### **KABOOM KICKBALL SKILLS & DRILLS**

# 1. KICKING

### SKILL -

- a. Use shoelace part of shoe to strike ball.
- b. To kick the balls on the ground have head and knee over the ball.
- c. To kick the ball in the air lean back.
- d. Aim by pointing your non-kicking foot in the direction you want your kick to go.

# **DRILL - Kicking Stacks**

Equipment Needed: Kickball

Set Up: No set up needed.

#### How To

- 1. Place players into stacks.
- 2. The players should spread out to half field.
- 3. They kick the ball from one end to another.

# 2. THROWING/FIELDING GROOUNDERS

#### a. THROWING SKILL -

- o Bring arm back in circular motion.
- Step with opposite leg forward.
- Opposite arm points towards target.
- At top of circular motion, L shape is created with throwing arm.
- When releasing ball, throwing arm should go down across their body, and back leg brought forward.

### a. CATCHING GROUNDERS SKILL -

- o Be on toes.
- o Butt down, knees bent, and body behind the ball.
- o Once ball reaches player, lower hands down to clamp the ball.

# **DRILL** – Partner Fielding

Equipment Needed: Kickball

Set Up: No set up needed.

#### How To:

- 1. Place players into pairs.
- 2. Then split them into stacks.
- 3. Once players are in partners, have them throw and catch back and forth.

- 4. If there is a wall, have them line up in stacks and throw the ball at the wall.
- 5. Once they are comfortable throwing work on fielding ground balls.
- 6. One player rolls the ball to their partner.
- 7. Then they field it and roll it back to their partner to field.

# 3. THROWING/CATCHING POP UPS

#### SKILL -

- a. Keep eyes on the ball.
- b. When judging a fly ball, players should always move back before moving forward.
- c. Two hands to catch ball in front and overhead.

# **DRILL - Partner Pop Ups**

Equipment Needed: Kickball

Set Up: No set up needed.

#### How To:

- 1. Place players into partners
- 2. Then split them into 2 stacks.
- 3. Have them do partner Pop-Ups.
- 4. One player throws the ball up in the air and the second player tries to catch it.
- 5. If this does not work then the Instructor throws pop ups, each player taking a turn catching them

### 4. RUNNING BASES

### SKILL -

- a. Run through first base.
- b. Rounding bases.
- c. Stealing bases: two-step lead, never cross feet, run with head down.
- d. Home Run Trot.

# **DRILL – Running Tree**

**Equipment Needed:** Cones

<u>Set Up</u>: Have a baseball diamond set up if there is not one available.

### How To

- 1. Players should run single, double, triple, homerun.
- 2. Instructor should pretend to be a pitcher, while a player is on first trying to steal a base.
- 3. Instructor should pretend to come to stretch, pick players off, or throw home.