

The leagues depend on volunteer coaches. A huge THANK YOU to all previous, current and future coaches. These leagues do not happen without your help! This document is meant to provide information for coaches and those that are considering coaching. Any additional questions about coaching can be sent to Andy Schommer at [GilmanYouthSoftball@gmail.com](mailto:GilmanYouthSoftball@gmail.com)

- Coaches are often parents of kid(s) on their team but are not required to be. Coaches could also be adult siblings, grandparents or other family members or friends of players or community members.
- Head coaches are ultimately responsible for their team and include general duties listed below:
  - Set practice schedule
  - Run practices
  - Manage games
  - Communicate with their team's parents
  - Coordinate team sponsor (Park & Rec can help line up a sponsor, if needed)
  - Order/coordinate order of team shirts w/sponsor
- Assistant coaches/helpers are also needed, especially for the Little League. Volunteers for this role can expect some or all of the following duties:
  - Help with practice
  - Help with games (base coach, keeping book, help keep the bench organized, etc.)
  - Learn the ropes to take over as a head coach in a future year as the head coach's kid(s) advance from Little to Middle or out of the league.
- If you wish to co-coach with another coach/family, please identify that during registration.