



START SMART, created by the National Alliance for Youth Sports, is a nationally acclaimed program that helps kids get ready for sports...and succeed in life. It is an innovative step-by-step approach that builds confidence and self-esteem in a fun and safe sports environment.

The Start Smart Baseball Program is for BYA players 3-5 years old. The program prepares children and their parents for organized tee-ball and baseball. This 7-week Child/Parent program will meet 1 hour per week on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm – 7:30pm at the State Street Elementary School gymnasium.

Each participant will receive a ball & bat set, glove and 2 Koosh balls, program t-shirt, and *The Sport in Me* workbook all to take home. Cost of the program is \$50 per player. All participating players will receive a \$20 credit towards their 2019 BYA regular season registration.



## Start Smart Program Schedule

Date	Time	Session
Thursday, February 7, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Program Intro - Parent Meeting
Thursday, February 14, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 1 Training
Thursday, February 21, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 2 Training
Thursday, February 28, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 3 Training
Thursday, March 7, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 4 Training
Thursday, March 14, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 5 Training
Thursday, March 21, 2019	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Week 6 Training

Registration for the Start Smart program will open on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at [www.BadenYouth.org](http://www.BadenYouth.org). Only 12 spots will be available and are offered on first-come-first-serve basis. We expect the spots to fill quickly. No prior baseball experience is necessary, and the program is offered to current BYA players and their siblings only.

The BYA is committed to offering quality programs that focus on player development and positive reinforcement. To support our efforts, we're creating new partnerships with [NAYS](#) and the [Positive Coaching Alliance](#) to bring exclusive training to our administrators, coaches and parents. This program is one of several new initiatives that we'll be rolling out in support of our mission.