



Parks & Recreation Department

**Youth T-Ball
Ages 3-6**

How is my child placed on a team?

Wendell Parks and Recreation staff will organize teams based on ages and gender to ensure all participants will have a positive experience. We do accept requests to be with certain coaches or another child in this age group only. We want this experience to be a fun and happy time for your child. When a participant turns 7, we cannot meet request to play with specific players or coaches. Once turning 7 each child will go into a draft to help split each team as equally as possible.

What equipment do I need to provide for my child need to play t-ball?

You should provide a glove and a bat for your child. We will provide a tee and balls for practices and games. If you choose to, you may provide your child with a batting helmet, but it is not required or provided. We will be providing each child a hat and t-shirt for games. Pants and socks are not provided. We leave the pants/shorts up to each coach.

How many practices will my child get?

Weather permitting; each team will get 3 or 4 practices beginning the 3rd Saturday of March. At this age we feel that less practice and more games will better meet the needs of the kids.

How many games will my child get?

Each team will be scheduled 7 games beginning the last Saturday of April. No games will be played Memorial weekend.

What do we do with inclement weather?

Our inclement weather policy states: 1) Update the game line (365-GAME) and 2) Call or email all the coaches so that they may contact each member of their team. 3) Please sign up for rainedout.com and get a free text to inform you of snow/inclement weather updates. To get signed up, go to rainedout.com and search for Wendell. Then follow the steps onscreen. If a game is cancelled, we will make every effort to reschedule and make up the game if at all possible.

Does the Wendell Parks and Recreation Department provide trophies at the end of the season?

Wendell Parks and Recreation does not provide individual or team trophies. However, most coaches and parents will choose to do this for their kids on their own. So, you may be asked at the end of your season to pay for your child's trophy. Prices may vary depending on size of the trophy. Typically, these trophies will cost around \$6.00. Please keep in mind that the sponsor of your team has already paid to have their name on your child's shirt. Please do not ask them to

pay for trophies or the end of season party. For the end of season party, coaches may reserve the picnic shelters at Wendell Park or if they prefer they may inquire about a room inside the Wendell Community Center.

What else do I need to know about the T-ball program offered by the Wendell Parks and Recreation Department?

The Wendell Parks and Recreation t-ball program is designed to provide every child with the opportunity to participate in a fun, organized program that teaches them the fundamentals of the sport in a positive atmosphere. We strongly suggest that all parents support our efforts to ensure a positive experience for all participants. In an effort to maintain a positive atmosphere in our program, standings are not kept in any of our leagues.