

Franklin Youth Baseball
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First Practice Agenda

Set the tone early at your first practice. Try to get the players together as soon as possible to run through the first huddle and get them moving into warmups.

First Huddle

Make a good first impression and start your first huddle on time. This will reinforce to players / parents that you respect their time and want to make the most of each practice. Ask kids to huddle up and form a circle.

- Coach Introductions (keep it short, but be clear)
 - (Name, why you coach, what you expect from players, how long you have been involved in league.) Have each coach introduce themselves.
- Player Introductions (Ask players to introduce themselves with the following. Go around circle.) (Name, School, favorite baseball team, what team did you play on last year? What positions did you play last year?)
- Explain coaching philosophy, and cover the following:
 - Discuss how early you want kids to arrive for practice (early bird hitting?)
 - Ask that each player arrive **XX** minutes before each game to warm up.
 - Ask that players/parents notify a coach 24 hrs or more in advance of missed games if possible
 - Lineup: Explain that players will rotate positions all season long
 - Batting order: Discuss your batting order process (If you don't have one, make one.)
- Questions?

Administrative

- Verify player names, contact information
- Collect Medical release forms Move into Practice Agenda