Coaches' Meeting Takeaways

Date	July 30, 2026
Prepared For	2026 Fall Ball Rec League Coaches
MUST DO'S	
Background Checks	• Free and online • Complete at **oyoball.org/background-checks** • Contact | Mario Covarrubias at **mcovar3@gmail.com**
Equipment Matters	• Markus Jones | Equipment Co-Chair | 317.292.4365 | **mjonesih@gmail.com** • Lexis McGee | Equipment Co-Chair | 317.413.1676 | **lexismcgee@gmail.com**
SAVE THE DATES	
Key Dates	• July 31 | Coaches Should Contact Teams • August 2 | Practices Begin • August 21 | Uniform Distribution • August 23 | Games Begin • August 30 | Picture Day (and *amended* game schedule) • September 6 | Games Played (on Labor Day weekend) • September 13 | Picture Day Rain Date • September 27 | Regular Season Ends • September 27 | Player Evaluation Form Due • October 1 | Pre-Tournament Coaches' Meeting (tentative) • October 4 | Rec League Tournament (and Final Day of Games for Tee Ball) • October 10-11 | Rec League Tournament Rain Date (and Final Day of Games for Tee Ball)
COACHES' CORNER	
Coach Incentive Program Participation Criteria	• July 30 | Coaches' Meeting • September 28 | Player Evaluation Form Due • October 1 | Pre-Tournament Coaches' Meeting (date tentative) • October 4 | Equipment Returned after last game on Tournament Sunday
Practice Modules	• Pre-Practice — Enlist help — Develop a practice plan • Starting Practice — Let kids know the plan — Consider starting with baserunning • During Practice — Utilize station work — Focus on fundamentals — Do batting right • Ending Practice — Take the opportunity to build the team — Review the practice plan
Player Development Progression Framework	• Softball | **oyoball.org/player-development-progression** • Baseball | **oyoball.org/player-development-progression-2**

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Scheduling Synopsis	
Format	• **Practice Season |** One weeknight practice all season • **Practice Season |** One Sunday practice through August 16 • **Game Season |** Teams play doubleheaders every Sunday — TB and JRO teams play just one game each Sunday
Batting Cages	• Schedule thru custom app • Login information will be communicated to you by August 3 • When vacant, cages are open for use on a first come, first served basis
Rainouts	• **Practices |** Coach's discretion so communicate directly with your team (unless otherwise notified by the league) • **Games |** All decisions made by OYO Advisors on Duty (AODs) and communicated via OYO Weatherline at **317.767.5170** • **Rainouts |** Are not rescheduled as "two extra games" are already added to game schedule
Rec League Tournament	• Rec League Tournament | Sunday, October 4 • Random drawing via LeagueApps • Schedule released/posted online in mid- September • Tournament game rainouts are rescheduled accordingly
Rules	
OYO-Specific Rules	• Baseball | **oyoball.org/rules** • Softball | **oyoball.org/softball-rules**
Bat Eligibility	
OYO-Specific Rules	**JRO-RB-MB-SM Baseball Bat Eligibility |** When checking your ballplayer's baseball bat, please consider these following rules: • A bat may not exceed 33 inches • Any bat displaying the USABat certification • No barrel shall exceed 2-5/8 inches in diameter • There is no length-to-weight ratio limitation **JBB Baseball Bat Eligibility |** When checking your ballplayer's baseball bat, please consider these following rules: • A bat may not exceed 34 inches • Any bat displaying a USABat, BPF 1.15 or BBCOR .50 certification is permissible • No barrel shall exceed 2-5/8 inches in diameter • There is no length to weight ratio limitation
TBRI | Trust-Based Relational Intervention Strategies	
TBRI	• Three Principles — Connecting ▪ Mindfulness ▪ Engagement — Empowering ▪ Physiological Needs Come First ▪ Environmental Strategies — Correcting ▪ Proactive ▪ Responsive

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Field Maintenance

General Field Care	• Goal | Provide a better playing experience through quality field maintenance • Take 5-10 minutes after each practice and game to rake fields as a team • Field Repairs? | Contact Jeff Sparks at **oyoconcessions@att.net**
Before/After Game Field Care	• Home Team | Chalks the field for the game • Visitors Team | Rake the field after the game • Both Teams | Clear dugout of all possessions

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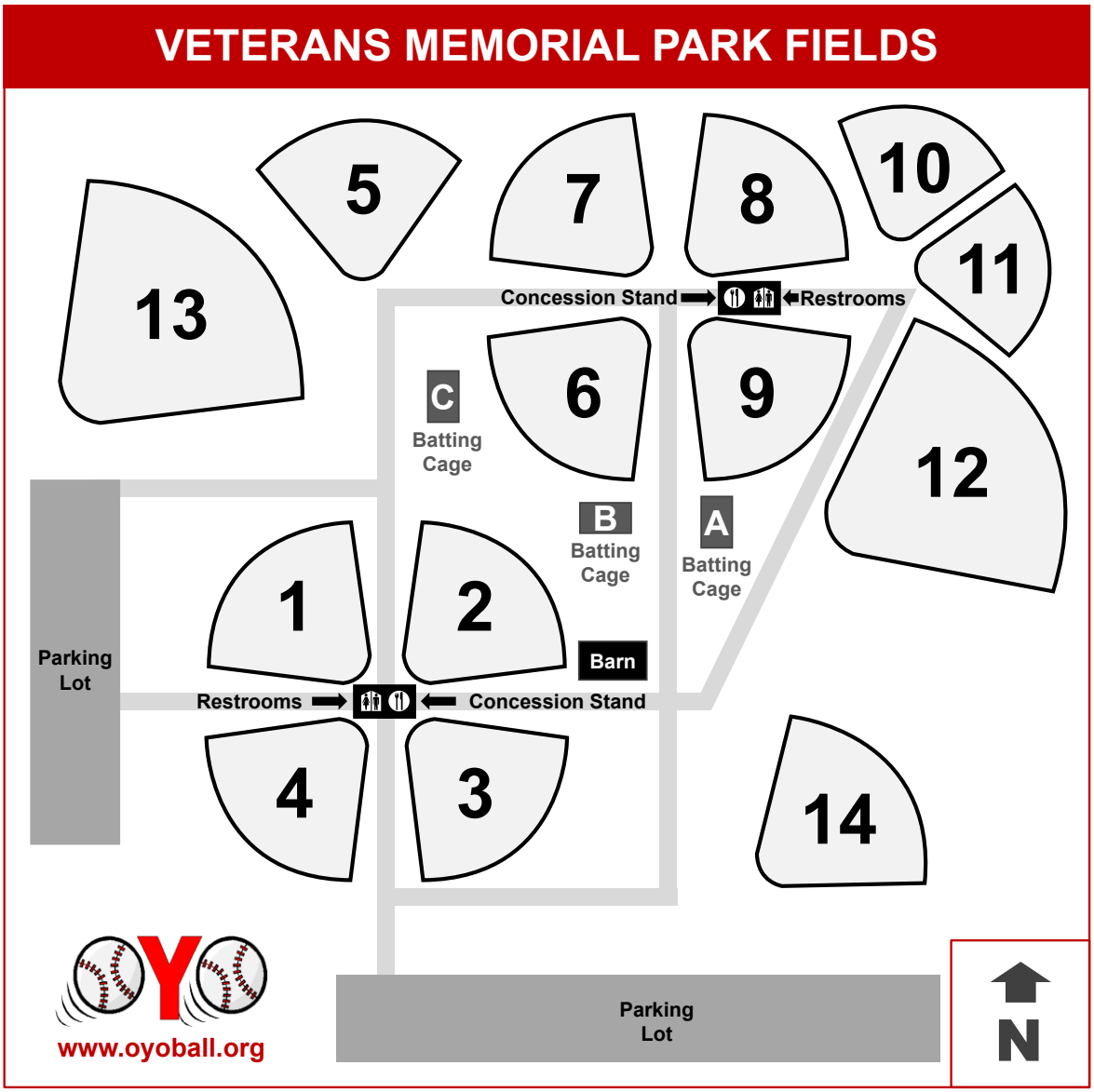
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