Softball

Eligibility

• To participate in Intramural sports a player must be a current Dixie State student or employee and needs to present an ID card at every event. A player may only play on one team per sport. A player that has not played in the regular season may not be added to the roster for the tournament/playoffs; only players who have previously played on the team can play during the tournament/playoffs. If a team is eliminated the players may not play on a different team. A current DSC collegiate athlete may not play the same sport in Intramurals.

Sportsmanship

• Participation in DSC Intramurals is a privilege; it is for enjoyment and enhances the college experience. Respect for teammates, opponents, and the Intramural Staff is expected. Acknowledge that the referees are not professionals, but fellow students. Having amateur and inexperienced officials will result in inconsistencies and/or discrepancies in their calls throughout the course of a game or season. Respect for officials is mandatory, and disrespect will not be tolerated.

Rules

• Softball is played with ten players in the field for each team.
• A team may start with seven players if needed.
• Games consist of six innings or 50 minutes.
• A player starts an at bat with one strike and one ball.
• Any foul ball hit with two strikes is an automatic out.
• The pitcher must pitch the ball within a five to twelve foot range. Anything above or below that is illegal.
• All pitches must take place from behind the pitcher’s mound. The pitcher is not allowed to step in front of the pitcher’s mound until contact with the ball is made by the batter.
• Any change to the batting order must be cleared with the bookkeeper. If a player hits out of the order it is an automatic out.
• A base is provided to the side of home plate for the base runner to run to. The catcher will tag home plate, but the runner must run to the other base to avoid collisions. If the runner runs to home plate, they will be out.
• It is always a forced out at home.
• Leading off and stealing bases are not allowed. Base runners are allowed to move on contact with the ball by the batter.
• There is a no return line halfway between third base and home plate; if the runner passes that line, he must run all the way home, no running back to third.
• Each team is limited to 5 total Home Runs per game. After the home run limit is reached, home run balls will result in an automatic out. If both teams reach their 5 home runs, then a 1-up rule is instituted until the final inning.
• In the event of an infield fly, no advancement is allowed by base runners.
• Complaining will not be tolerated.
Additional Coed Rules

- There must be five guys and five girls. If necessary, five guys and four girls is allowed.
- The batting order must alternate boy/girl/boy/girl. If two guys bat in a row there will be an automatic out.
- When a girl is up to bat, everyone in the outfield must start behind the line that is painted out there. They may run up after the ball is hit.
- If a male player is walked, he automatically advances to second base and the female player on deck is given the option of hitting or taking first base.
- There is not 1-up rule for Coed, teams are allowed 5 total home runs per game.
- There must be at least two girls in the outfield, two girls in the infield, and a girl either catching or pitching.