



U9 SAMPLE COACH INTRO EMAIL

Hi everyone,

My name is _____ and I will be coaching your child's softball team this year. I look forward to meeting you all and having a fun season together with your kids. As some of you may be new to softball, I wanted to go over some items before our first practice/game:

1. Practice / Game Structure - for the U9 division, we will play every Mon and Wed from 6pm – 7:30pm. Each evening will be split by using the first 45 mins for warmup/practice/drills, with the game portion starting at 6:45 and ending around 7:30pm.
2. Player Equipment/Gear - for U9, players are required to have their own batting helmet and glove. Cleats are strongly suggested, especially if the grass is damp (soccer cleats are fine). Players can bring their own bats, but we will have team bats for the players to use. Players should bring a water bottle and a bag to hold all of their gear.
3. Parent helpers - the success of our season will be dependent on getting help with setting up and running drills, setting up the field, ensuring the kids are on time and ready to go. All help is appreciated, and you don't need to be a softball expert to help.
4. Parent meeting - I was hoping to meet to have a quick meeting with parents after the first practice/game. Just to introduce each other, go over the expectations for the season and see if there are any questions.
5. Team/Player Goals - My goal for this season is for your kids to have fun and enjoy being with their team at the ballpark. I also want them to develop general skills and start to understand the rules and basic strategy of softball. My hope is every player will want to return and play again next season.
6. Contact Info - If you need to reach me, please email _____ or call/text _____. In the event of a rainout, I will email / text the team to let them know of the cancellation. If you are unable to make a game, please let me know as soon as possible; if there are days that you already know you will be missing, please send them to me so I can mark the player away for that time.

We should be receiving the schedule shortly, once it's released, I will share with the team. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions in the meantime.

Also, we need to come up with a team name, have your child think of some ideas and we can see what one the group decides on once we get the team together.

Thanks,

Coach _____