches as soon as a decision is made. **This decision will be made by 4:45pm for weekdays and 8:00am on Saturdays.** After this time all decisions will be made on the field and information will be given to the Member Services desk at the YMCA. Always check with your coach to see if it's cancelled.

HOW CAN I GET A REFUND/ CREDIT?

Refund Policy-

DATE	REFUND/CREDIT
March 13 th - April 5 th	A full refund will be issued.
April 6 th -April 10 th	Credit or refund minus \$20
April 10 th and after	No refund. (Unless emergency and/or doctor's note)

HAVE A QUESTION NOT LISTED HERE?

Please direct all questions and concerns to:

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