

## **Minors Softball**

- Age Groups
  - Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Girls
- Schedule and Locations
  - Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
    - Locations: Old York School Fields
  - Thursday 6:00 p.m.
    - Locations: Old York School Fields
  - Saturday morning or early afternoon
    - Locations: Various (Old York School / White Oak Park / Central Middle School)
- Team Size
  - Minimum 7 players per team
  - Maximum 10 players per team
- Objectives / Overview of Rules
  - Learning the fundamentals of softball in a fun environment
  - Multiple practices will be scheduled before opening game and in-season
  - Games will be played with a “soft” safety-style softball (11-inch circumference)
  - Players will gain experience playing all the different defensive positions (except catcher)
  - Players will be hitting balls pitched by their coaches in games
  - All players play the field every inning
  - First six games: No outs are recorded; All players bat each inning
  - Starting in seventh game: Introduce three outs per inning (with five-run limit); After third swinging strike, batter has choice to receive one more swing or hit off tee
  - Starting in eleventh game: Batter is out after third swinging strike
  - Coaches will be on the field during game play to instruct players
  - Typically 3 to 4 inning games (depending on time/sunlight)