

# New Family Meeting Takeaways

Date	March 1, 2023
Prepared For	2023 OYO Families
<b>SAVE THE DATES</b>	
12 & Under Divisions Key Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 3   Team Counts Finalized, Coaches Assigned in LeagueApps</li> <li>• March 5   Teams Constructed in LeagueApps</li> <li>• March 6   Rosters Released</li> <li>• March 8   Coaches Should Contact Teams</li> <li>• March 11   Park Prep Day</li> <li>• March 13   Practices Begin</li> <li>• April 15   Saturday Games Begin</li> <li>• April 29   Picture Day</li> <li>• May 1   Weeknight Games Begin</li> <li>• May 6   Picture Day Rain Date</li> <li>• May 19   Tournament Pairings and Schedule Released</li> <li>• May 26   All-Star Night</li> <li>• May 26-29   No Rec League Activity</li> <li>• June 3   Regular Season Ends</li> <li>• June 5-17   Rec League Tournament</li> <li>• June 10   Regular Season Ends for Tee Ball, Challengers</li> </ul>
<b>THE OYO WAY</b>	
Guiding Principles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development</li> <li>• Respect</li> <li>• Life Lessons</li> <li>• Fairness</li> <li>• Character</li> </ul>
<b>PLAYER DEVELOPMENT</b>	
Game Rules   All Leagues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-Standing League</li> <li>• Fair Play Rule*   All players must play one inning in infield, one in outfield every game</li> <li>• Position Maximum*   No player may play a position more than three innings per game</li> <li>• Mercy Rule*   No mercy rule during regular season, games played to time limit/completion <i>* denotes rules relaxed/different in tournament play</i></li> </ul>
Player Development Progression Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Softball   <a href="http://oyoball.org/player-development-progression">oyoball.org/player-development-progression</a></li> <li>• Baseball   <a href="http://oyoball.org/player-development-progression-2">oyoball.org/player-development-progression-2</a></li> </ul>
<b>FIELD MAINTENANCE</b>	
General Field Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goal   Provide a better playing experience through better maintenance of our fields</li> <li>• Take 5-10 minutes after each practice and game to rake fields <u>as a team</u></li> <li>• Field Repairs?   Contact Jeff Sparks at <a href="mailto:oyoconcessions@att.net">oyoconcessions@att.net</a></li> </ul>
Before/After Game Field Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Team   Chalks the field for the game</li> <li>• Visitors Team   Rake the field</li> <li>• Both Teams   Clear dugout of all possessions</li> </ul>

## SCHEDULING SYNOPSIS

Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice Season   One weeknight practice thru April 28</li> <li>• Practice Season   One Saturday practice thru April 8</li> <li>• Game Season   Saturdays begin April 15</li> <li>• Game Season   Weeknights begin May 1</li> </ul>
Rainouts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practices   Coach's discretion and should communicate directly</li> <li>• Games   All decisions made by OYO Advisors on Duty (AODs) and communicated via OYO Weatherline by Champion's Edge at 317.767.5170</li> <li>• Rainouts   Are not rescheduled as "two extra games" are already added to game schedule</li> </ul>
Rec League Tournament	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rec League Tournament   June 5-17</li> <li>• Random drawing via LeagueApps</li> <li>• Schedule released/posted online on Friday, May 19</li> <li>• Tournament game rainouts are rescheduled accordingly</li> </ul>

## ALL-STAR/REC TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Rec Travel Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seeking All-Star Coaches for 07U Bombers (baseball) and 08U Red Storm (softball)</li> <li>• Red Storm   Softball Teams   08U, 10U, 12U, 14U</li> <li>• Bombers   Baseball Teams   07U, 08U, 09U, 10U, 11U, 12U</li> </ul>
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## MEETING PRESENTATION

Downloadable Version	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://oyoball.org/news/2023_lowdown">oyoball.org/news/2023_lowdown</a></li> </ul>
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