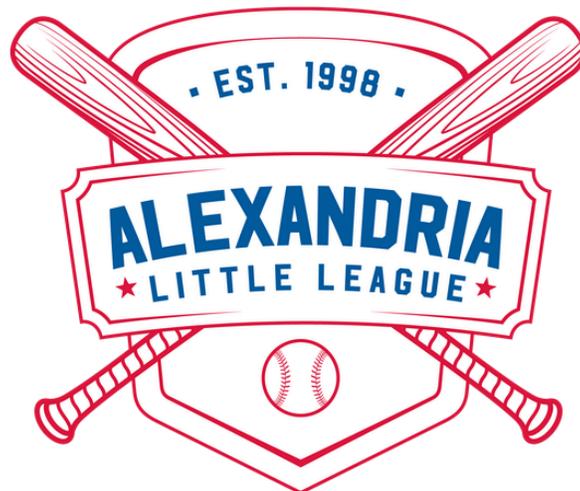


2026 SEASON

ALEXANDRIA LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY PROGRAM



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



LAURA ENGEL

President
Alexandria Little League

Welcome to the 2026 Alexandria Little League spring season! This spring we have over **820 players**, including a record **111 softball players!**

Alexandria Little League (“ALL”) is a special organization driven by dedication of the families and volunteers that operate our league, the generous sponsors who help finance our operations, our partnerships throughout the city, including Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS), that help build pipelines of players into our league, and our alumni who have built positive memories on these city fields.

To each of you, I want to extend my thanks -

- **To Families and Community Members:** A special thank you for your time and efforts supporting games, practices, and events... from coaching to cheering to driving to raking to donating to attending off-season prep. You play a critical role in ALL’s success and continued growth.
- **To the City of Alexandria and the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities (“RPCA”):** We are proud to be your affiliate and deeply grateful for the support of the Mayor and City Council, Parks and Recreation Staff and Commission, and everyone who goes above and beyond for our youth in sports.
- **To our ACPS 4th Grade Students in the ALL-ACPS Outreach Program:** We are so appreciative of the opportunity to engage with young people throughout our city and share our love of diamond sports. Nothing makes us prouder than to see students learn a new skill, find love of the game, and/or join our league!
- **To our Alumni Network:** We are honored to welcome back generations of players, including our Alexandria City High School baseball and softball teams, and other alumni. For those who have continued with baseball and softball through high school and beyond, we celebrate with you and your success as you now represent not only ALL, but your school while playing a sport we all love! We are forever cheering for you!

- **To our Sponsors:** We simply could not exist without all of the generous financial support of our sponsors. The majority are small businesses right here in the City of Alexandria. We are proud to represent you on our jerseys and the banners lining the field fences. During the season, I ask our community to please continue to support their businesses, whether eating at their restaurants, buying their products, or working with their services.

The future is bright in Alexandria diamond sports. We have much to celebrate this season. On behalf of the Board of Directors of ALL, I thank you for all that you have done and will do this season. Please join me in wishing the very best for the 70 teams taking the field this spring in Alexandria. And to our players, *Let It Rip!*

See you soon on the City's diamonds!

Laura



ALEXANDRIA LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING CEREMONIES

**MARCH 27, 2026
FRANK MANN FIELD**

Parade of Players

Anthony Dick

National Anthem

Kit Wannan, Softball Coach

Welcome and Sponsor Appreciation

Laura Engel, ALL President

Recognition of Alexandria Little League Alumni High School Seniors

Recognition of Alexandria City Council Members

Reading of Little League Pledge and Parent Pledge

Ceremonial First Pitches

The Honorable Alyia Gaskins, Mayor, City of Alexandria

Mac Slover, Chair - Miracle League of Alexandria

Hashim Taylor, Director - Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities

Dana Colarulli - Chairman of Alexandria Parks & Recreation Commission

2026 Alexandria Little League Photograph

Mike Leonard Photography



2026 ALL BOARD MEMBERS

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All Stars Coordinator

Dave Funk

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Jason Lumia





Our Mission

The objective of Alexandria Little League shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger, and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy, and trustworthy citizens.

Overview

Alexandria Baseball, Inc. ("ABI") is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, organized under Virginia law, that is doing business as Alexandria Little League. We are the largest volunteer-run, non-profit youth sports organization in the city of Alexandria. We are a member of the South East region of Little League International and a member of District 4 of Virginia Little League. Alexandria Little League is an affiliate of the City of Alexandria's Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities, which owns and maintains all of our fields.

History

Based on best available research, the formation of Alexandria Little League dates back to 1953, when Eugene Simpson contributed funds to build two baseball fields - "Big Simpson" and "Little Simpson" on the land located on E. Monroe Avenue in the Del Ray neighborhood of Alexandria. While baseball programs did exist in the city prior to that date, they were not well organized. In 1997, Alexandria Little League officially registered with Little League International.



In 2021, Alexandria Little League introduced its softball league to provide more sports opportunities for girls across the city. The league has seen exponential growth in participation and this year reached a major milestone with over 100 girls registered to play this Spring Season!

In 2025, Alexandria Little League introduced its inaugural divisions of T-ball and Coach Pitch for our youngest players, ages 4-7 doubling the numbers from 450 to over 800.

Generations of families have now played Alexandria Little League! If your friends or family have favorite stories or photos, please share them with us at: AlexandriaLLSponsorships@gmail.com



We select players to represent our league in our district All Stars Tournament and the Dukes Tournament during the summer. In addition, we host fun training camps over the summer as



well as skills clinics during the winter. We have parent workshops and development clinics and workshops for our coaches. Alexandria Little League is also a proud partner of Alexandria City Public Schools, where we provide two weeks of baseball lessons to every 4th grader in the city (reaching ~1,500 young people, across every elementary school)!

Operations

Alexandria Little League offers baseball and softball leagues during the Spring and Fall seasons. We provide financial aid and assist with equipment for any player that wants to play in the league. We follow our local rules, which are updated and reviewed by our board of directors each year.

Divisions

In the Spring of 2026, Alexandria Little League will host 12 baseball and softball divisions, comprised of over **820** players!



T-Ball & Coach Pitch

T-ball
Coach Pitch

Baseball

<u>Division</u>	<u>Age</u>
Minors-A	7-8
Minors-AA	9
Minors-AAA	10
Majors	11
Intermediate	12-13
Juniors	14
Seniors	15-16

Softball

Minors-A
Minors-AAA
Majors

A very special thanks to our division commissioners: Jessica Boucher (T-ball), Matt Hite (Coach Pitch), Matt Meehan (Minors-A), Ted Schmitt (Minors-AA), John Magri (Minors-AAA), Scott Keplinger (Majors), Randy Force (Intermediate), Matt Youngblood (Big Fields), and Lea Poggi and Rich Sweeney (Softball).

Miracle League of Alexandria

Alexandria Little League is a proud sponsor of the Miracle League of Alexandria, which provides recreation and sports opportunities for individuals with special needs.



Coaches and Volunteers

Alexandria Little League could not operate without the time our volunteers share with our league. At the heart of ALL are our coaches, who commit countless hours each season teaching the skills of the game, and instilling the values of sportsmanship, perseverance, teamwork, and most importantly encouraging players to have fun!



Thank you to our 2026 Spring Season Coaches!

T-ball

Coach Boucher	Coach Jankovitz
Coach Caputo	Coach Parker
Coach Dana	Coach Peevey
Coach Gratton	Coach Schmitz
Coach Hansen	Coach D. Smith
Coach Kandel	Coach J. Smith
Coach Kurz	Coach Theonnes

Coach Pitch

Coach Bird	Coach Keehn
Coach Cioffi	Coach Leopold
Coach Curran	Coach Smith
Coach Duba	Coach Theonnes
Coach Gottheim	Coach Vega
Coach Hebda	Coach Willman

Minors A

Coach Bruegger
Coach Dragher
Coach Hite
Coach Jones
Coach Schott
Coach Stephenson

Minors AA

Coach Blain
Coach Hinojosa
Coach Kurz
Coach Meehan
Coach White

Minors AAA

Coach Baig
Coach Campbell
Coach Evanina
Coach Holowina
Coach Leonard
Coach Mccabe

Majors

Coach Baird
Coach Baldwin
Coach Bruegger
Coach Force
Coach Harry
Coach Youngblood



Juniors/Seniors

Coach Dementi
Coach Joyner
Coach McMahon
Coach Tredesci

Intermediate

Coach Anderson
Coach Froemming
Coach Greenway
Coach Hyde
Coach Jones
Coach Miller
Coach Sass
Coach Strauss
Coach Sherman
Coach Root

Softball

Coach Coiffi
Coach Cotter
Coach Morrissey
Coach Seaton
Coach Sulick
Coach Sweeney
Coach West
Coach Zand

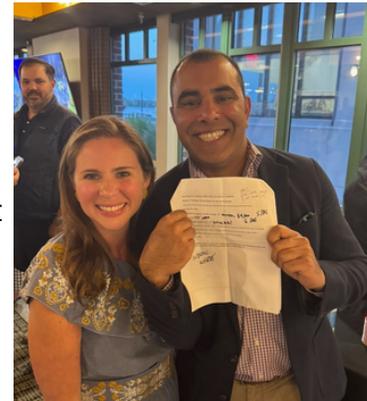


In addition to our dedicated coaches, our volunteers support ALL aspects of our league. Special thanks to the following individuals that manage critical activities necessary to operate our league this season:

- **Adult Game Coordinators:** Ashley Walker
- **ALL Day at Nationals Park:** Abby Froemming
- **All Stars Coordinator/Books:** Brandy Reber
- **Community Outreach:** Victor Prince
- **Del Ray vs. Old Town Softball Game:** Megan Blackburn
- **Dukes Tournament:** Randy Force
- **Emails & Comms:** Courtney Keplinger, Erin Davis
- **Equipment Manager:** Brian Jones
- **ALL History Initiative:** Ted Phillips
- **Special Field Projects:** Jeff Ferfolia
- **Spring2Action:** Amy Jackson
- **Equipment Swap:** Krista Ludwig Poretz
- **Fastball Fundraiser:** Amanda Hand
- **Graphics & Social Media:** Katie Wannan, Megan Blackburn & Melanie Evans
- **Home Run Derby:** Ryan Harry
- **League Photographer:** Mike Leonard
- **Local Rules:** Jon Hardin
- **Merchandise:** Dani White
- **Opening Ceremonies:** Carrie Lewis & Shawna Waylonis
- **Uniforms:** Megan Blackburn, Melanie Evans & Ryan Harry
- **YSAB Representatives:** Bill Blackburn, Vince Root

We are always looking for help from our community! MANY of our volunteer roles do not require coaching or baseball/softball experience! If you can spare 5 minutes or 5 hours of your time, please consider volunteering for the following:

- Annual “Fastball Fundraiser” Committee
- Concession Sales
- Field Preparation/Maintenance
- Fundraising and Finance Committee
- Grant Writing
- Graphic Design
- Homerun Derby
- Website Management

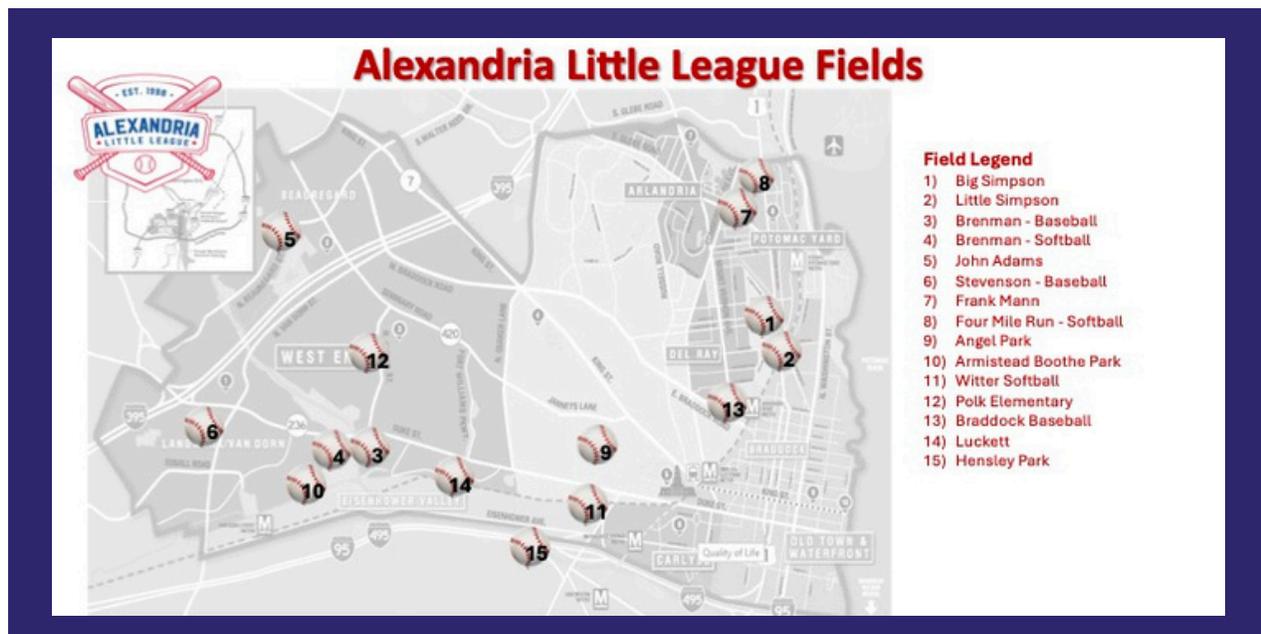


Alternatively, support your team directly by volunteering to be the team parent, adult game coordinator or to operate game changer for your team!



Fields

Our T-ball, Coach Pitch and Division A, AA, AAA, Majors and Intermediate baseball teams play on fields located throughout the City of Alexandria. (We appreciate everyone’s patience and flexibility while we wait for the grand “Re-Opening” of Simpson Fields in Fall 2026!) Our softball teams and Junior and Senior baseball teams play in Alexandria and against neighboring Little Leagues throughout the Northern Virginia Area.



Sponsorships

Alexandria Little League could not operate without the generous financial support of our sponsors, many of which have been with us year after year, and some of which have supported us since our inception! Please support those businesses that help support us!

Automotive

[Ben Nielsen's Alexandria Auto Care](#)

[Lindsay Automotive](#)

Construction, Development & Property Management

[AA Beiro](#)

[Character Companies INC.](#)

[Full Circle Property Solutions](#)

[Miller and Smith](#)

[Simpson Development Company](#)

Consulting and Advisory Services

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[Red Oak Strategic](#)

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[Pediatric Associates of Alexandria](#)

[Woodbine Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center](#)

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[Na Trioblodi](#)

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[Daniela Spigai Advisory at Compass](#)

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[Harris Teeter](#)

[Pippin Toy Company](#)

Services

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Thank you!
To Our Sponsors!



Spring 2026 Key Dates

Mark your calendars for a fun filled Spring Season!

MARCH 2026

3/27 5:30 pm - **Opening Ceremonies** - Frank Mann Field, 3700 Commonwealth Ave

APRIL 2026

4/11 - **Picture Day**

4/18 12:30 pm - **Miracle League Opening Ceremonies**

4/19 - **Little League Day at Nats Park**

4/22 - **Spring2Action** (launches Opening Day!)

4/25 - **Little League Night at Alexandria City High School Varsity Baseball Game** - Frank Mann

4/28 - **Little League Night at Alexandria City High School Varsity Softball Game** - Witter Field

MAY 2026

5/16 - **Fastball Fundraiser** - ALX Community Waterfront

JUNE 2026

6/1-6 - **ALL Championship Week**



Memories & Moments from the 2025 Season

We had so much fun during the 2025 Season! We can't wait to see what lies ahead in 2026!



Inaugural T-batters at their 1st Opening Day!



Little League Night at ACHS Baseball Game



Alexandria Little League Majors Team Recognized at Nats Park



Support from our Sponsors & City Council at Opening Day!



Intermediate All Stars District Champions!



We love when Sponsors come to watch us play!



Generous Scholarship Fund Support from the Del Ray & Old Town Business Associations



Ground Breaking at Simpson for Renovation!

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