

2025-2026 13u Lisle Slammers

About Coach Jack

Coach Jack's love for softball has driven him to both play and coach the game he's passionate about. Over the years, he's dedicated himself to coaching girls' fast-pitch softball, always showing up with energy, patience, and genuine care for his players. Even in the off-season, you'll find him working on pitching, catching, or just playing ball in the backyard with his kids. Known simply as "Coach" around the neighborhood, he's a trusted and familiar face to many. What really sets him apart is his ability to see potential in every athlete. He pushes players to grow, builds their confidence, and teaches them the value of hard work, respect, and perseverance.

Team Philosophy and Vision

At the heart of the Lisle Slammers is a commitment to creating a supportive, competitive space where young athletes can thrive. We focus on teaching softball fundamentals while also helping players grow mentally and emotionally through challenges and wins. Our goal is to build strong, confident athletes who work hard, stay positive, and support one another. With positive coaching, good communication, and a team-first mindset, we aim to help each player reach their full potential, on and off the field.

General Expectations

Team commitment is key for the level of play we are moving towards. Practice days and frequency will vary depending on the time of the year. Players involved in other sports or activities are still expected to attend, even if arriving late. All absences, except for illness or emergencies, must be communicated in advance.

Every player is required to work with a private hitting coach, and pitchers must train regularly with a private instructor. While we work on individual and team development during practice, the extra work players put in outside of team activities, working on what they have learned is what allows them to make the biggest strides.

Playing time will vary depending on game situations, but is earned based on effort, hustle, attitude, accountability, and how well players apply what's been taught. Players should come to every practice and game ready to compete, support each other, and represent the Slammers with positivity and respect.

Strong communication, coachability, and a team-first mindset are expected at all times, from both players and families.

Most team correspondence will be made through the GameChanger app. For direct contact to Coach Jack feel free to email LisleSlammersJD@Gmail.com or call/text 630-487-9324



Season Timeline and Fees:

Fall Season(Mid August through Late October)

- Mandatory Player and Parent Team Meeting
- Group fundraising event
- Practice 2x/week on Lisle Field
- Cage day 1x/week at Lisle Cages
- Random "Friendly" Games
- 2-3 Local Round Robins (3 games in one day)
- 1 Tournament in October

Off Season (November)

• Practice 1x per week (1 hour cage/2 hours field) Mandatory

(December)

- Team-building/charitable events (specifics TBD)
- No Team softball activities in December

Winter/Early Spring (January – March)

- Indoor Practice 2x/week (Mandatory)
- Round Robins, Weekend Double Headers or an Indoor league

Primary Season (April through July)

- Practice 2x per week
- Cage Day 1x per week
- Local "Friendly" games (weekday evening or weekend)
- April-July: **3** Round Robins (weekend games)
- April-July: **7-8** Tournaments
 - o **1-2** of the tournaments to be out of State (drivable)

Fees: \$2,000 for the year, collected in three non-refundable installments:

\$1,000 due August 1st \$500 due November 1st \$500 due January 1st

This Includes:

- 2 sets of uniforms (Jerseys, Pants, Socks, Belts)
- Helmet with *#* and Team Logo
- Bat Bag with Embroidered Name, # and Team Logo (new players to team)
- Tournament Fees, Umpire and Field Fees
- Indoor Facility and Cage Rental Fees
- Team Equipment

Please Note: Each player will need their own Personal Equipment including glove, bat, cleats, facemask (and Catchers Equipment if catcher). Private specialty instructors are highly encouraged and hitting instructors are mandatory.