

Pee Wee Baseball Program Guide 2025

Program Overview

The Pee Wee Baseball League is a Town of Franklin Recreation Department supported, program designed for boys and girls ages 4-6. The Franklin Recreation Department has successfully provided youth sports programs for the past 25 years, emphasizing fun, skill development, and teamwork.

Program Schedule

- **Season Duration:** April 12 – June 19, 2025
- **Schedules:** Available on the baseball website and will be emailed to participants.
- **Divisions:** Players are grouped by age group (players with birthdates between May 1-August 31, parents can choose to play based on grade or age).
 - 4-Year-Old League
 - 5-Year-Old League
 - 6-Year-Old League

All teams follow a rotating schedule to ensure fair matchups and exposure to different teams. Each team plays at least one game per week in one of the following time slots:

- **Saturdays:** 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM
- **Tuesdays:** 5:30 PM **Thursdays:** 5:30 PM (Only in the event of a cancellation make up)

Coaches can schedule additional practice sessions through the Sign-Up Genius system.

League Breakdown

6-Year-Old League (Coach Pitch, Developmental)

- **Sessions:** 12 total (3 practices, 10 games)
- **Practice Structure:** 20-minute station-based training (hitting, fielding, throwing, and base running)
- **Game Format:** 15-20 min warm-up, followed by a 1-hour game
- **Teams:** 8 teams, 9-10 players per team
- **Uniforms:** Provided team jerseys and hats with MLB team names
- **Coaches:** Requires 2-3 coaches per team for instruction and support

5-Year-Old League (Tee Ball with Coach Pitch Introduction)

- **Sessions:** 12 total (3 practices, 10 games)
- **Practice Structure:** 20-minute station-based training
- **Game Format:** Starts with tee ball, transitioning to coach pitch as players improve
- **Teams:** 8 teams, 9-10 players per team
- **Uniforms:** Provided team jerseys and hats with MLB team names
- **Coaching:** Requires heavy parent involvement for instruction and support

4-Year-Old League (Tee Ball Instructional)

- **Goal:** Introduce basic baseball concepts in a fun, engaging way
- **Sessions:** 12 total (3 practices, 10 games)
- **Practice Structure:** 20-minute station-based training (hitting, fielding, throwing, and base running)
- **Game Format:** 15-20 min warm-up, followed by a 1-hour game
- **Teams:** 6-9 players per team for increased repetitions and engagement
- **Uniforms:** Provided team jerseys and hats with MLB team names
- **Coaches:** Requires 2-3 coaches per team for instruction and support

Coaches & Volunteer Opportunities

- **Mandatory Coaches Meeting:** Wednesday, April 9, 6:00 PM (Virtual via Google Meet)
- **Meeting Agenda:**
- **Responsibilities:** Teach fundamentals, encourage teamwork, and ensure a positive environment
- **Background Checks:** All coaches must complete and return a CORI form
- **Interested in Coaching?** Indicate your interest during registration

Key Dates & Locations

- **First Practice:** Saturday, April 12
- **Practice Location:** Fletcher Field (Peck Street, near the hockey rink & basketball courts)
- **Practice Times:**
 - **Ages 5 & 6:** Saturdays - 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM
 - **Age 4:** Saturdays - 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM
 - **All Ages:** Tuesdays - 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
- **First Game:**
 - Tuesday, April 29
 - Saturday, May 3
- **Game Location:** Fletcher Field (near the basketball courts)
- **Final Game:**
 - Saturday, June 14 (weather permitting)
 - Thursday, June 19 (make-up date if needed)

General Program Information

Equipment Requirements

- **Required:** Glove, sneakers or plastic cleats, shorts, sweats, or baseball pants
- **Provided:** Team shirt, bats, balls, bases, and other necessary equipment
- **Optional:** Batting gloves
- **Age 6 Players:** May use metal bats, but only under coach/Rec Department supervision

Facility Guide

- **Parking:** Please Park on the Wachusett Street side of Fletcher Field to avoid congestion on Peck Street, which is used by youth softball and baseball programs.
- **Restrooms:** Portable toilets are available in the small parking lot near Wachusett Street. Regular restrooms are located near the concession stand on the Peck Street side.
- **Supervision:** A coach or parent volunteer must always accompany a player to the restroom; no child should go alone

Eligibility

- Open to boys and girls ages 4-6
- Maximum of 10 players per team, up to 8 teams per session

Weather Policy

- If it's raining, practices/games are canceled
- Cancellation notices will be emailed to participants
- Make-up sessions will be posted online

[Pee wee baseball website](#)