

**NORTH PLATTE YOUTH BASEBALL, INC.**  
**TEE BALL (5 & 6 YEAR OLD)**

**OBJECTIVE:**

The emphasis in this program should be on proper technique in throwing, catching, hitting and learning very basic knowledge of the game and fielding positions. At no time should winning or losing take over equal playing time, player safety, player improvement, or **FUN**. Encourage each player to set and attain personal and team oriented goals. Teaching kids the desire to excel should be the main purpose.

**LOCAL RULES:**

**BATTING RULE:**

- (1) Duration of a half innings is once through the entire batting order.
- (2) Batters are not allowed to swing until the pitcher makes a pitching motion.
- (3) No strike outs.
- (4) When a player is called out, he must return to the dugout.

**BASE RUNNING RULES:**

- (1) No leading off.
- (2) No stealing.
- (3) No head first stealing.
- (4) Runners may only advance on a live batted ball.
- (5) Runners cannot advance once the ball enters the infield; runners between bases at the time the ball crosses the infield arc are allowed to advance to the next available base at their own risk.

**DEFENSIVE RULES:**

- (1) All players will play defense.
- (2) No catcher for the 5 year olds.
- (3) Catchers must wear a batting helmet
- (4) All players must play infield at least one inning per game.

**COACHING RULES:**

- (1) The offensive team may have one coach help with batting.
- (2) The coaches must monitor the batting lineups to make sure everyone hits every inning.
- (3) Batting coaches are responsible for removing the tee so that advancing runners can easily cross the plate.
- (4) The defensive team may have coaches on the field.

**KEEPING SCORE:**

- (1) No scores will be kept.

**LENGTH OF GAMES:**

- (1) Duration of games will be 3 innings, time permitting.