

## **11U & 14U**

### **2022 GIRLS 11U SOFTBALL - May 1 - June 30**

#### Overview

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#### Practice

Practices will begin the week of April 18th Practices are 60-90 minutes in length.

#### Games

Game schedules will be distributed as soon as it's completed depending upon the number of teams. All teams will play 8-10 games (weather dependent). Games will be played for 75 minutes. Games are played at the Field of Dreams. We also have a reciprocal agreement with Manchester Recreation Association where we play their teams at their facility. Their teams will also play our teams here.

#### Equipment

The YMCA will provide: Bats, bases, balls & catchers equipment. Parents will be responsible for providing: appropriate footwear (no sandals or boots), baseball mitts, pants, batting helmets, water, snacks.

#### Uniforms

Jerseys purchased at the time of registration will be distributed as soon as they are delivered. If you still need to purchase a jersey, you can do so at the Front Desk.

#### Coaches

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#### Volunteer Coaches Meeting

Wednesday, April 13th @ 5:30pm out at the YMCA.

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## **SAFETY: INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICIES**

Games - The YMCA will decide on weather conditions 60-90 minutes prior to game start time. Any determination after that will be made on the field. This ensures that we do not cancel games "too early" and that our kids can play if at all possible. Weather is not the only factor in determining cancellation. Field conditions that are not safe will not be played on can also result in a cancellation. The Program Director will make that decision.

Practice - Decisions concerning practices will be made by individual coaches prior to practice. Please check with your coach for updates.

Rain-Outs / Game Make-Ups - Any rescheduled game overrides any set practice times. Coaches are responsible for canceling practices due to weather conditions; the YMCA is responsible for game days.

### **How to find out if games/practices are cancelled due to weather or field conditions:**

Check Wabash County YMCA Facebook for recent posts  
Check the website: [wabashcountymca.org](http://wabashcountymca.org) for updates

Coaches will also be made aware via email or text if there will be changes due to weather.