

Spring 2022 Team Mom/Parent Helpful Tips



Communication

Communication is key in Team Mom/Parent Leadership. Parents need frequent reminders about practices, games, snacks, and more. Consider a team sports management application like groupme, whatsapp, or in addition to the Sports Engine App.

Introduce yourself to the team's families and highlight the important information they need to know about the upcoming season. Including:

- Uniforms
- Team Banner - Optional
 - Homemade banners will be entered into a contest for snack tickets
- Crates for dugout organization (Optional but helpful for TBALL and Peewee)
- Team shirts - optional
- Scorekeeping and score board operating – required
- Concession tickets – tickets available at concessions stand for \$1 each

Snacks

We recommend creating and sending out a snack schedule for team practices and concession tickets for game days. After each game, the team mom or coach distributes them to each kid and they can choose a snack from the concession stand. This is also optional- but a very popular practice at ODC. Tickets can be purchased on game day at the concession stand for \$1 each.

We suggest especially for the younger kids that parents take turns bringing snacks or drinks to share at practices, although this is also not required.

Scorekeepers and score board operators.

The home team is required to keep the actual score in the book. The away team is required to operate the scoreboard. Your team will need volunteers for each.

Social Media

Follow our Facebook and Instagram! Make sure to use the #ODC and @oaksdadsclub so we can see how great all our players are doing throughout the season. We will possibly share some of your posts on our facebook and instagram! We are working on a TikTok...so stay tuned!

Team Pictures

Our photographer will reach out to each family via email in the week or 2 prior to the actual picture day. Picture day is on April 24th. Pictures are mailed directly to the player's family.

End of season team party

The kids really love just hanging out together, so nothing super fancy is necessary, but a few ideas (depending on the time of year and COVID) are:

- Pitch-in at a local park
- Swim Party
- Cook-out at a team member's home
- Go out for ice cream right after the last game is over
- Meet at a local pizza joint for dinner

Don't Forget The Coach's Gift to say thanks!

Consider buying or creating a gift for your coach once the season wraps up. Once the gift is decided, calculate the fair share for each player's family to contribute and send out a group email to collect money from each player's family.

Again, these are just some suggestions to get you started. Have a great season!

Suggested T-Shirt Vendors:

Ugly Guppy
(281) 974-3912
<https://www.uglyguppy.com/>

T-Shirts Etc.
713-864-1480
<https://www.tshirtsetchouston.com/>

Just Her Sports
713-661-7272
<https://justhersports.com/>

GooseWorks Screen Printing
(281) 685-4076
<https://www.gooseworkshtx.net/>