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USA BASEBALL

USA Baseball is the national governing body (NGB) for baseball in the United States.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball:

- USA Baseball

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball

- USA baseball
- USAB
- United States Baseball
- The United States Baseball Federation

USA BASEBALL AGE GROUPS:

USA Baseball approved mentions of its age groups. This is inclusive of all national team and events.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball age groups

- 10U
- 11U
- 12U
- 13U
- 14U
- 13U/14U
- 15U
- 16U
- 17U
- 16U/17U
- 18U

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball age groups

- U12
- 13-U
- U-14
- 15 U
- U 16
- 17-Under
- Under-18
- 12 Under
- Under 13
- 14U and Under
- 15 & Under
- 13U and 14U (in reference to ADP and NTDP)
- 16U & 17U (in reference to ADP and NTDP)
- 12u ("U" should always be capitalized)



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USA BASEBALL NATIONAL TEAMS & INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

NATIONAL TEAMS

Approved mentions of National Teams:

- USA Baseball 12U National Team
- USA Baseball 15U National Team
- USA Baseball 18U National Team
- USA Baseball Collegiate National Team
- USA Baseball Professional National Team
- USA Baseball World Baseball Classic Team
- USA Baseball Olympic Team
- USA Baseball Women’s National Team
- *USA Baseball 14U National Team**
- *USA Baseball 16U National Team**
- ALL

[after first mention]

- 12U National Team
- 15U National Team
- 18U National Team
- Collegiate National Team
- Professional National Team
- World Baseball Classic Team
- Women’s National Team
- 14U National Team*
- 16U National Team*
- USA Baseball national team

[on additional mentions]

- 12U team
- 15U team
- 18U team
- Collegiate team
- Professional team
- WBC team
- Olympic team
- Women’s team
- 14U team*
- 16U team*

**former national team programs*

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball National Teams:

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball National Team
- USA Baseball College National Team
- USA Baseball College Team
- USA 18U Team
- Team USA 18U Team
- 18U Team
- U18 Team/team

NATIONAL TEAM INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Approved mentions of USA Baseball National Team International Events

12U	World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-12 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier WBSC U-12 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier (after first mention of WBSC) World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-12 Baseball World Cup WBSC U-12 Baseball World Cup (after first mention of WBSC)
15U	World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-15 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier WBSC U-15 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier (after first mention of WBSC) World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-15 Baseball World Cup WBSC U-15 Baseball World Cup (after first mention of WBSC)
18U	World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-18 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier WBSC U-18 Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier (after first mention of WBSC) World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) U-18 Baseball World Cup WBSC U-18 Baseball World Cup (after first mention of WBSC)
Collegiate	The XXth USA vs. Chinese Taipei International Friendship Series The XXth USA vs. Japan Collegiate All-Star Championship Series The XXth USA vs. Cuba International Friendship Series Honkbalweek Haarlem



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Professional	<p>World Baseball Classic (Edition or Year – e.g. XXII) Pan American Games World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) Premier12™ WBSC Premier12™ [after first mention] Premier12™ [after second mention] “City Year” Olympic Games [2000 Sydney Olympic Games] “City Year” Pan American Games [2015 Toronto Pan American Games]</p>
Women’s	<p>“City Year” Pan American Games [2015 Toronto Pan American Games] World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) Women’s Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier WBSC Women’s Baseball World Cup Americas Qualifier [after first mention of WBSC] World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) Women’s Baseball World Cup WBSC Women’s Baseball World Cup [after first mention of WBSC]</p>

NATIONAL TEAM TRAINING CAMP

Approved mentions of National Team Training Camps	<i>[after first mention]</i>	<i>[on additional mentions]</i>
• USA Baseball 12U National Team Training Camp	12U National Team Training Camp	12U Training Camp
• USA Baseball 15U National Team Training Camp	15U National Team Training Camp	15U Training Camp
• USA Baseball 18U National Team Training Camp	18U National Team Training Camp	18U Training Camp
• USA Baseball Collegiate National Team Training Camp	Collegiate National Team Training Camp	
• USA Baseball Women’s National Team Training Camp	Women’s National Team Training Camp	Women’s Training Camp
• Training Camp (when used by itself)		

Approved mentions of Amateur Trials Teams

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball [insert team here (e.g. 15U National Team)] Training Camp Roster*
- USA Baseball 18U Training Camp teams [referring to both Stars and Stripes teams, when facing each other]
- Stars
- Stripes
- Pride
- Eagles
- Brave
- United
- Free

**During trials occasionally the two teams will combine to face an opponent.*

Non-approved mentions of Amateur Training Camp Teams

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball Training Camp Team [when mentioning one team the age level MUST precede Trials]
- USA Trials Team
- USA Training Camp Team
- Team USA Trials Team
- Team USA Training Camp Team
- 15U Trials
- National Team Trials [or trials]
- National Team Training Camp
- See non-approved variations of Amateur Teams above



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NATIONAL TEAM VERNACULAR

Approved mentions of USA Baseball teams/players in paragraphs with multiple mentions

When appropriate, “squad”, “side”, etc. can be substituted for “team”. For example, “The U.S. squad”

- The U.S.
- The U.S. team
- The U.S. players
- The United States
- The red, white, and blue
- The stars and stripes
- Team USA

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball teams/players in paragraphs with multiple mentions

- The U.S. Team
- The U.S. Players
- The US team/Team/players/Players
- The USA
- The USA team
- The USA Team
- The United States players
- The Red, White, and Blue
- The americans
- The American Players
- The Eagles
- The eagles
- The U.S. Trials Team
- The U.S. Training Camp Team
- The U.S. trials team
- The U.S. training camp team

USA BASEBALL ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The 13U/14U Athlete Development Program will invite up to 50 athletes to the 13U and 14U age groups to a unique, week-long development opportunity, where they will receive instruction from USA Baseball alumni and other sanctioned coaches and instructors. The group of players will participate in competitive intrasquad games. In addition to the instructional opportunity, players will showcase their skills in front of USA Baseball national team staffs as well as the amateur and professional scouting communities. The program will also cover educational components to provide the athletes with tools that will be helpful for long term development.

*The 13U/14U Athlete Development Program is **NOT** a national team and thereby should not be referred to as Team USA. Athletes who participate in the ADP are not members of Team USA and do not become alumni of the organization. The ADP is also not a tournament; however, teams will participate in a series of intrasquad games.*

Approved mentions of Athlete Development Programs:	<i>[after first mention]</i>	<i>[on additional mentions]</i>
• USA Baseball 13U/14U Athlete Development Program	13U/14U Athlete Development Program	13U/14U ADP



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Non-approved mentions of Athlete Development Programs:

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball 13U/14U National Team
- USA 13U Team
- Team USA 14U Team
- 13U Team
- U14 Team/team

USA BASEBALL NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The 16U/17U National Team Development Program will invite up to 80 athletes to the 16U and 17U age groups to a unique, week-long development opportunity, where they will receive instruction from USA Baseball alumni and other sanctioned coaches and instructors. The group of players will participate in competitive intrasquad games. In addition to the instructional opportunity, players will showcase their skills in front of USA Baseball national team staffs as well as the amateur and professional scouting communities. The program will also cover educational components to provide the athletes with tools that will be helpful for long term development.

*The 16U/17U National Team Development Program is **NOT** a national team and thereby should not be referred to as Team USA. Athletes who participate in the NTDP are not members of Team USA and do not become alumni of the organization. The NTDP is also not a tournament; however, teams will participate in a series of intrasquad games.*

Approved mentions of National Team Development Programs:	<i>[after first mention]</i>	<i>[on additional mentions]</i>
• USA Baseball 16U/17U National Team Development Program	16U/17U National Team Development Program	16U/17U NTDP
• National Team Development Program	NTDP	

Non-approved mentions of National Team Development Programs:

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball 16U/17U National Team
- USA 16U Team
- Team USA 17U Team
- 16U Team
- U17 Team/team

USA BASEBALL EVENTS

BREAKTHROUGH SERIES

The Breakthrough Series is a joint effort on behalf of Major League Baseball and USA Baseball. This unique program focuses on developing the player on and off the field through seminars, mentorship, gameplay, scout evaluations, video coverage, and the highest level of instruction all while providing a platform for the players to perform for scouts and collegiate coaches.

Approved mentions of the Breakthrough Series

- The Breakthrough Series, a joint effort on behalf of Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- The Breakthrough Series

Non-approved mentions of the Breakthrough Series

- The USA Baseball Breakthrough Series
- The MLB Breakthrough Series



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DREAM SERIES

The Dream Series is operated by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball. This event will host a diverse group of more than 60 high school pitchers and catchers from across the country, in a special development camp atmosphere as well as a showcase for professional scouts and collegiate recruiters.

Approved mentions of the Dream Series

- The Dream Series, a joint effort on behalf Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- The Dream Series

Non-approved mentions of the Dream Series

- The USA Baseball Dream Series
- The MLB Dream Series

GIRLS BASEBALL ELITE DEVELOPMENT INVITATIONAL

Utilizing the successful Breakthrough Series instructional model incorporating multiple seminars, Major League Baseball, USA Baseball, and the Major League Baseball Players Association teamed up to develop the revolutionary Girls Baseball Elite Development Invitational.

Approved mentions of the Elite Development Invitational

- The Girls Baseball Elite Development Invitational, a joint effort on behalf Major League Baseball, the Major League Baseball Players Association, and USA Baseball
- The Girls Baseball Elite Development Invitational
- The Elite Development Invitational

Non-approved mentions of the Elite Development Invitational

- The USA Baseball Elite Development Invitational
- The Major League Baseball Elite Development Invitational
- The Major League Baseball Players Association Elite Development Invitational

GRIT GIRLS BASEBALL IDENTIFICATION TOUR

Approved mentions of the GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour

- The MLB GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour
- The GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour
- MLB GRIT
- GRIT

Non-approved mentions of the GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour

- The USA Baseball GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour
- The Major League Baseball GRIT Girls Baseball Identification Tour
- USA Baseball GRIT

HANK AARON INVITATIONAL

Hank Aaron Invitational, which will add new elements to the effective approach of the former "Elite Development Invitational." The unique amateur development event will serve as a youth-oriented, on-field diversity initiative that aims to get high school-age players, with diverse backgrounds, to the next levels of the game.

Approved mentions of Hank Aaron Invitational

- The Hank Aaron Invitational presented by Major League Baseball, the MLB Players Association, USA Baseball, and the Atlanta Braves
- The Hank Aaron Invitational

Non-approved mentions of the Hank Aaron Invitational



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- MLB Hank Aaron Invitational
- USA Baseball Hank Aaron Invitational
- HAI
- Henry Aaron Invitational

STATES PLAY

The States Play is a premier high school baseball tournament by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball. The goal this year is to showcase some of the best underclassmen from around the country. The original concept featured the best rising-seniors from "rival states" that historically produced a high volume of collegiate and pro players. After a two-year hiatus, the 2022 edition alters the original format and now will highlight rising-juniors from a number of different states across the country -- as the East will square off against the West.

Approved mentions of States Play

- States Play presented by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- States Play
- Major League Baseball States Play
- States Play Invitational

Non-approved mentions of States Play

- USA Baseball States Play

TRAILBLAZER SERIES

The Trailblazer Series is a joint effort on behalf of USA Baseball and Major League Baseball to field a baseball tournament for girls, held in the greater Los Angeles area, and built around Jackie Robinson Day Weekend

Approved mentions of the Trailblazer Series

- The Trailblazer Series, a joint effort on behalf Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- The Trailblazer Series

Non-approved mentions of the Trailblazer Series

- The USA Baseball Trailblazer Series
- The MLB Trailblazer Series

USA BASEBALL FUTURES INVITATIONAL

The USA Baseball Futures Invitational is an elite youth championship event, exclusively reserved for top 10U and 11U teams and athletes. The four-day, championship tournaments will both be hosted at Thomas Brooks Park, the home of the USA Baseball National Training Complex, in Cary, North Carolina. The 11U event will also be hosted at Middle Creek Park in Cary, North Carolina.

Approved mentions of the USA Baseball Futures Invitational

- The USA Baseball Futures Invitational
- The Futures Invitational [after first mention]
- The USA Baseball 10U Futures Invitational
- The 11U Futures Invitational [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball Futures Invitational

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

USA BASEBALL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL



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The USA Baseball National High School Invitational presented by the Greater Raleigh Sports Alliance brings together 16 of the top prep teams in the country to compete against each other in what has become the premiere event on the high school baseball calendar.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball National High School Invitational

- The USA Baseball National High School Invitational presented by the Greater Raleigh Sports Alliance
- The USA Baseball National High School Invitational
- The National High School Invitational [after first mention]
- The NHSI [on additional mentions]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball National High School Invitational

- The N.H.S.I.

USA BASEBALL NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

The USA Baseball National Team Championships are the primary identification events for players to be considered for the 15U National Team, the 13U/14U Athlete Development Program (ADP), and the 16U/17U National Team Development Program (NTDP). Through these events, USA Baseball provides an opportunity for 400+ teams to showcase their ability against teams from all across the country.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball National Team Championships

**Age groups can only be used preceding National Team Championships: USA Baseball 14U National Team Championships (14U, 15U, 16U and 17U). See USA Baseball age groups section for approved formats...*

- The USA Baseball National Team Championships
- The USA Baseball National Team Championships in Arizona
- The USA Baseball National Team Championships in North Carolina
- The USA Baseball National Team Championships Arizona
- The USA Baseball National Team Championships North Carolina
- The National Team Championships [after first mention]
- The National Team Championships Arizona [on additional mentions]
- The National Team Championships North Carolina [on additional mentions]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball National Team Championships

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- National Team Championships AZ
- National Team Championships NC
- Arizona National Team Championships
- North Carolina National Team Championships
- AZ National Team Championships
- NC National Team Championships
- USA National Team Championships
- USA Baseball West National Team Championships
- USA Baseball East National Team Championships
- East Championships/Champs
- West Championships/Champs
- USA Baseball National Team Championships West
- USA Baseball National Team Championships East
- USA Baseball National Team Championships – West
- USA Baseball National Team Championships – East
- National Team Championships East
- National Team Championships West



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USA BASEBALL NATIONAL TEAM IDENTIFICATION SERIES

The USA Baseball National Team Identification Series is the most comprehensive player identification program offered by Team USA. Players from across the country will participate in selection events and tryouts on the regional level with the aim of ultimately being named to their regional team. Those regional teams will then compete in their respective age groups against the other regions from across the country at the USA Baseball National Team Identification Series (NTIS) Champions Cup at the USA Baseball National Training Complex and Thomas Brooks Park in Cary, North Carolina.

The Champions Cup is the annual culminating event of the National Team Identification Series. Regional teams will attend the Champions Cups where they will compete in a head-to-head tournament, while also being evaluated by national team task force members.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball National Team Identification Series

**Age groups can only be used preceding National Team Identification Series: USA Baseball 14U National Team Identification Series (11U, 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U, and 16U). See USA Baseball age groups section for approved formats...*

- The USA Baseball National Team Identification Series
- The National Team Identification Series [after first mention]
- The NTIS [on additional mentions]
- The USA Baseball National Team Identification Series Champions Cup
- The National Team Identification Series Champions Cup [after first mention]
- The NTIS Champions Cup [on additional mentions]
- The Champions Cup [on further mentions]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball National Team Identification Series

**See USA Baseball age groups section for additional non-approved formats*

- USA Baseball National Identification Event
- USA Baseball National Identification Series
- The N.T.I.S.
- The Cup

USA BASEBALL FACILITIES

Approved mentions of USA Baseball National Training Complex

Approved mentions of the USA Baseball National Training Complex at Thomas Brooks Park

- The USA Baseball National Training Complex
- The National Training Complex [after first mention]
- The USA Baseball National Training Complex at Thomas Brooks Park
- The USA Baseball National Training Complex and Thomas Brooks Park
- The NTC [on additional mentions]
- Coleman Field at the USA Baseball National Training Complex
- Coleman Field [on additional mentions]
- USA Baseball National Training Complex Field 2
- USA Baseball National Training Complex Fields 2-4
- Field 2 [3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8]
- Auxiliary field(s)
- Thomas Brooks Park Field 5 [or 6, 7, 8]



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- Thomas Brooks Park
- Thomas Brooks Park, the home of the USA Baseball National Training Complex
- The USA Baseball High Performance Training Center
- The High Performance Training Center [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball National Training Complex at Thomas Brooks Park

- The National Training Complex and adjoining Thomas Brooks Park
- The USA Baseball National Training Center
- The USA Baseball Training Complex
- The National Training Center
- The National Training Facility
- The Training Complex
- Practice field
- The USA Baseball High-Performance Training Center
- The USA Baseball Indoor High Performance Training Center
- The USA Baseball/Town of Cary High Performance Training Center

USA BASEBALL BAT STANDARD (USABat)

USA Baseball, the national governing body for the sport of baseball in the U.S., in conjunction with participating national member organizations has adopted a new method for measuring bat performance in the testing of youth bats. Informed by the research of leading scientists on the USA Baseball Bat Study Committee, and supported by its National Member Organizations

Approved mentions of the USABat standard

- USABat
- The USA Baseball bat standard (USABat)
- The USABat standard
- The USA Baseball Approved Bat List
- The USABat Approved Bat List
- USA Baseball Approved Bats
- Approved Bats [after first mention]
- USA Baseball Certification Mark
- USABat Certification Mark

Non-approved mentions of USABat Standard

- The USA Bat Standard
- USA Bat
- USA-Bat
- The USA Baseball youth bat standard
- The USA Baseball standard
- The USA Baseball Certified Bat List
- The USA Baseball certified list

Approved mentions of the Tee Ball & Tee Ball Sticker Program

- USA Baseball Certification Mark
- USABat Certification Mark
- The USA Baseball Tee Ball Sticker Program
- The USABat Tee Ball Sticker Program
- The Tee Ball Sticker Program [after first mention]
- USA Baseball Approved Tee Balls



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- USABat Approved Tee Balls
- Approved Tee Balls [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of USABat Standard & Tee Ball Sticker Program

- The USA Baseball certified list
- The USA Baseball Approved Balls
- The USA Baseball Approved T-Balls
- The USA Baseball t-ball sticker program
- The USA Baseball bat standard Tee Ball Sticker Program



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USA BASEBALL GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD

Since 1978, USA Baseball has honored the top amateur baseball player in the country with the Golden Spikes Award. The award is presented each year to the player who best exhibits exceptional on-field ability and exemplary sportsmanship.

Approved mentions of the Golden Spikes Award

- The USA Baseball Golden Spikes Award
- The Golden Spikes Award [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the Golden Spikes Award

- The USA Baseball GSA
- The USA Baseball G.S.A.
- The GSA
- The G.S.A.

USA BASEBALL SHOP

Approved mentions of the USA Baseball Shop

- The USA Baseball Shop
- The USA Baseball Team Store at the National Training Complex
- The Team Store [after first mention]
- USABaseballShop.com

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball Shop

- The USABaseballShop.com
- The Team USA Store
- The Store

USA BASEBALL DEVELOPS

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USA Baseball Develops is home to USA Baseball's athlete safety and educational resources for coaches, umpires, parents, and players offering online education courses, certification pathways, sample practice plans, a drill library, youth and high school baseball manuals, the American Development Model, Develops blog, and more.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball Develops

- USA Baseball Develops

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball Develops

- USA Baseball develops
- develops

USA BASEBALL APP

All USA Baseball athlete safety, education, and development programs are hosted on the free USA Baseball app. The USA Baseball App is the mobile-facing interface of the USA Baseball Develops website.

Approved mentions of the USA Baseball App

- The USA Baseball App



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- USA Baseball App
- The app [after first mention as a descriptor]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball App

- USA Baseball app
- The app [not approved on first mention]

THE USA BASEBALL DEVELOPS BLOG

The Develops Blog is home to official publications of USA Baseball focused on digging deeper into the game of baseball.

Approved mentions of USA Baseball Develops Blog

- The USA Baseball Develops Blog
- The Develops Blog [after first mention]
- The blog [after first mention as a descriptor]

Non-approved mentions of USA Baseball Develops Blog

- The USA Baseball blog
- The USA Baseball develops blog
- The develops blog
- The blog

THE USA BASEBALL AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL

USA Baseball, with support from Major League Baseball (MLB), has generated a long-term athlete development plan, called the American Development Model (ADM), to provide a multi-stage developmental pathway for an individual's life-long experience within the sport of baseball in the United States.

Approved mentions of American Development Model

- The USA Baseball American Development Model
- The American Development Model [after first mention]
- The ADM [on additional mentions]

Non-approved mentions of American Development Model

- The Development Plan
- The A.D.M.
- The USA Baseball american development model
- The american development model

THE USA BASEBALL MOBILE COACH

The USA Baseball Mobile Coach, free to all users via the USA Baseball app, features practice plans, unique drills, and video tutorials to assist coaches of all levels to run competent, safe, and age- and skill-appropriate practices for their players.

Approved mentions of the USA Baseball Mobile Coach

- The USA Baseball Mobile Coach
- The Mobile Coach [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the USA Baseball Mobile Coach

- The USA Baseball Mobile Coaching App
- The Mobile Coaching App
- The USA Baseball Mobile Coach App

USA BASEBALL ONLINE EDUCATION



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USA Baseball's Online Education is a Major League Baseball-supported initiative that provides free online educational courses, including unique situations specific to coaches, parents, and umpires emphasizing a culture of development, safety, and fun within the sport. Components of Online Education include over 25 online courses offered in English and Spanish.

Approved mentions of Online Education

- USA Baseball Online Education
- Online Education[after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of Online Education

- The USA Baseball Online Education

FUN AT BAT

Fun At Bat is an introductory bat-and-ball skills development program for all children that focuses on basic fundamentals, a healthy lifestyle, character development, and fun! Fun At Bat is tailored for physical education classes in elementary schools.

Approved mentions of Fun At Bat

- Fun At Bat

Non-approved mentions of Fun at Bat

- Fun at Bat
- FAB
- F.A.B.
- The USA Baseball Fun At Bat program

FUN AT BAT AFTER SCHOOL

Fun At Bat After School is an introductory bat-and-ball skills development program for all children that focuses on basic fundamentals, a healthy lifestyle, character development, and fun! Fun At Bat After School is tailored for afterschool programs such as Boys & Girls Clubs of America for youth of all ages.

Approved mentions of Fun At Bat After School

- Fun At Bat After School

Non-approved mentions of Fun at Bat

- Fun at Bat After School
- Fun At Bat after school
- FAB After School
- F.A.B. After School
- The USA Baseball Fun At Bat After School program
- Fun At Bat

PITCH SMART

A series of practical, age-appropriate guidelines to help parents, players and coaches avoid overuse injuries and foster long, healthy careers for youth pitchers.

Approved mentions of Pitch Smart

- Pitch Smart

Non-approved mentions of Pitch Smart

- PitchSmart
- The USA Baseball Pitch Smart program
- The Major League Baseball Pitch Smart program

PLAY BALL



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Play Ball is an initiative that highlights the many ways baseball can be played, including ways outside of traditionally organized baseball leagues and tournaments. Events hosted around the country by Major League Baseball, USA Baseball, and USA Softball provide an opportunity for youth to experience the game in a variety of different forms in a non-competitive environment.

Approved mentions of Play Ball

- PLAY BALL
- Play Ball

Non-approved mentions of Play Ball

- play ball
- PlayBall
- The USA Baseball Play Ball initiative
- The Major League Baseball Play Ball Initiative
- The USA Softball Play Ball initiative

COACH CERTIFICATION

USA Baseball Coach Certification is an educational program for all individuals who are currently coaching baseball or aspire to coach at any level of the game. The program aims to create a higher standard of coaching education and enhance the ability of coaches to better serve their athletes.

Approved mentions of Coach Certification

- USA Baseball Coach Certification
- Coach Certification [after first mention]
- Coach Certification pathway

Non-approved mentions of Coaches Certification

- Coaches Certification
- Coachs Certification
- Coaches' Certification
- Coach's Certification
- Coach Certification

UMPIRE CERTIFICATION

USA Baseball Umpire Certification is designed to enhance umpire education and training with a focus on understanding the basic skills required to umpire a game and provides tips on conflict resolution.

Approved mentions of Umpire Certification

- USA Baseball Umpire Certification
- Umpire Certification [after first mention]
- Umpire Certification pathway

Non-approved mentions of Umpire Certification

- Umpires Certification
- Umpire's Certification

PARENT CERTIFICATION

USA Baseball Parent Certification is designed to enhance parent education and training with a focus on understanding how to recognize and respond to misconduct, the fundamentals of the American Development Model, arm safety for pitchers, and maximizing your child's experience in baseball.

Approved mentions of Parent Certification

- USA Baseball Parent Certification



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- Parent Certification [after first mention]
- Parent Certification pathway

Non-approved mentions of Parent Certification

- Parents Certification
Parent's Certification

BASE

In late 2018, USA Baseball launched BASE (Baseball Athlete Safety Education) as its zero-tolerance campaign for any type of abuse within the sport of baseball. Most of amateur baseball does not fall under the Olympic Umbrella but is subject to Public Law 115-126. As such USA Baseball began providing resources to allow all youth baseball organizations to comply with the law. There are four components of BASE: Reporting, background checks, education and training, and minor athlete safety policies.

Approved mentions of BASE

- BASE
- BASE (Baseball Athlete Safety Education)
- BASE, the zero-tolerance campaign established by USA Baseball to combat abuse in the sport, [must be included on a second mention]
- The BASE program

Non-approved mentions of BASE

- USA Baseball BASE
- USA Baseball BASE program
- The USA Baseball base program
- The base program
- base
- B.A.S.E.

COMMUNITY COACH CLINICS

Community Coach Clinics are free, two-hour events provide coaches with the opportunity to learn and grow by networking with local coaches. Community Clinics are offered in-person and are also offered once a month online.

Approved mentions of Community Coach Clinics

- USA Baseball Community Coach Clinics
- Community Coach Clinics
- Community Clinics [on second or third mention]

Non-approved mentions of Community Coach Clinics

- Coaches [should always be singular: Coach]
- USA Baseball community coaches clinics
- USA Baseball community coaches' clinics
- USA Baseball community clinics
- community coaches clinics
- community coaches' clinics
- community clinics
- clinics

REGIONAL COACH CLINICS

Combining both traditional indoor, lecture-based clinic sessions with outdoor on-field applications, Regional Coach Clinics are two-day immersion events that provide advanced instruction that coaches from all levels will greatly benefit from.



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Approved mentions of Regional Coach Clinics

- USA Baseball Regional Coach Clinics
- Regional Coach Clinics
- Regional Clinics [on second or third mention]

Non-approved mentions of Regional Coach Clinics

- Coaches [should always be singular: Coach]
- USA Baseball regional coaches clinics
- USA Baseball regional coaches' clinics
- USA Baseball regional clinics
- regional coaches clinics
- regional coaches' clinics
- regional clinics
- clinics

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL MANUAL

The High School Baseball Manual was developed to support the thousands of dedicated high school coaches around the country, in their quest to provide a positive, development-based experience to their student-athletes.

Approved mentions of the High School Baseball Manual

- The USA Baseball High School Baseball Manual
- High School Baseball Manual
- The manual [after first mention as a descriptor]

Non-approved mentions of the High School Baseball Manual

- USA Baseball high school baseball manual
- high school baseball manual
- The manual

YOUTH BASEBALL MANUAL

The USA Baseball Youth Baseball Manual serves as a blueprint for building a productive environment for athletes, and a call to action for coaches to work towards the betterment of the youth baseball experience.

Approved mentions of the Youth Baseball Manual

- The USA Baseball Youth Baseball Manual
- Youth Baseball Manual
- The manual [after first mention as a descriptor]

Non-approved mentions of the Youth Baseball Manual

- USA Baseball youth baseball manual
- youth baseball manual
- The manual

THE U.S. CENTER FOR SAFESPORT

USA Baseball is passionate about raising awareness of the [U.S. Center for SafeSport](#) initiative and providing our athletes unparalleled development and competitive opportunity in a safe environment. Established in 2017, the U.S. Center for SafeSport is the independent and exclusive authority directed by Congress to prevent and respond to all forms of abuse and misconduct within the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement.

Approved mentions of the U.S. Center for SafeSport

- The U.S. Center for SafeSport



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- The Center [after first mention]
- Safe Sport [when referring to the training, not The Center]

Non-approved mentions of the U.S. Center for SafeSport

- Us center for safesport
- Safesport
- SafeSport
- USA Baseball SafeSport
- The center

HOMEGROWN

USA Baseball's Homegrown program provides families with elementary-aged youth from across the United States with the unique opportunity to learn from current and former USA Baseball national team athletes, as well as current and former Major League Baseball players alike, in a fun and interactive community-based setting. This program will allow these hometown heroes the opportunity to share their experiences playing For Glory with the many children who may one day hope to be a part of Our Pastime's Future.

Through its two initiatives, the Homegrown Clinics and Homegrown Connections, the Homegrown program allows the Team USA alumni to give back to their hometowns, communities or youth-based organizations that hold personal meaning to them and supported their overall personal or professional development during the course of their careers.

Approved mentions of the Homegrown program

- USA Baseball's Homegrown program
- Homegrown
- USA Baseball Homegrown Clinic
- Homegrown Clinic [after first mention]
- USA Baseball Homegrown Connection
- Homegrown Connection [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the Homegrown program

- USA Baseball Homegrown
- USA Baseball Home Grown
- Home grown
- home grown

THE PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE

Prospect Development Pipeline is a collaborative effort between MLB and USA Baseball that establishes an official identification and player development pathway for amateur baseball players in the United States. The Prospect Development Pipeline hosts events called the PDP Premier and the PDP League, and performs Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments on athletes at events across the country.

Approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline

- The Prospect Development Pipeline
- The PDP [after first mention]

Non-approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline

- The USA Baseball Prospect Development Pipeline
- The Major League Baseball Prospect Development Pipeline
- The Player Development Pipeline
- The P.D.P.



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PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

The Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessment is a series of comprehensive evaluations that utilize state-of-the-art technology to measure cognitive skills, speed of processing, athletic performance and on-field talent. All data collected from the assessments are disseminated to the 30 MLB Clubs in preparation for the MLB Draft and to USA Baseball for national team identification. Additionally, all participants receive a personalized player report following the evaluation process containing data and metrics from the evaluation, and training tools for improvement and sustained development.

Approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments

- Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments
- PDP Performance Assessments
- PDP Evaluations [only to describe the individual assessments]
 - 30-Yard Sprint
 - Batting Practice – Swing & Bat Flight Analysis
 - CMJ (Counter Movement Jumps)
 - Drift 2D Protocol
 - Dynamic Broad Jump
 - Hawkeye
 - Height/Weight/Grip Strength
 - Man-in-the-Box
 - Performance Vision Screening
 - Pitcher Ball Flight Analysis

Non-approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments

- The USA Baseball Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments
- The Major League Baseball Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments
- The USA Baseball Performance Assessments
- The MLB Performance Assessments
- The PDP Performance Evaluations [unless describing the individual assessments]
- PDP Testing
- PDP Assessments

PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE LEAGUE

The Prospect Development Pipeline League is a joint MLB and USA Baseball initiative. An expansion of Prospect Development Pipeline program, the league will consist of 96 of the top high school prospects in the country competing at the USA Baseball National Training Complex in Cary, N.C., in the most premier development experience in the marketplace.

Approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline League

- The Prospect Development Pipeline League presented by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- The PDP League presented by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- Prospect Development Pipeline League
- PDP League

Non-approved mentions of the Prospect Development Pipeline Performance Assessments

- The League
- USA Baseball PDP League
- MLB PDP League
- PDPL
- P.D.P. League

Approved mentions of PDP League

- The Prospect Development Pipeline League presented by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball



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- The PDP League presented by Major League Baseball and USA Baseball
- The PDP League

Non-approved mentions of the PDP League

- PDPL
- The USA Baseball PDP League
- The MLB PDP League
- P.D.P. League