

Welcome to the 2010 Big League Baseball World Series
July 28th – August 4th

We wish to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2010 Big League Baseball World Series at JB "Red" Owens Complex in Easley, South Carolina. We are very pleased to host 11 highly qualified teams from around the world who will compete for the title World Series Champions. We have prepared information to assist you as a participant in the 2010 World Series. With your support and cooperation, the 2010 Big League Baseball World Series will be a most enjoyable and rewarding experience for all of the participants.

WORLD SERIES DIRECTOR
Jon Humphrey

HOST SITE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR
Tommy Keef, South Carolina District 1

EASLEY, SOUTH CAROLINA INFORMATION

For information on the city of Easley, SC please visit <http://www.cityofeasley.net>

TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

Little League International has secured travel arrangements for all United States teams participating in the World Series. All International teams will be booked as Regional Champions are determined. Whether arrangements are being made by Little League or not, your Regional Director will provide you with travel arrangement information.

It is very difficult in working with the airlines regarding changes to schedules. It might be impossible to change a return home earlier than scheduled. Little League will do its best to accommodate teams. However, the airline industry is informing us that if changes are made to a schedule, there will be a per person penalty plus any additional costs as the result of the change. Therefore, it might be necessary to return a Regional Champion to the tournament site and make arrangements to get them to the closest airport serviced by the airlines we are utilizing. Of course, space availability is the key issue.

All travel arrangements will be coordinated through the manager. It is then critical that the manager communicate this information to the players, parents or guardians.

We will provide airport and game transportation. Additionally, teams can rent vehicles for their own use, if they choose. Vans will be available for rent at a significant discount. See Thrifty flyer attached and coordinate with your host family.

Side trips can be arranged for the teams through your host families.

Transportation to the games will be provided using passenger vans according to game schedule.

- Vans should make NO STOPS between the Village and Fields
- Baseball cleats are NOT to be worn in vehicles
- Only residents of the Village can ride the official vehicles-and only with the proper security ID pass. No family members, etc.

Transportation After the Game

Both participating teams will be transported by passenger vans to SWU immediately following each game. In some cases, some member of each team will be asked to be interviewed. Guidelines for interviews are located on previous pages of this publication. Participants of the media briefing may be transported in a separate van.

TEAM HOST FAMILIES

Team Host families play a major role in every player's World Series experience. These dedicated individuals volunteer their time to be ambassadors of good will for Big League Baseball. Each team is assigned one family who will take on various responsibilities, from arranging uniform fittings to helping in the coordination of the media activities involving the teams. These volunteers spend every day of the World Series week with their assigned team providing guidance and assistance to the players, coaches and managers. The Host families also provide a valuable wealth of knowledge to parents and relatives who have traveled to the World Series.

HOUSING AND MEALS

All player participants, managers, coaches and umpires will be housed at dormitories on the campus of Southern Wesleyan University. (<http://www.swu.edu>)

Each Team's Manager and Coaches are responsible for their own team. SWU is equipped with air-conditioned dormitories, a recreation hall, an infirmary and a dining hall. These facilities are to be treated with respect. If there are any difficulties regarding the facilities, please notify your team host family and they will contact housekeeping.

When traveling to and from the fields for practices and games as well as meals, a manager or coach must accompany the entire team. Should a manager or coach need to leave SWU or their team, always insure the team is properly represented and supervised.

The curfew of all teams is **1:00am**. If your team is playing a late game, the curfew may be extended until the team is showered.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided at SWU Stewart Bennett Hall Cafeteria. Should any team elect not to eat a meal in the dining hall, the manager must notify the dining hall at least 2 hours prior to the meal. This notification will help the kitchen staff manage the food preparations more efficiently.

Evening meals are provided and prepared by volunteers. Teams are expected to attend all evening meals. In the rare event that a team will not participate in the evening meal, notification must be given to the volunteers **24 hours** in advance. Your host family can help in these special cases.

UNIFORMS AND DRESS CODE

Each player, coach and manager will receive a World Series uniform that consists of:

- One game jersey w/ patch
- One pair of baseball pants
- One pair of socks
- One belt
- One team hat

Each player, coach and manager must return the uniform items listed below prior to leaving the dormitories:

- One game jersey w/ patch
- One pair of baseball pants
- One belt

Teams will be charged \$100 per uniform not turned in. Credit Cards are not accepted. Uniforms jerseys will **NOT** be sold to any team member!!

Uniforms will be laundered at the end of every day. The team will collect all uniforms into bag(s) and deliver them to the reception area of Stuart Bennett Hall **before** 12 midnight.

Managers & Coaches, Dress Code:

For “Pool Play” portion of schedule Managers and Coaches will be required to wear uniform shirts or World Series shirts, with either shorts or trousers or full uniforms...team-coaching staff must all be dressed alike.

For Championship Games (Aug 3 - 4)...Full uniform will be worn. No Shorts...Team coaching staff must all be dressed alike...**no exceptions.**

MANAGERS AND COACHES MEETING

On Tuesday July 27th, at 2:00pm, there will be a mandatory managers meeting held at SWU. The purpose of the briefing is to provide information on the expectations and policies surrounding the World Series participants.

The \$500 deposit for all teams will be due at this meeting.

The coin tosses for all pool games will also be done at this meeting.

Each team will submit their tournament affidavit with supporting documents to the Tournament Director at the Coaches Meeting. The supporting documents and a copy of the affidavit will be returned to each team for the tournament. The original affidavit will stay with the Tournament Director for the duration of the World Series. The documents you will be required to provide upon arrival are as follows:

- Envelope with the residency proof for each player
- Eligibility affidavit
- Copies of birth records for each player
- Eligibility waivers for any player otherwise ineligible
- Map of the boundaries of your league

- Any additional waivers concerning the eligibility of your team
- In addition to the team eligibility information, medical release forms and affidavit, it is highly recommended that World Series teams bring current immunization records with them for each manager, coach, and player in case our medical staff needs them.

PARADE OF TEAMS CEREMONIES

The Parade of Teams Ceremonies will be held on Field 1, Saturday July 31st, prior to the night game. Your team's host family will help arrange and line up your teams.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Championship game will be held on Wednesday, Aug 4th at 8pm. This game will be televised Live on ESPN.

Plaques and the Championship Banner will be presented after the Championship game. All teams are expected to attend.

Important Information for Families

We have selected a hotel that will provide discounted room rates to families and other guests. When calling for reservations make sure they know you are with the Big League World Series.

Please call: Hampton Inn
8 Southern Center Court
Easley, SC 29640
864-343-3636 Or visit www.hamptoninn.com

Directions to the hotel: Take I-85 to exit 40, head North on Highway 153 towards Easley and travel 5.5 miles. The road will split; stay left, you will head straight over the bridge, then circle right and go under the bridge. You will be on Highway 123. Continue on Highway 123, The Hampton inn is behind the Outback Steakhouse on the left.

Directions from Comfort Inn to JB "Red" Owens Complex: Take Hwy123 to Easley. Travel approximately 2 miles to Highway 8, exit to the right, with the Easley water tower to your right. At the bottom of the ramp take a left and go under the overpass. Go about 1/4 mile, at the second red light, turn left between Wal-Mart and CVS. The complex will be approximately one mile down on the left.

Broadcasting Information

Certain games will be broadcast on the web. Please visit bigleagueworldseries.org and youthsportslive.com for more detailed information.

**2010 Big League Baseball World Series—Game Schedule
(Subject to Change)**

| 2010 Big League Baseball World Series Schedule | | | | | | | | | | R3 | 06/22/10 | |
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| Pool A | | | | | Pool B | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | International | | | | | | | |
| 1.1.1.0.0.1 | Central | | | | 0.1.1.1.0.1 | Canada | | | | | | |
| 1.0.1.1.1.0 | SC Dist 1 | | | | 1.1.1.0.1.0 | Latin America | | | | | | |
| 0.1.1.1.0.1 | Southeast | | | | 1.0.0.1.1.1 | Asia-Pacific | | | | | | |
| 0.1.1.1.0.1 | Southwest | | | | 1.0.1.1.1.0 | EMEA | | | | | | |
| 1.1.1.0.0.1 | West | | | | 1.0.1.1.1.0 | Puerto Rico | | | | | | |
| 1.0.1.1.1.0 | East | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wednesday | | | | | Thursday | | | | | Friday | | |
| 28-Jul | | | | | 29-Jul | | | | | 30-Jul | | |
| 4:00 | Field 1 | EMEA | Latin America | 4:00 | Field 1 | Field 1 | West | Southeast | Field 1 | 9:00 | Field 1 | West |
| 4:00 | Field 3 | Central | East | 4:00 | Field 3 | Field 3 | West | Southwest | Field 1 | 4:00 | Field 1 | Latin America |
| 7:30 | Field 1 | SC Dist 1 | West | 7:30 | Field 1 | Field 1 | Central | Canada | Field 3 | 4:00 | Field 3 | Canada |
| 7:30 | Field 3 | Asia-Pacific | Puerto Rico | 7:30 | Field 3 | Field 3 | Latin America | Canada | Field 1 | 7:30 | Field 1 | East |
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| Saturday | | | | | Sunday | | | | | Monday | | |
| 31-Jul | | | | | 1-Aug | | | | | 2-Aug | | |
| 9:00 | Field 1 | Puerto Rico | Canada | 12:00 | Field 1 | Field 1 | East | SC Dist 1 | Field 1 | 9:00 | Field 1 | Canada |
| 11:30 | Field 1 | Asia-Pacific | EMEA | 2:30 | Field 1 | Field 1 | East | Latin America | Field 1 | 4:00 | Field 1 | Central |
| 2:00 | Field 1 | Southwest | East | 5:00 | Field 1 | Field 1 | Asia-Pacific | EMEA | Field 1 | 7:30 | Field 1 | West |
| 6:00 | Field 1 | Parade of Teams | | 7:30 | Field 1 | Field 1 | Puerto Rico | | | | | |
| 7:30 | Field 1 | SC Dist 1 | Southeast | | | | | | | | | |
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| Tuesday | | | | | Wednesday | | | | | | | |
| 3-Aug | | | | | 4-Aug | | | | | | | |
| 4:00 | Field 1 | International Semi-Final | | 8:00pm | | | | Championship Game | | | | |
| 7:30 | Field 1 | US Semi-Final | | | | | | Live on ESPN | | | | |

Reminders

- Team pictures and game photos will be available for purchase
- **All teams are required to submit deposit \$500.00 (USD) cash for damages.** This will be returned upon uniform return and inspection at departure.
- Do not forget affidavits
- Do not forget your country and/or state flag
- Airport and game transportation is provided
- Family Fun Night- Tuesday, July 27th. All teams will be required to stay through the festivities.
- Parade of Teams Ceremonies-Saturday, July 31st.
- Laundry will be provided for uniforms and linen service will be provided for managers, coaches and umpires.
- In addition to the team eligibility information, medical release forms and affidavit, it is highly recommended that World Series teams bring current immunization records with them for each manager, coach, and player in case our medical staff needs them.