

2023 SEDALIA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



# YOUTH BASEBALL

Recreational League -- For Grades K-9th



**EARLY BIRD  
DISCOUNT**

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SIGN-UPS  
REG. BY FEB 24  
**\$55**

OPEN  
REGISTRATION  
FEB. 27- MAR. 10  
**\$65**

**VOLUNTEER  
COACHES &  
SPONSORS  
NEEDED!**

## REGISTRATION & FEES

### HOW DO I REGISTER?

#### **IN PERSON:**

Stop by our office at Heckart Community Center

You may also register online at <http://registration.sedaliaparks.com>

### WHAT ARE THE FEES & REGISTRATION

#### DATES?

\$55 if received by Feb 24  
\$65 if received Feb 27 -Mar 10.

### HOW ARE LEAGUES DIVIDED?

#### **By Grade**

(2022-2023school year)

K –Coach Pitch/T-Ball  
1st & 2nd -Coach Pitch  
3rd—4th Kid Pitch  
5th—6th Kid Pitch  
7th—9th Kid Pitch

## PRACTICES & GAMES

### WHEN DO PRACTICES BEGIN?

Teams start practicing early/mid April. Specific starting dates will vary from team to team.

### WHERE ARE PRACTICES HELD?

Practices will be held at various fields throughout our parks. Teams typically practice 2x a week.

### WHEN WILL I HEAR FROM MY COACH?

Coaches will start contacting parents late March/early April, following the Coaches Meeting March 16th 7:00pm Heckart Community Center.

### WHAT WILL WE NEED?

Players must provide their own glove. We also recommend helmet, baseball pants, cup, cleats (no metal).

Equipment (bats, balls, and catcher's gear) will be provided. Players receive a t-shirt and cap.

### WHEN DO GAMES BEGIN?

Games begin early May and go through mid/late June.

### WHERE ARE GAMES HELD?

Games will primarily be held at Centennial Park, Katy Park, Vansell Field in Liberty Park, and Housel Field depending on age group.

Specific game times and number of games during a season both depend on the number of teams in the league.

### WHEN WILL I RECEIVE A GAME SCHEDULE?

Games schedules will be available mid April. Parents can get schedules from our website, or from their coach.

**COACHING and  
SPONSORING  
INFO ON BACK**

**READ ALL INFORMATION THOROUGHLY \*\* AFTER YOU HAVE REGISTERED, KEEP THIS INFORMATION SHEET!!**

## TEAM SELECTION:

Teams will have 1 Head Coach and up to 2 Assistant Coaches. Coaches and their children will be assigned to the same team. All other children will be randomly assigned to a team in their respective league. Players are randomly selected in order to promote individual growth, create invaluable experiences, increase the competitive balance of games, and improve the overall quality of the Youth Baseball League.

## ABOUT OUR PROGRAM:

- \* This is a RECREATIONAL league; we stress teaching the basics & having fun.
- \* Coaches in this league are volunteers. Usually they are parents just like yourself, and for some this is their first coaching experience.
- \* Our preference is that you, the parents, are the coaches in this league. However, when we do not have enough parent volunteers for each team, we must ask individuals and community organizations outside the program for help.
- \* If you would like your child to play at a highly competitive level, this type of league may not be the best fit for you. Our recommendation is to consider enrolling your child in one of the traveling teams in town. We say this only so that you find the appropriate league for your child and enjoy the experience.

## **COACHING: You don't have to be a baseball expert to be a good coach! This is a RECREATIONAL league - we're here to have fun!**

### **To be a good coach, it is important to:**

- Stress the importance of having FUN & good sportsmanship.
- Understand and follow the Rules & Regulations of our league.
- Know Baseball fundamentals or be willing to learn this information.
- Be reliable & responsible.

### **What to expect:**

- A background check will be required in order to coach.
- A Coaches Meeting will be held Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Heckart Community Center
- Practices will be begin early/mid April.
- Games begin early May and last through mid/late June.

### **If you would like to coach:**

- Please fill out the Coaches section on the registration form.
- We will contact you with more information after registration is complete.

### **For additional information:**

Call the Parks & Recreation Department at 826-4930 or email Tanner McKee at [tmckee@sedaliaparks.com](mailto:tmckee@sedaliaparks.com)

## SPONSORS:

Sponsors are another very important part of our program. If you would like to sponsor a team, please contact Tanner McKee at 660-826-4930 or [tmckee@sedaliaparks.com](mailto:tmckee@sedaliaparks.com). You will have a sponsorship form to fill out that will need to be done no later than March 10, 2023