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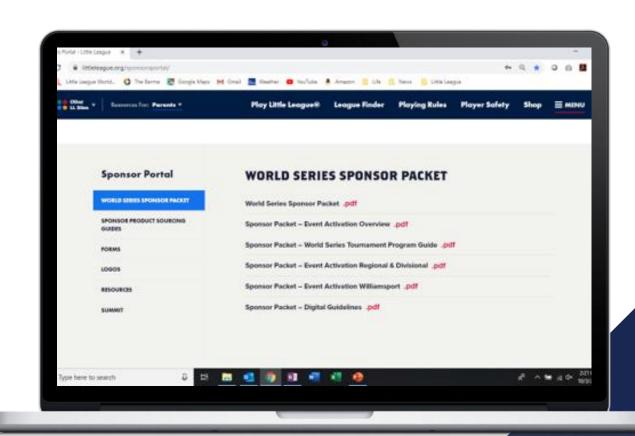
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Password: Ilws2020

Meeting Room WiFi

Select: MGMResorts-WiFi





LITTLE LEAGUE® TEAM







Senior Director of Operations & Education









What is your brand's goal for the Little League partnership this year?



Thank you to all who volunteered their time and energy to the world's largest and best youth sports program in 2019, and we can't wait for 2020!





PROGRAMMING AND OPERATIONAL UPDATES





Leagues are required to re-charter With Little League International every year.



TEAM

PARENTS

MARKETING/

PR MANAGER

INFORMATION

OFFICER

SPONSORSHIP

AND FUNDRAISING

OFFICER

CONCESSIONS

MANAGER

FIELD

MAINTENANCE

UMPIRE IN

CHIEF

MANAGERS

& COACHES

(2 TO 3/TEAM)

SOFTBALL

VICE PRESIDENT

CHALLENGER

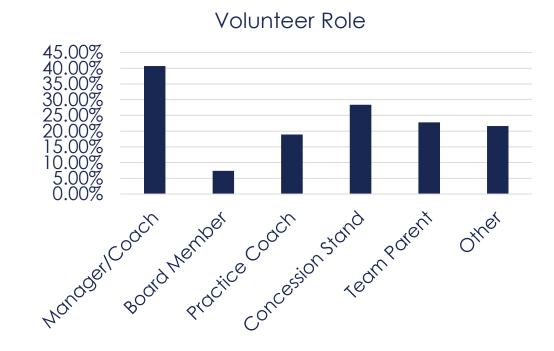
VICE PRESIDENT

UMPIRES

VOLUNTEERISM: CURRENT VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

Currently 50.9% of parents are volunteering within their local league.

- Most common volunteer roles:
 - Manager/Coach
 - Concession Worker
 - Team Parent
 - Practice Coach
 - Board Member



Our goal is to increase volunteerism and make it easier to administer the program

RULES & REGULATIONS

- Process for Rules & Regulation
 Changes
 - Mandatory Play
 - Tie Breakers
- Training
 - Umpires
 - District Administrator Standards
 - Coaches



REGIONAL ROUNDTABLES DATES & LOCATIONS

- West Region San Diego, CA
 - January 24-27, 2020
- Southwest Region Houston, TX
 - February 6-9, 2020
- Southeast Region Charlotte, NC
 - February 20-23, 2020
- East Region Hartford, CT
 - March 5-8, 2020
- Central Region Cincinnati, OH
 - March 12-15, 2020





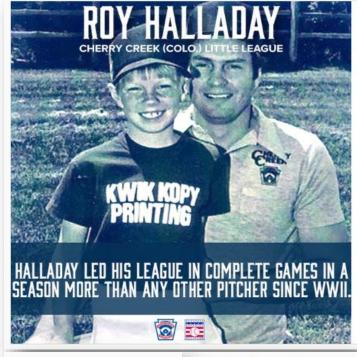
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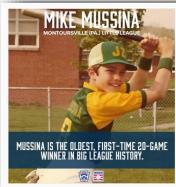
- The Cuban Baseball Federation (CBF) aligned its youth baseball program for children 4 to 12 years old with Little League Baseball®
- Approximately 170 programs were brought to Little League
- Cuba participated in its first ever Little League Regional Tournament for the Caribbean region



LITTLE LEAGUE® ALUMNI INDUCTIONS

MLB HALL OF FAME











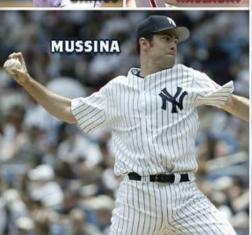


@MLBNetwork from Williamsport, the home of @LittleLeague Baseball..Lamade Stadium scoreboard lit up tonight..congratulations to our own Mike Mussina...

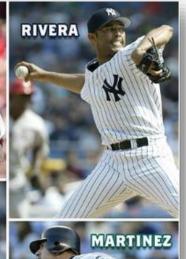














GRANT PROGRAMMING





GIRLS WITH GAME

- Began in March 2019
- Movement to encourage female participation
- Highlight current Little League players and alumni



PARTNER HIGHLIGHTS

- Formal MLB/Little League Business Arrangement
- T-Mobile Little League Home Run Derby
- adidas partnership and player experience elevation
- MLB Little League Classic







LITTLE LEAGUE® WORLD SERIES EXPANSION

OPERATIONAL IMPACT OF EXPANSION

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL®

Beginning in 2021

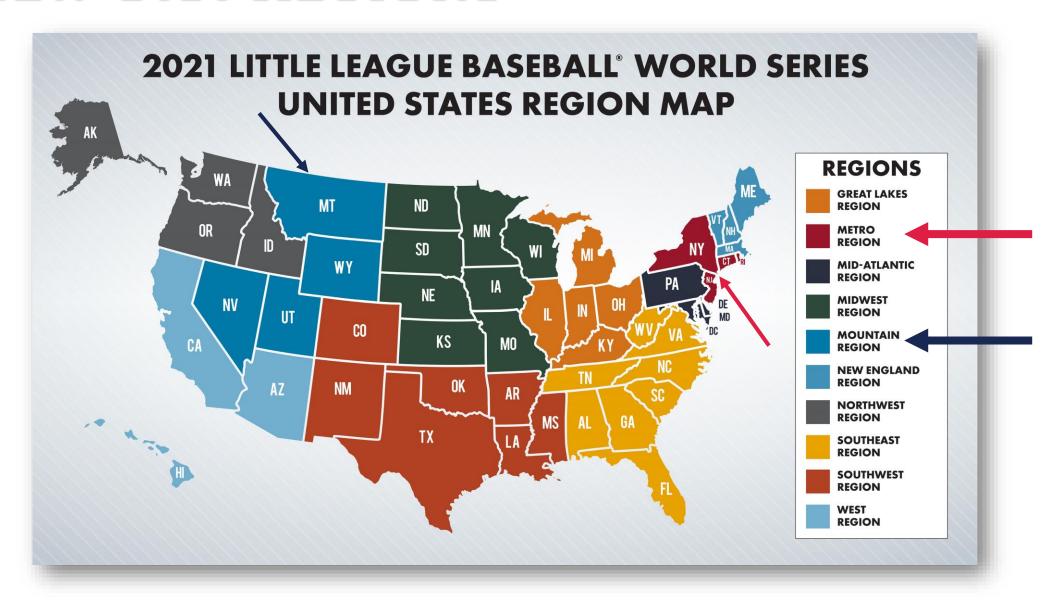
Total Teams: 20

Additional Games: 6

- Schedule: One additional day added to the schedule
 - Tournament will begin on Wednesday



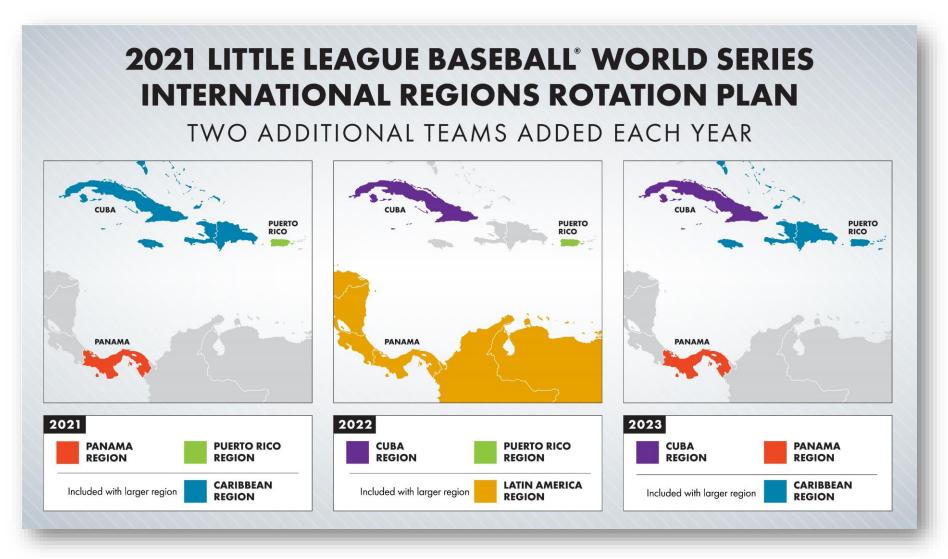
NEW U.S. REGIONS



INTERNATIONAL REGIONS



NEW INTERNATIONAL REGION ROTATION



First regions to be represented in 2021 chosen via blind draw at the 2020 LLWS Luncheon

PROPOSED DAY-BY-DAY SCHEDULE

Day 1 (Wed.)	Day 2 (Thu.)	Day 3 (Fri.)	Day 4 (Sat.)	Day 5 (Sun.)	Day 6 (Mon.)
International (G1)	International (G5)	International (G9)	International (G13)	International (G17)	International (G21)
U.S. (G2)	U.S. (G6)	U.S. (G10)	U.S. (G14)	U.S. (G18)	U.S. (G22)
International (G3)	International (G7)	International (G11)	International (G15)	International (G19)	International (G23)
U.S. (G4)	U.S. (G8)	U.S. (G12)	U.S. (G16)	U.S. (G20)	U.S. (G24)
Day 7 (Tue.)	Day 8 (Wed.)	Day 9 (Thur.)	Day 10 (Fri.)	Day 11 (Sat.)	Day 12 (Sun.)
International (G25)	International (G29)	International (G33)		Challenger Game	Consolation Game
U.S. (G26)	U.S. (G30)	U.S. (G34)		International Championship	World Championship
International (G27)	International (G31)			U.S. Championship	
U.S. (G28)	U.S. (G32)				

OPERATIONAL IMPACT OF EXPANSION

LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL®

- Overview of expansion and the impact on operations
 - o Total Teams: 12
 - Total Games: Modified double elimination will net six fewer games
 - Schedule: No additional days will be added
- Consider day-to-day operational support for local volunteers



NEW U.S. REGIONS



INTERNATIONAL REGIONS





FACILITY UPGRADES

LLBWS | WILLIAMSPORT, PA

TEAM ACCOMMODATIONS

- Additional dorm
- New infirmary
- New laundry facilities
- Additional batting cages
- Lights for practice field
- Studio
- Concession stand upgrades





COMPLEX UPGRADES

- Additional restrooms
- Concession and gift shop renovations
- Additional parking (hard scape)
- Satellite concessions and restrooms
- Revised layout of fan areas





INDIANAPOLIS REGIONAL CENTER

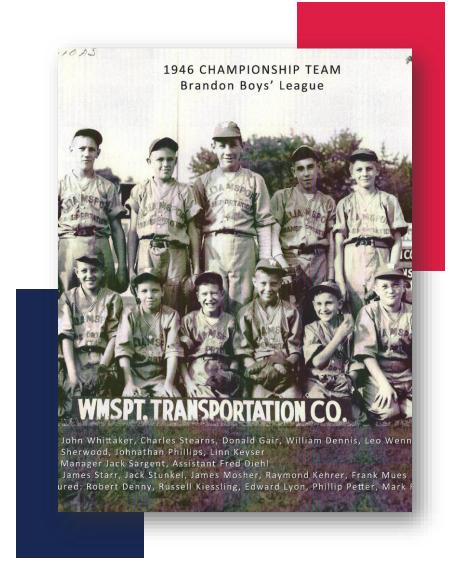
- New site build starting in early 2020
- Expected completion –
 Summer 2021
- Whitestown, IN
- Capital fundraising initiative



LITTLE LEAGUE® WORLD SERIES 75TH ANNIVERSARY

 2021 marks the 75th Little League Baseball World Series







AUDIENCES

Clubhouse

- Volunteers
- Administrators
- Districts
- League Officials
- Umpires
- Coaches

Starting Lineup

- Players
- Parents
- Caregivers
- Families

Box Seats

- Supporters
- Partners
- Licensees
- Alumni

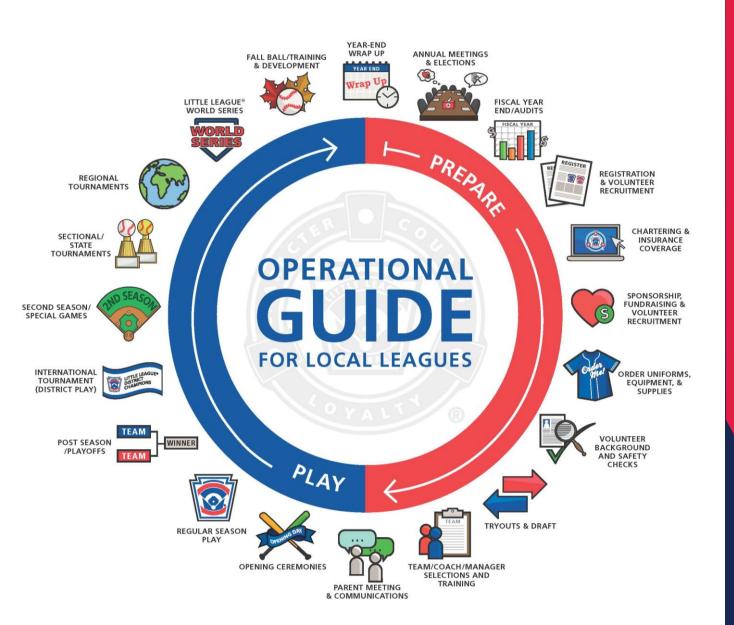
Fans

- Public
- Media
- Social followers
- Local communities

AUDIENCES & DEMOGRAPHICS

- Audiences tend to skew slightly male
- Age distribution trends 35 and younger
- Largely English-speaking, U.S. residents with notable periods of interest elsewhere





LITTLE LEAGUE® CONTENT STRATEGY

PRE-SEASON

- Chartering
- Election of the Board of Directors
- Revising Local League bylaws
- Purchasing insurance coverage
- Background checks
- Budget development



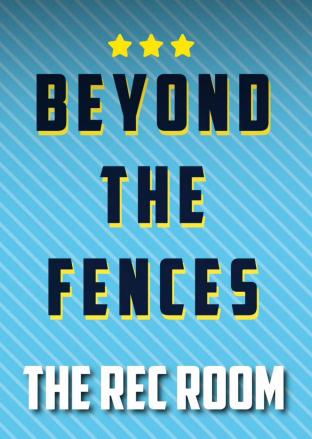
REGULAR/TOURNAMENT-SEASON

- Games begin!
- Player eligibility
- Education of managers & coaches
- All-Stars
- Tournaments begin
- Regionals
- World Series



WORLD SERIES

- Focused on our own ownable content (5+ years)
- Little League created content
- Social engagement
- Investment in paid digital to entice registration and local league engagement





CONTENT TYPES

- Email/Newsletters
- Website
- Social
- Print Assets
- Special Events
- Paid Advertising

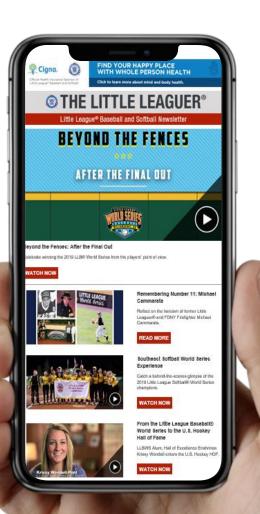


EMAIL BLASTS

- Most effective and broadest communication tool
- Top way parents receive information about Little League
- Email database of over 1.8 million
- Ability to segment based upon target audience:
 - Role in Little League
 - Location (geo-target)
 - Player age groups



ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS



- Ability to place content targeted to specific Little League audience groups
 - Coaches, League Officers, District Officers, Parents, Umpires
- Integrate sponsor messaging/offerings into timely communications
- Newsletters sent monthly to dedicated segments
- Results are trackable open and click rates to help measure success

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Social Media continues to be a growing medium where Little League® constituents receive their information
- Posts should be engaging, fun, and fit within the general Little League voice and schedule
- When involving Little Leaguers®, posts should highlight overall team effort, good sportsmanship, teamwork, character, etc.
- Content should be supportive and representative of the Little League partnership
- Recommended post styles:
 - High quality images, video, or graphics
 - Light-hearted GIFs or animations
 - Polls, surveys, or response-based posts
 - Information about exclusive offers or contests



TOP HIGHLIGHTS EXAMPLES



He's from New Jersey, but Yadi Mateo pumps his own gas #LLWS

Total Social Reach: 8.3+ Million



#GirlsWithGame Campaign

Total Social Reach: 10+ Million

SHIFTING SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

Account Followers After LLWS (% Growth From Previous Year)

Platform	2016	2017	2018	2019
Facebook	299,000 (+26.7%)	362,000 (+21.1%)	428,000 (+18.2%)	468,900 (+9.55%)
Twitter	53,000 (+51.4%)	67,500 (+27.4%)	80,000 (+18.5%)	88,400 (+10.5%)
Instagram	50,000 (+250%)	88,600 (+77.2%)	135,000 (+52.4%)	191,400 (+41.8%)







NEW DIGITAL INITIATIVES

- Websites re-platformed and optimized
- Rulebook app
- Additional content partnerships
- Mobile first mindset for digital initiatives



LUNCH

Table 1	Table 2	Table 3	Table 4
Liz Brown	Dustin Solomon	Kevin Feinberg	Grace Christenson
Nick Caringi	Dallas Miller	Jena Dalykas	Mike Niego
Uzma Rawn	Uzma Rawn Jeremy Cohen Austin Hurv		Lauren Li
Art Brady	Dana Vidale	Lauren Ahasic	Jesse Ladoue
Dave Natale	Ashley Howard	Greg Huff	Ashley Bezilla
Shawna Ryan	Cole Parsons	John Coppo	Adam Abney
Alex Reinhard	Deidra Maddock	Brittany Clarahan	Keith Friedenberg
Calin Thomas	Jennifer Cody	Katlyn Linnehan	Harrison Hess
Amanda Bauer	Brian Hodges	Mike Thompson	Rick Weldon
		Ryan Kocher	



KEYS TO SUCCESS

- Find new ways to look at existing assets
- Understand the mindset of a Little League volunteer at certain key times
- Create authentic and custom content

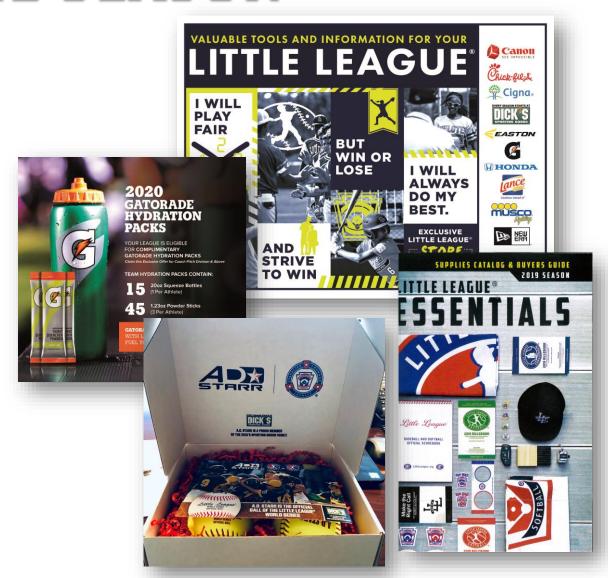




ASSETS & OPPORTUNITIES

PREPARING FOR THE SEASON

- First opportunity to communicate with league admins as they set up their Little League
- Chartering Incentives
- League Supply Mailer
- Little League Essentials Supply Catalog (licensing publication)



OFFERS, INCENTIVES, & PROGRAMMING AWARENESS

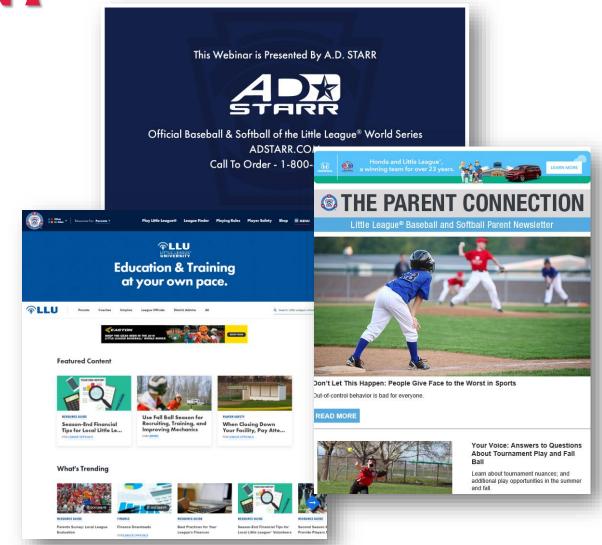
Providing value to Little League families

- Batter Up Email (Feb)
- Tournament Season Sponsor Email (May)
- Banner ads (ongoing)
 - LittleLeague.org
 - Local league sites (through Stack Sports/ Blue Sombrero)
 - Newsletters
- Partner Pages (ongoing)



EDITORIAL CONTENT

- Little League University content contribution
- Newsletter content
- Training of volunteers



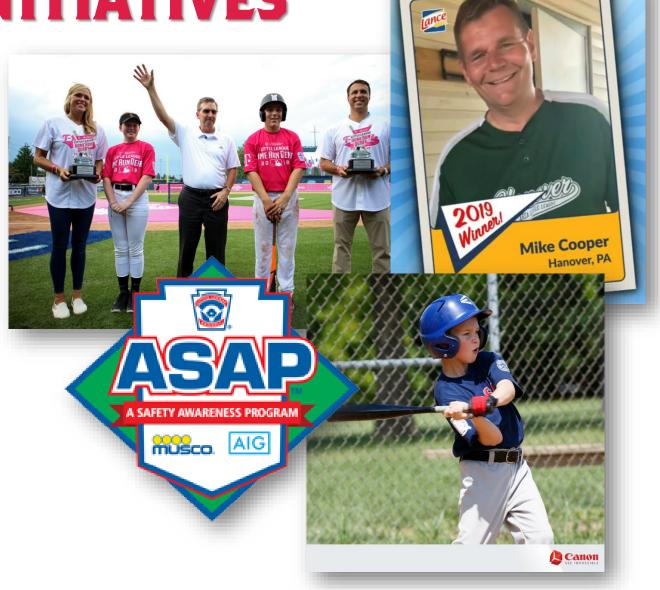
REGULAR SEASON SPECIAL EVENTS

- Clinics, Roadshows, State meetings
- Little League Organized Meetings
 - Roundtables 2020
 - Purpose and opportunities to get involved
 - Congress 2022 Anaheim, CA



LOCAL LEAGUE INITIATIVES

- Grant Programs
- Local League Programs
- Contests, Awards,
 Sweepstakes
- Focus Groups





2020 TIMELINE

Little League Baseball® World Series Scoreboard Opt-in Due **6/26**

Final Little League[®]
World Series Program
Ads Due
5/20

Final Little League Baseball® World Series Activation Plan

2

Content Capture Overview

&

Little League Baseball® World Series Power and Internet Requirements Form

2

Load-in Date/Time Request

&

Ticket, Meal, Parking, and Museum Pass Request Due

7/10

Jan \rightarrow Feb \rightarrow Mar \rightarrow Apr \rightarrow May \rightarrow June \rightarrow July \rightarrow Aug \rightarrow Sept \rightarrow Oct \rightarrow Nov \rightarrow Dec

Activation Concept

2.

Regional and Divisional Tournament Participation Form Due 4/3 Giveaway Participation Form Due 5/8

> Final Regional and Divisional Activation Plan Due

> > 6/5

Little League Baseball® World Series 8/20 – 8/30

Little League Baseball® World Series Scoreboard Assets Due

&

Load-in Date/Time Finalized

7/24

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

- Enrollment for eligible leagues and player ages 8-16 begins annually on June 1st
- 6 levels of play in Little League Baseball® ending in a World Series Tournament
- 5 levels of play in Little League Softball® ending in a World Series Tournament
- Divisional tournaments below Little League® (Major Division) culminate at the state level
- Special Games for younger divisions often operated on league/district level

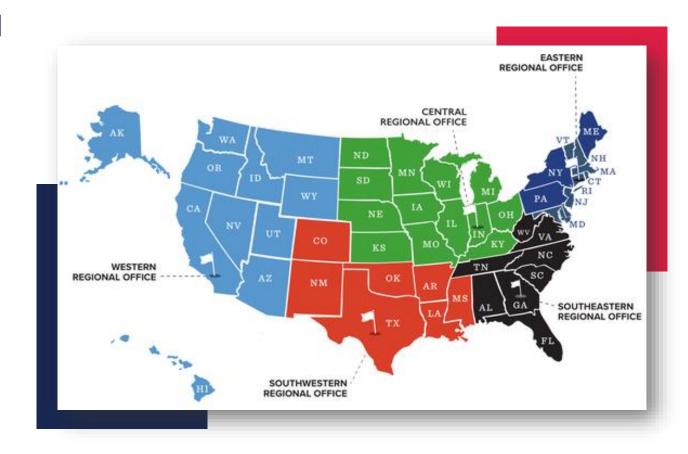
District Section State Regional Divisional



REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

OVERVIEW | U.S. REGIONS

- Staffed by Little League®
 employees along with dedicated
 volunteers
- Attendance is heavily influenced by local teams that are present
- Evening games historically draw the largest crowds
- Opening Days are typically the highest trafficked days



2020 OPENING WEEKEND LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

- To capitalize on the highest traffic days at the Regional events, Little League® is recommending specific activations for the baseball and softball regional tournaments
- Assigned hours, similar to LLBWS
- Create a Family Fun Zone feel at each event
- Multiple booth activations will attract more traffic
- Opportunity to work with additional sponsors



2020 REGIONAL TOURNAMENT DATES

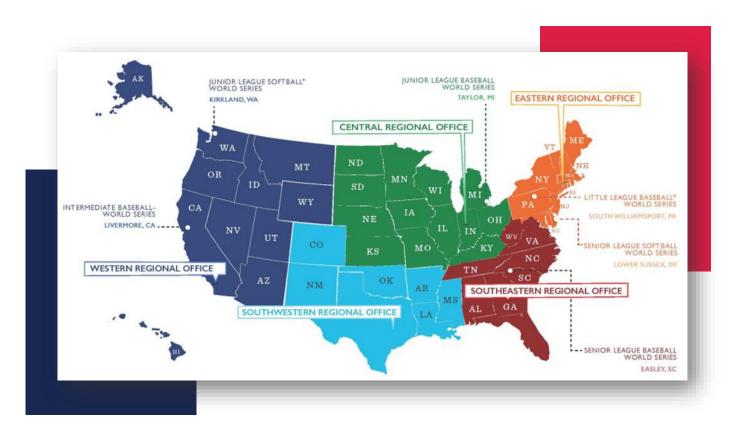
Tournament	Sport	Dates	Welcome Event Dates	Suggested On-site Activation Dates
East	Softball	July 25 - 30	July 24 th	Saturday, July 25 th & Sunday, July 26 th
	Baseball (Mid-Atlantic & New England)	August 9 - 15	August 8 th	Sunday, August 9 th & Monday, August 10 th
Southeast	Softball	July 25 - 29	July 24 th	Saturday, July 25 th & Sunday, July 26 th
	Baseball	August 7 - 12	August 6 th	Friday, August 7 th & Saturday, August 8 th
Southwest	Softball	July 26 - 30	July 25 th	Sunday, July 26 th & Monday, July 27 th
	Baseball	August 6 - 12	August 5 th	Thursday, August 6 th & Friday, August 7 th
West	Softball	July 25 - 31	July 24 th	Saturday, July 25 th & Sunday, July 26 th
	Baseball (West & Northwest)	August 9 - 15	August 8 th	Sunday, August 9 th & Monday, August 10 th
Central	Softball	July 27 - 31	July 27 th	Monday, July 27 th & Tuesday, July 28 th
	Baseball (Midwest & Great Lakes)	August 8 - 15	August 8 th	Saturday, August 8 th & Sunday, August 9 th



DIVISIONAL TOURNAMENTS

OVERVIEW | DIVISIONS

- Run by a key group of volunteers (Host Committee)
- Core tournament expenses funded by Little League International
- Hosted at local league facilities in six different markets across the US
- Welcome Event opportunities
- Community-based events



2019 CASE STUDY: LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL® WORLD SERIES

In 2019, many sponsors had an increased focus on the Little League Softball® World Series to give the softball competitors and fans a memorable experience.



SPONSOR ACTIVATIONS AT LLSWS

adidas

- Uniform/Cleat Distribution
- Product Drops
- Players Lounge
- Makers Lab

<u>Gatorade</u>

- Product Support
 - Powder
 - Premiums

Chick-fil-A

- Welcome Lunch
- Volunteer Meal
- Challenger Picnic
- Concessions Sales
- CFA One App Geofence Offer

T-Mobile

Mobile Showroom

Easton

- Product Distribution
 - Catcher's Gear
 - Batting Gloves
 - Batting Helmets
 - Bat Pack
 - Bats

DSG

 Drawstring Bags for Giveaways











50/70



July 26 - August 2

LLSWS



August 5 - 12

JLBWS



August 9 - 16

JLSWS



July 26 - August 1

SLBWS



July 25 - August 1

SLSWS



July 27 - August 2



LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL® WORLD SERIES

2019 LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL® WORLD SERIES



305,339

Total estimated attendance at the LLBWS in Williamsport



345 Games broadcasted on ESPN



31,678

Total estimated attendance at the LLBWS Championship game

47 Million



🕇 💟 🧿 Number of social impressions

2 Teams

from Eastbank Little League represented their league at a LLWS tournament

47,808 Miles

Total number of miles traveled to the LLBWS

Time a team from Louisiana has won the **LLBWS**



30,347 Total RFID registrations





1,442

Total Little League® games played



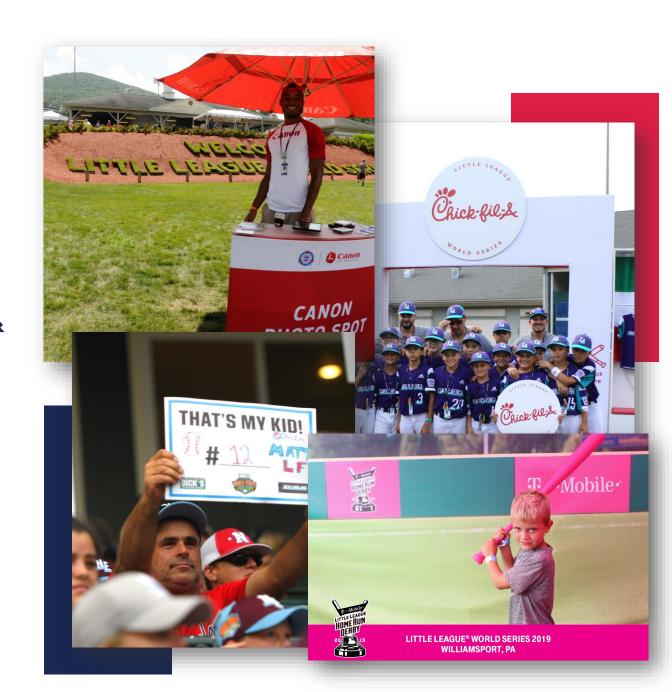
ON-SITE OPPORTUNITIES





ACTIVATION BEST PRACTICES

- On-site branding opportunities
- Enhancement of the fan & player experience
- RFID integrations
 - Photo sharing
 - Data collection



STADIUM VIDEOBOARDS BETWEEN INNING FAN ENGAGEMENT

- New for 2019
 - Branded Fan Experience
 - "What's in the Box?"
 - "Dugout Dance Cam"
- Looking ahead to 2020





CONCOURSE VIDEOBOARD

 Beyond the in-stadium scoreboards, the videoboard provides the opportunity to showcase brand or on-site initiatives directly with spectators







DIGITAL

LLWS SOCIAL

- Activation/campaign tie-in
- Shareable content
- Fan engagement focus
- Enhance brand connection
- Favorable experiences
- Social media aggregator (Tagboard)



CONTENT CAPTURE GUIDELINES

- Content Capture Plans
- Little League acceptable content capture guidelines
- Sponsor/Media Credential
 System Updates
- Updated Media Guidelines
- Content sharing from Little League



THANK YOU See you in 2020!



General Reminders

- Email Blasts and Newsletter Banner Ads can be scheduled as they align with marketing campaigns and promotions
- Secure hotel room arrangements for the 2020 Little League Baseball[®] World Series as soon as possible
- Week of February 24, 2020
 - 2020 Little League® World Series Packet Available and Sponsor Portal Updated
 - Individual Little League® World Series Packet Calls with each partner
- March 6, 2020 RFID Participation Confirmation due
- March 13, 2020 RFID Centralized Waiver Edits due

- April 3, 2020
 - Activation Concept due
 - Regional and Divisional Tournament Participation Form due
- April 15, 2020 Little League[®] World Series Program Ad Participation Form due
- May 1, 2020
 - Website Banner Ads and Partner Content Page Summer Updates due
 - Background Checks and Credential Requests open

- May 8, 2020
 - Little League[®] World Series Program Ad Drafts due
 - Giveaway Participation Form due
- May 20, 2020 Little League[®] World Series Final Program Ads due
- June 5, 2020 Final Regional and Divisional Activation Plan due
- June 12, 2020 RFID Creative Assets due
- June 26, 2020
 - Little League Baseball[®] World Series Scoreboard Opt-in due
 - Grand Slam Parade Sponsorship Commitment due

- July 2020 Regional and Divisional Tournament Giveaway Item(s) delivered
- July 10, 2020
 - Final Little League Baseball[®] World Series Activation Plan due
 - LittleLeague.org Family Fun Zone Copy due
 - Load-in Date/Time Request due
 - Ticket, Meal, Parking, and Museum Pass Request due
 - Little League Baseball® World Series Power and Internet Requirements Form due
 - Content Capture Overview due

- July 24, 2020
 - Little League Baseball® World Series Scoreboard Assets due
 - Load-in Date/Time Finalized
 - Little League Baseball® World Series Giveaway Item(s) delivered
- July 31, 2020 Final Edits to Ticket, Meal, Parking, and Museum Pass Request due
- August 12, 2020 Booth Displays and Premium Items delivered

2020 TIMELINE NOTES

- Little League® Marketing requires a minimum of 48 hours to review deliverables upon submission. Any deliverables submitted after the due dates as listed below are subject to be excepted. We appreciate your timeliness.
- Dates, locations, times, and submission methods are tentative and subject to change.
- Complete timeline available on the Sponsor portal

LITTLE LEAGUE REGIONAL SUPPORT STRUCTURE



United States

International





2018 LLBWS VISITOR SURVEY

VISITOR EXPERIENCE SURVEY

Methodology:

• Following the 2018 Little League Baseball® World Series, Little League distributed a web-based survey on August 27, 2018 by e-mail. The survey remained open until September 16, 2018.

Survey Size:

A total of 1,118 survey responses were obtained, overall.

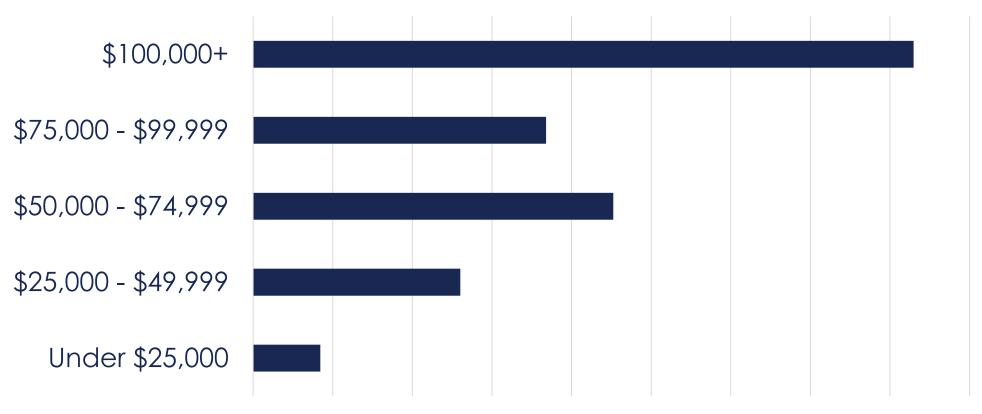
Research Team:

• The Pennsylvania College of Technology in collaboration with the Williamsport Lycoming Chamber of Commerce administered the survey.





ON-SITE DEMOGRAPHICS - ANNUAL INCOME

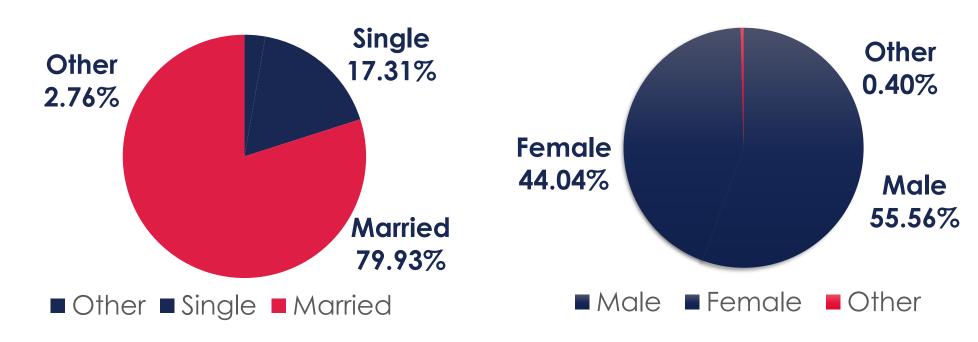


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■ % Of Visitors

ON-SITE DEMOGRAPHICS - GENDER & MARITAL STATUS

- Nearly 80% of those visiting the event were married and traveled with a group of more than three family members.
- The majority of those in attendance at the Little League Baseball[®] World Series were male. These demographics coincide with Little League social media channels and website analytics.

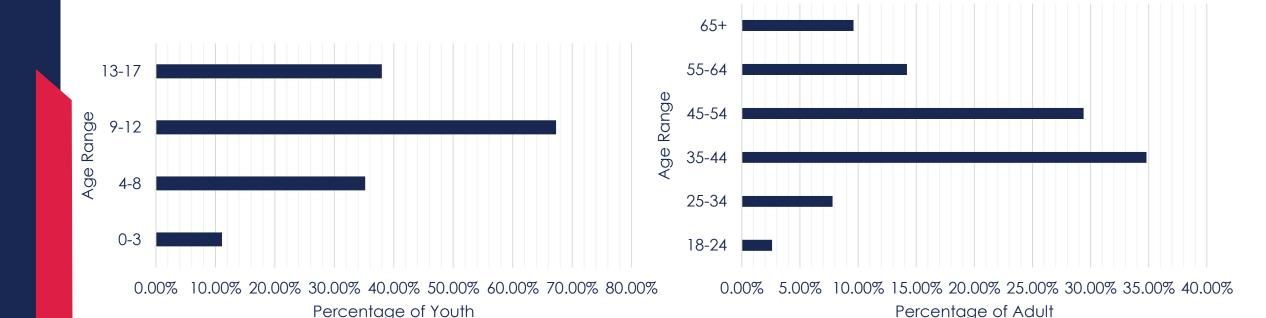


ON-SITE DEMOGRAPHICS - AGE

Over 70% of youth visitors play in a local Little League program.

Visitors

• The majority of adult Little League® World Series visitors had children in the program and therefore nearly 35% of visitors were part of Generation X.



Visitors

VISITOR EXPERIENCE SURVEY

Overall Visitor Satisfaction – 9.3







Average Length of Stay – 3 Days



87% of Visitors Traveled More than 125 Miles



2018-19 PARTICIPATION BY DIVISION

Divisions of Little League	Teams
Baseball	110,125
Softball	18,186
Challenger	2,104
Total Teams – Little League	130,415

Divisions of Baseball	Teams
Tee Ball (Ages 4-7)	27,405
Minor League (Ages 7-12)	51,255
Little League (Ages 9-12)	19,625
Intermediate (Ages 11-13)	3,235
Junior League (Ages 13-14)	5,116
Senior League (Ages 14-16)	3,489
Total Teams - Baseball	110,125

Divisions of Softball	Teams
Tee Ball (Ages 4-7)	1,256
Minor League (Ages 7-12)	9,228
Little League (Ages 9-12)	4,831
Junior League (Ages 13-14)	1,668
Senior League (Ages 13-16)	1,203
Total Teams - Softball	18,186



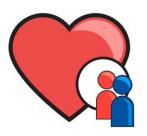
Divisions of Challenger	Teams
Challenger Division (Ages 4-15)	1,737
Senior Challenger Division (Ages 15 and up)	367
Total Teams - Challenger	2,104

2019 REGIONAL & DIVISIONAL WORLD SERIES ATTENDANCE

Regional Tournament Location	Attendance
East Region – Bristol, CT	15,812
Southeast Region – Warner Robins, GA	16,128
Central Region – Indianapolis, IN	15,075
Southwest Region – Waco, TX	7,109
West Region – San Bernardino, CA	28,700
Total Regional Attendance	82,824

Divisional World Series Location	Attendance
Intermediate Baseball – Livermore, CA	49,220
Junior Baseball – Taylor, MI	17,136
Senior Baseball – Easley, SC	5,000
Little League Softball – Portland, OR	19,725
Junior League Softball – Kirkland, WA	7,050
Senior League Softball – Lower Sussex, DE	11,800
Total Divisional World Series Attendance	109,931

THE LITTLE LEAGUE® DATABASE



Email Database 1.8 Million



Parents
1.7 Million



Coaches 190,000



League & District Officers 40,100



Umpires 4,400