

# Diamond News

Diamond Youth Baseball & Softball Newsletter



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## 2026 DYB World Series -

April 1st is the deadline to submit a Letter of Intent to bid to host the 2026 DYB Division I & II AAA, Majors & "O"Zone World Series. Contact your state director for more information.

## 2025 & 2026 DYS World Series -

Letters of Intent to bid on the 2025 and 2026 DYS World Series are now being accepted. The deadline is April 1st. Contact your state director for more information.

## Children's Health by Mayo Clinic Staff ([www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/childrens-health](http://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/childrens-health))

Nutrition, fitness, sleep and checkups are key for children's health.

Teach your child early to move more and sit less for physical and mental health. Enjoy active hobbies together to set a good example. Also help your child get enough rest. Good sleep habits will serve your child well for years to come.

A balanced diet gives children fuel for growth and activity. Encourage your child to eat nutritious foods. Learn which nutrients are key and in what amounts and how the guidelines change as your child grows older.

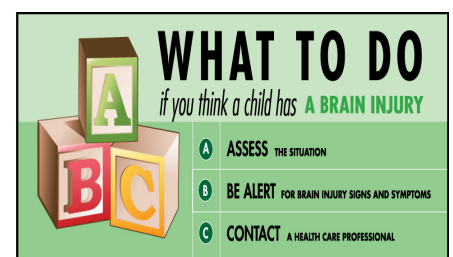
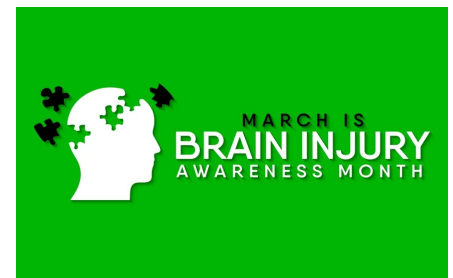
Regular doctor visits for checkups and vaccines are vital too. Share any concerns you have about your child's health with a member of your child's health care team.

Keeping your child safe, from installing a car seat to teaching hand-washing, is a big part of care-giving. And talking about social and school issues grows in importance as your child ages.

 **MLB PITCH, HIT & RUN** - Calling all league operators, coaches, parks, and recreation centers: HOST a local MLB Pitch, Hit & Run!

This MLB event is FREE and gives athletes in your community a chance to compete, represent an MLB Team, and WIN an all-expenses-paid trip to the 2024 MLB World Series!

To register & learn more visit - [mlb.com/pitch-hit-and-run](http://mlb.com/pitch-hit-and-run)



## AROUND THE DIAMOND...



### **2024 Diamond Youth Softball World Series**



July 17 – July 22

**6U-8U-10U-12U-15U-18U – Fairview, TN**



### **2024 Diamond Youth Baseball World Series**



July 26 – July 30

**Division I & II AA World Series – Orangeburg, SC**

July 25 – July 30

**Division II AAA, Majors & "O"Zone World Series – Bossier City, LA**

August 2 – August 7

**Division I AAA, Majors & "O"Zone World Series – Bossier City, LA**

## **DYB Spotlight - P.L. Corley**



Colonel Parris Lee (P.L.) Corley, USAF, Ret., served as the second President of DYB, Inc. from 2008-2013 and also served as the Chairman of the DYB Scholarship Committee. Mr. Corley represented Alabama on the DYB National Board of Directors beginning in 1983.

He retired from the United States Air Force after 25 years of decorated service. Besides his volunteer service to our youth through DYB, P.L. served his community with the Southeastern League, Westside of Montgomery YMCA and the United Way. He was bestowed the honor of receiving the Friend of the Youth Award as designated by the Montgomery, Alabama Downtown Optimist Club.

Mr. Corley passed away at the age of 85 on January 19, 2020 in Montgomery, Alabama.

## **BACKGROUND CHECKS -**

All leagues shall conduct, at a minimum, a third-party criminal background check which searches the National Criminal Database and the National Sex Offender Registry on all managers & coaches, umpires and others officials in our league who have close contact with minor athletes.

Each League must certify to DYB/DYS that all managers and coaches on its tournament teams which advance to tournament play including district, state and the DYB/DYS World Series have passed the criminal background checks.

DYB has partnered with JD Palatine ("JDP") to offer leagues an affordable option to obtain background checks.

***For more information contact JDP at [jdp.com/dyb/](http://jdp.com/dyb/)***

## **★ Benefits of Sports for Kids**

- ☐ *kids who participate in sports have stronger muscles and bones. It also helps keep their weight under control*
- ☐ *being on a sports team helps kids with social interactions, building teamwork, and leadership skills*
- ☐ *teamwork teaches cooperation and compromise*
- ☐ *being part of a team boosts confidence and their self-esteem when they're part of a group of peers with similar likes and goals*
- ☐ *kids who participate in sports also seem to do better in school*
- ☐ *helps with coping skills and critical thinking as they face challenges in life*

