

## **6U Skills Checklist - Spring 2026**

This checklist is a guide for parents and coaches to evaluate areas of focus for their 6U athletes and to represent a readiness guide for the next level of softball (8U).

Fielding	
	Uses two hands to field groundball (Alligator) Fields ball between legs consistently Moves toward the ball, doesn't wait
Throwing	
	Steps with correct foot Throws with elbow up (no chicken wing) Points glove toward target
Catching	
	Attempts to catch glove up (High Five position)  Meets the ball (steps towards ball while catching)  Understands squeezing the glove
Hitting	
	Knows where to stand in the box (takes correct batting stance)  No issue hitting off hitting tee  Confident hitting off coach
Baserunning	
	Runs hard to every base Runs through 1st base Can identify each base by name
Gameplay	
	Consistently listens to coaches' directions  Actively cheers on teammates  Can put on and use equipment without assistance