

South Hardin Sports (SHS) Frequently Asked Questions Spring 2025

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1) PRICE

Softball \$85.00 per child Baseball \$85.00 per child Tee Ball \$65.00 per child

2) PLAYER EVALUATIONS

Saturday, March 8th at West Hardin Middle School (10471 Leitchfield Rd, Cecilia Ky 42724) Your child will need to attend Player Evaluations <u>IF</u>:

- This is their first year playing in any division. (EXCEPTION-tee ball players do not attend evaluations).
- they are <u>moving up</u> into an older division (i.e., from 6u softball to 8u softball; or from Coach Pitch Baseball to Player Pitch Baseball).
- they are not moving up, but you do not want them to play on the same team as last Spring.

Each division will be held (as a group) for about an hour please report to the gym. We will post a detailed schedule on Facebook and on our website, as well as send emails, by the end of day Fri, March 7.

3) WHEN WILL THE FIRST PRACTICE BE?

- Baseball and Softball the week of March 17.
- Tee Ball Sat., April 19. (We hope that starting later will give the weather a chance to warm up for this age.)

4) WHERE WILL PRACTICES BE HELD?

Practice for all divisions will primarily be held at the South Hardin ballpark (474 Cecil Ave., Cecilia, 42724). Once the regular season begins, field availability will determine if practice can be held there. Coaches will also have the option to practice at West Hardin Middle School. It will be up to the coaches whether they use those fields. It is up to the coaches how often they have practice *before* the season starts, as well as *after* the season begins.

5) WHERE WILL GAMES BE PLAYED?

All games will be played at South Hardin ballpark (474 Cecil Ave., Cecilia, KY 42724).

6) WHEN WILL THE FIRST GAME BE?

Tee Ball.....Saturday, May 3rd. Baseball and Softball.....week of Monday, April 14.

7) WHEN WILL GAMES BE PLAYED?

- Tee ball games will be played on Saturday mornings.
- Softball weekday games will be played at 6 or 7:15 pm OR Saturday beginning at 9 am
 - *Final schedule will be released when sign ups end
- Baseball weekday games will be played at 6 or 7:15 pm OR Saturday beginning at 9 am
 - *Final schedule will be released when sign ups end

8) GAME SCHEDULE

Once sign-ups are over, we will know the # of teams that we will have. At that time, we can create the schedule and let you know *exact* game nights & times. Unless we are trying to work in rained out games, teams will usually only play 2 nights a week.

9) HOW WILL I KNOW IF A PRACTICE OR A GAME IS CANCELED?

- Our website <u>www.southhardinsports.org</u>.
- Our Facebook page www.facebook.com/southhardinsports.
- Your player's coach.

10) **OPENING CEREMONY** at the ballpark on Friday, April 11.

Teams will be recognized; we will have fun! Games for all ages, silent auction, and much more!

11) HOW LONG WILL THE SEASON LAST



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- Tee ball we will schedule six (6) games for this age group. If weather prevents us from playing all six (6) games, as long as we get in five (5) games; we will call it a season. This will allow your player to experience at least five (5) games, along with three (2) practices.
- Baseball and softball we will schedule twelve (12) games for these age groups. Our goal is to have all the regular season games completed by May 24th. The post season tournament will be held the week of May 26th.
- If weather prevents us from getting 12 games in by May 31st, we will call it a season. This is necessary so that we can start the post season tournament the week of June 2nd. MAKE UP GAMES WILL BE HELD ALL DAY MEMORIAL DAY MAY 26TH IF NEEDED.
- Tee ball does not have a post season tournament.

12) WHAT KIND OF EQUIPMENT WILL MY CHILD NEED?



Example of a DEFENSIVE FACE MASK.



Example of a BATTING HELMET

	TEE BALL	BASEBALL	SOFTBALL
Batting Glove(s)	Optional	Optional	Optional
Defensive Face Mask	Recommended	Recommended	Required
Bat* USA certified	Recommended	Required	Recommended
Glove	Required	Required	Required
Batting Helmet (with a Face Guard attached)	Recommended	Recommended	Required
Batting Helmet	Required	Required	N/A
Bat Bag	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
Athletic Supporter	N/A	Required	N/A
Cleats (with rubber soles) or tennis shoes	Required	Required	Required
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Players in all age divisions usually bring their own equipment. However, if you come up short on an item, we have a limited supply of gently used, donated items (including cleats) that are available. If you have a need, just email us at southhardinsports@gmail.com.

If you have items that you would like to donate to this cause, feel free to bring them with you to a live sign up; or to evaluations; or anytime.

13) **UNIFORMS** – the following items will be provided:

- Tee Ball a t-shirt and a cap.
- Baseball a jersey, pants, cap, and socks.
- Softball a jersey, pants, and socks.

14) MANDATORY PARENT'S MEETING

This is a mandatory meeting and will take place at the ballpark during the first week of practice. Coaches will notify the parents of the date and time of your parents meeting.

15) SPONSORSHIPS and VOLUNTEERING

If you or someone you know (a business or personal) would be interested in helping South Hardin by...

- making a monetary or an in-kind donation, or
- volunteering in other ways (concession stand, emptying garbage, raking/dragging the fields, etc.).

...please let your coach or a board member know or email us at southhardinsports@gmail.com. TIA!