



Johnston Girls Softball Association – 2020 Rec League

Key information and updates for the 2020 Rec Season

Below please find important information and key dates for the Johnston Girls Softball Association's (JGSA) 2020 Rec League season. Questions can be directed to the appropriate director:

- [Jarod Haxton](#) – President & Tryout/Team Selection Director
- [Tom Cope](#) – Vice President & 12U Director
- [Eric Clark](#) – 10U Director
- [Brian Hemesath](#) – 8U Director
- [Abby Hawes](#) – Safety Director & 5U/6U Director

KEY DATES:	5U/6U	8U	10U	12U
Spring Field Cleanup	Saturday, March 28 at Low Clarkson Park 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Saturday, March 28 at Low Clarkson Park 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Saturday, March 28 at Low Clarkson Park 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Saturday, March 28 at Low Clarkson Park 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tryouts	N/A	N/A	*Monday, March 23 at Summit Middle School 5:30 p.m. warm-ups, tryouts 5:45-6:45 p.m. for players last name A-J 6:45 p.m. warm-ups, tryouts 7-8 p.m. for players last name K-Z	*Tuesday, March 24 at Summit Middle School 5:30 p.m. warm-ups, tryouts 5:45-6:45 p.m. for players last name A-L 6:45 p.m. warm-ups, tryouts 7-8 p.m. for players last name M-Z
Player Draft	N/A	N/A	**Thursday, March 26 at John Deere Financial 6-7:30 p.m.	**Thursday, March 26 at John Deere Financial 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Practice Begins	Week of April 6	Week of March 30	Week of March 30	Week of March 30
Coaches Clinic & First Aid Training	***Wednesday April 8 at Quads or indoor facility	***Wednesday April 8 at Quads or indoor facility	***Wednesday April 8 at Quads or indoor facility	***Wednesday April 8 at Quads or indoor facility
Team Pictures	****Saturday, May 2 at Timber Ridge Elementary	****Saturday, May 2 at Timber Ridge Elementary	****Saturday, May 2 at Timber Ridge Elementary	****Saturday, May 2 at Timber Ridge Elementary
Games Begin	Week of April 27 (possible double headers)	Week of April 20 (usually double headers)	Week of April 20 (usually double headers)	Week of April 20 (usually double headers)

* Pitching tryouts will occur at the end of each session. Players should bring their softball glove, bat, and defensive mask, and wear athletic clothing and tennis shoes. If a player is unable to attend her designated tryout session, she will be assessed based on her previous softball experience.

**Head coaches are required to participate in the player draft. Assistant coaches are welcome and encouraged to attend as well. If a head coach cannot attend the draft due to a conflict, an assistant coach must be present to participate.

***Coaches Clinic is 5:30-7 p.m.; First Aid Training is 7-7:30 p.m. It is **mandatory** that at least one coach/assistant coach from each team attends the First Aid Training as stated in the [JGSA Safety Manual and A Safety Awareness Program \(ASAP\)](#).

****More information will be provided about team pictures at a later date (i.e. - schedule, makeup date).

Reminders:

- **Background checks** – All coaches, assistant coaches, and team parents must complete a background check before team activities begin. Please contact [Abby Hawes](#), Safety Director, with questions or if you need a request form resent to you.
- **Schedules** – practice schedules and game schedules will be distributed to all coaches/assistant coaches when finalized.
- **Equipment** – equipment bags will be distributed to head coaches and will include softballs, bats, helmets, and catching gear.
- **Johnston Girls Little League Softball** – 10U & 12U Rec League teams will play a total of 12 regular season games to meet eligibility requirements for the [Little League All-Stars Tournament team](#). There will be no end of season tournament for any age group, which helps keep the focus on player development versus a team's win/loss record.