

Big Lake Baseball Association

2010 Roberto Clemente (6-7 year olds) Rules and Info

1. Parent Involvement: This is a must for this program to work. Parents are needed to:

- Σ Help coach
- Σ Each family works 4 hours at the concession stand
- Σ Be there to cheer the kids on.
- Σ Bring snacks or drinks for the players after each game.

2. Game nights: Monday and Wednesday nights. League begins on **June 14th**.

3. Time: 6:30 to 8:30 PM we suggest that you practice before every game for a minimum of 30 minutes (6:30 - 7:00). Then play as many innings as you can. No inning is to start after 8:15 pm. In the beginning of the season you may want to practice longer than 30 minutes. The two coaches scheduled to play that evening can determine this.

4. Playing Rules for 6 and 7 Year-Olds:

A. **Good sportsmanship** is a must. Remember we are all out here to learn and have fun!

B. The league is set up to be a transitional league from Tee-Ball to the Roberto Clemente 8 year old division. The team at bat will pitch to their own players. The pitcher can be a coach or parent.

C. Each batter will get a chance to hit a maximum of 4 pitches. If the batter doesn't hit any of the pitches then the batter will hit off of a Tee.

D. Each player will get a chance to bat every inning.

E. Every player will play in the field. Rotate positions every inning.

F. No extra bases on overthrows. Coaches should stop runners at each base (one base at a time).

G. Runners may NOT lead off. Players can leave the base after the ball is hit.

H. Bases will be set at 60 feet.

I. Equipment and balls will be provided by the association (helmets, catchers' equipment).

Softer balls will be used. The kids will need to supply their own bats.

J. On deck batters, batters and runners must wear a helmet. Catchers must wear a mask.

K. No metal cleats will be allowed.

L. Coaches will be responsible for hustling their players on and off the field.

M. Coaches, players and fans will refrain from using foul language.

N. The baseball fields are school property and by law are considered alcohol, tobacco and drug FREE.

O. We need to keep this a FUN learning and non-competitive league.

P. The last batter for each team is **not** allowed to run all bases after a hit at the end of a half-inning. Only let them run to the base that is appropriate for the hit.

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4. Playing Rules for 8 Year-Olds:

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C. Each batter will get a chance to hit a maximum of 4 pitches. If the batter does not hit the ball, the coach will need to soft-toss the ball underhanded to the batter, (about 10 feet from the batter).

D. There will be 6 outs given per inning; after 3 outs the bases will be cleared.

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