

American Legion Baseball

AL Baseball History 1st American Legion World Series



- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1926
- 1st American Legion Baseball World Series Champions were Yonkers Post 321.
- Only year not to have a World Series is 1927 and 2020.
- 2021 American Legion Baseball World Series Champion was Post 56 in Idaho Falls Bandits. Backto-back champs









Shelby, North Carolina Home of The American Legion World Series

Played in Keeter Stadium since 2011.

Attendance the last (3) years have been over 120,000 fans





Ohio American Legion Baseball Resume

Hall of Fame

- Major League Baseball Hall of Fame is full of American Legion Baseball players.
- Ohio- Jim Bunning of Cincinnati and Phil Niekro of Bridgeport.
- Full list of all American Legion Baseball Alumni that became professional baseball players can be found at legion.org/baseball/alumni

Ohio in the World Series

- Ohio has won (7) American Legion Baseball World Series
- #2 on the list of teams who are series winners
- Ohio has (24) World Series appearances
- 2019- Beverly/Lowell
- 2021- Harrison



How to Start a Baseball Team

	Cost		Age	Rulebook	
•	Roughly \$3500.00 for equipment, uniforms, umpires, and miscellaneous costs. Ask the community to sponsor	•	Senior Players age is 18 to 19 for the 2022 season. Players born in 2003 and 2004 must play in the Senior Division.	 2022 Department of Ohio American Legion Baseball Rulebook 2022 National American Legion Baseball Rulebook 	
•	Senior Team entry fee is \$600.00. Includes Department and National Insurance.	•	If a player turns 20 ANYTIME this calendar year, he CANNOT play. His eligibility has expired.	 Insurance website Important team forms 	
•	Junior Team entry fee is \$500.00. Includes Department and National Insurance.	•	Junior Players age is 13 to 17 for the 2022 season.	 All located on the Department website- ohiolegion.com/baseball 	
•	Insurance is mandatory.	•	Players born in 2005 to 2009 must play in the Junior Division.	Uniolegion.com/basebail	



Tournament Dates

Junior Tournament

- July 14th, 2022 - July 17th, 2022

Beavers Field

1651 Granville Pike

Lancaster, OH 43130

Senior Tournament

- July 25^{th,} 2022- July 29^{th,} 2022

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Department Commissioners





The American Legion – Department of Ohio

Region Contacts

Region 1 – Richard Beeker

Region 2- Charles Morris

Region 3- Ted Sturzinger

Region 4- VACANT

Region 5 & 6- Phil Lightfoot

Region 7- Howard Frase

Region 8- Jack Hill

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Commissioners handle any issues and helps coordinate the Regional Tournament.

Also determine the (8) teams that come to the State Baseball Tournament.





Upcoming Baseball Meeting

- Meeting for American Legion Baseball Coaches and Managers-
- Sunday February 20th, 2022, at 1:00PM.
- Department Headquarters, 60 Big Run Rd. Delaware, OH 43015



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