

2025 SEASON

ALEXANDRIA LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY PROGRAM

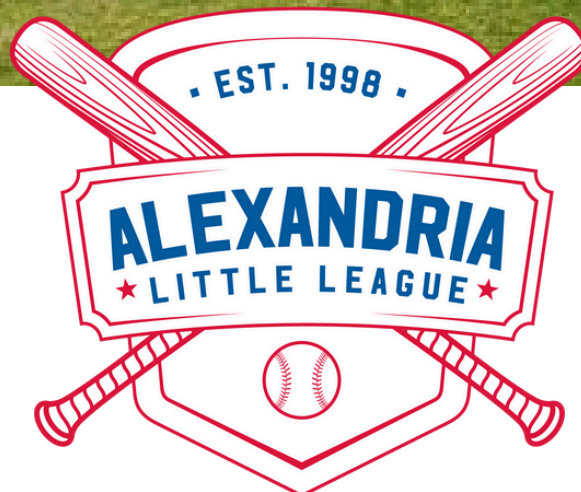


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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2025 Alexandria Little League spring season! This is a historic moment for Alexandria Little League as in a single year we have **almost doubled** the size of our league from 475 players in 2024, to over **820** players this year!



LAURA ENGEL

Alexandria Little League
President

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 fond 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 its 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:** 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. We love to hear stories as players reflect fondly on their times in ALL. For those that 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.

With an eye on Alexandria’s bright future in diamond sports, we are especially proud to welcome the inaugural divisions of co-ed T-ball and Coach Pitch! Formerly under the City’s RPCA, these programs now join ALL this spring. We are grateful for the partnership with RPCA and are thrilled to strengthen the pipeline of players, and grow the love of the game among our youngest players.

We have much to celebrate in our baseball and softball community in Alexandria. On behalf of the Board of Directors of ALL, I thank you for all that you have done and will do. Please join me in wishing the very best for the over 72 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 DAY

**MARCH 29, 2025
EUGENE SIMPSON FIELD**

Parade of Players

Anthony Dick

National Anthem

Julie Diehl, Bailey Gordon, Garren Lambelet, Malenda Mulder, Maeve O'Brien

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 and First Hit

Dana Colarulli
Jen Walker
Sarah Bagley
Teddy Canfield

2025 Alexandria Little League Photograph

Mike Leonard Photography

2025 ALL BOARD MEMBERS

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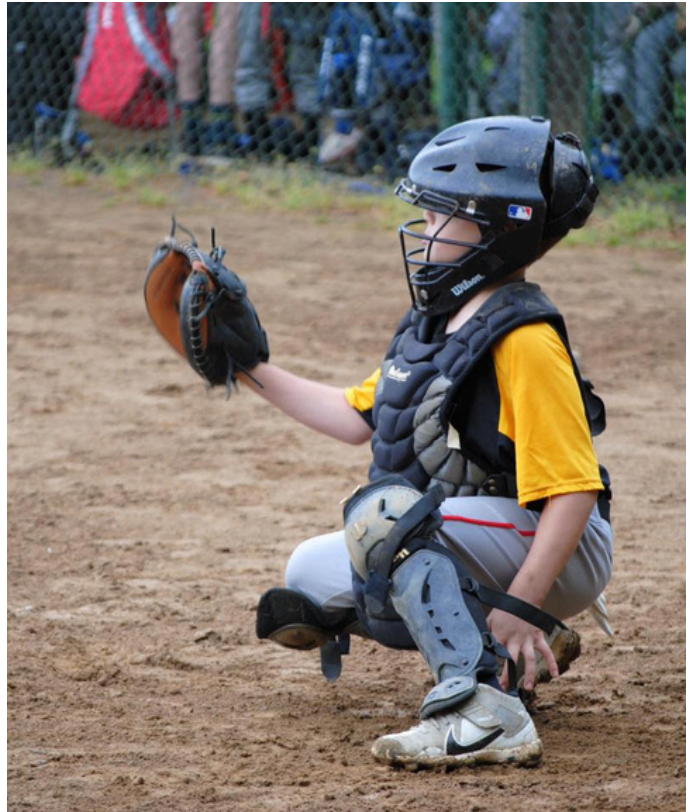
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Our Mission

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 each year!

This year we are proud to introduce our inaugural divisions of T-ball and Coach Pitch for our youngest players, ages 4-7.

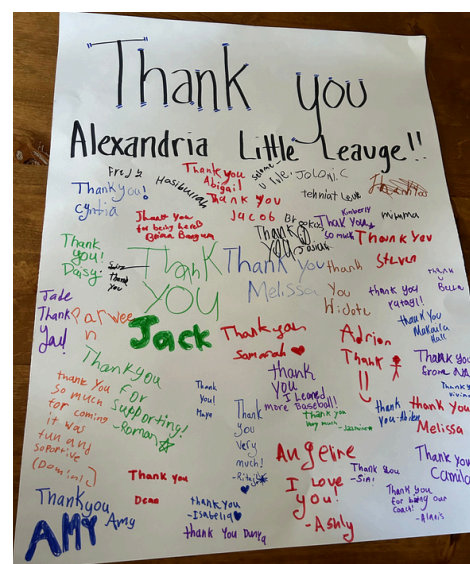
Generations of families have now played Alexandria Little League! If your friends or family have favorite stories or photos, please share them with us at:

AlexandriaLLSponsorships@gmail.com

Operations

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

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 ~1,300 young people, across every elementary school)!





Divisions

In 2025 Alexandria Little League will host 13 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	11-12
Intermediate	12-13
Juniors	14
Seniors	15-16

Softball

8U
10U
12U
Jr/Senior

A very special thanks to our division commissioners: Mike Coughlin (T-ball), Bill Evanina (Coach Pitch), Ryan Harry (Minors-A), Randy Force (Minors-AA), Neil Canfield (Minors-AAA), Chris Traci (Majors), Scott Keplinger (Intermediate), Oron Strauss (Jr/Sr), and Ben Matthews and Kris Ramsey (Softball).

Miracle League of Alexandria

Alexandria Little League is a proud supporter 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 our league 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 2025 Spring Season Coaches!

T-ball

Coach Arellano	Coach Hite
Coach Ash	Coach Hod
Coach Bird	Coach Jankovitz
Coach Boucher	Coach Leopold
Coach Caputo	Coach Maietta
Coach Deerin	Coach D. Smith
Coach Gitlin	Coach J. Smith
Coach Gottheim	Coach T. Smith
Coach Hebda	Coach Thoennes
Coach Hewson	

Coach Pitch

Coach Boyle
Coach Bruegger
Coach Curran
Coach Jones
Coach Kurz
Coach Owens
Coach Stephenson
Coach Vega

Minors A

Coach Meehan
Coach Rosenberg
Coach Smith
Coach White

Minors AA

Coach Baig
Coach Campbell
Coach Evanina
Coach Henry
Coach Hinojosa
Coach Holowina
Coach Leonard
Coach Mccabe

Minors AAA

Coach Baldwin
Coach Baird
Coach Greenwell
Coach Harry
Coach Moffat
Coach Youngblood

Majors

Coach Force
Coach Jones
Coach Magri
Coach Patashnick
Coach Sass
Coach Smith

Intermediate

Coach Anderson
Coach Blackwood
Coach Greenway
Coach Greenwell
Coach Hyde
Coach Miller
Coach Sherman
Coach Root

Juniors

Coach Coughlin

Seniors

Coach Strauss



Softball

Coach Buckels
Coach Moses
Coach Poggi
Coach Prosser
Coach Seaton
Coach Sweeney

In addition to our dedicated coaches, our volunteers support ALL aspects of our league (many of which do not require coaching or baseball/softball experience!) 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
- **Coaches Clinic:** Steve Sternberg
- **Del Ray vs. Old Town Softball Game:** Megan Blackburn
- **Equipment Managers:** Matt Youngblood, Mike Coughlin, Kit Wannan
- **Fastball Fundraiser:** Amanda Hand
- **Local Rules:** Dave Funk
- **Merchandise:** Dani White
- **Opening Day:** Alicia Backous
- **Social Media:** Katie Wannan, Melanie Evans
- **Spring2Action:** Erin Davis
- **Uniforms:** Ryan Harry

We are always looking for help from our community! If you can spare 5 minutes or 5 hours of your time, please consider volunteering for the following:

- Annual “Fastball Fundraiser” Committee
- Concession Sales
- Dukes Tournament
- 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. Our softball teams and Junior and Senior baseball teams play in Alexandria and against neighboring Little Leagues throughout the Northern Virginia Area.

Alexandria Little League Fields

Field Legend

- 1) Big Simpson
- 2) Little Simpson
- 3) Brenman - Baseball
- 4) Brenman - Softball
- 5) John Adams
- 6) Stevenson - Baseball
- 7) Frank Mann
- 8) Four Mile Run - Softball
- 9) Angel Park
- 10) Armistead Boothe Park
- 11) Witter Softball
- 12) Polk Elementary
- 13) Braddock Baseball
- 14) Luckett
- 15) Hensley Park

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!

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Thank you!

TO OUR SPONSORS!



Spring 2025 Key Dates

Mark your calendars for a fun filled Spring Season!

MARCH 2025

3/5 6:30-8:30pm - Mandatory Coaches Meeting: Positive Coaching, Rules, Using Website - Charles Houston Rec Center "Senior Room"

3/12 7:15-8:15pm - Mandatory Virtual Parents Meeting. red

3/14-17 - Dicks Sporting Goods ALL Discount Weekend - Baileys Crossroads Store

3/15 9-11:00am ALL Field Clean Up "Little Simpson" and Ben Brenman Fields

3/16 11:00am-1:00pm - Umpire Training - Little Simpson Field; Interest Form

3/20 6:30pm - Arm Care Clinic featuring Dr. Pete Thomas - Mt. Vernon Rec Center - 2701 Commonwealth Avenue

3/29 10:30am - Opening Day and Team Photos - Little Simpson Field 426 E. Monroe Avenue

APRIL 2025

4/6 - Little League Day at Nats Park

4/9 - Spring2Action (launches Opening Day!)

4/25 6:30pm Little League Night at Alexandria City High School Varsity Baseball Game - Big Simpson Field 426 E. Monroe Avenue

MAY 2025

5/10 6:00 pm - T-ball Night at Little Simpson Friday Night Lights game

5/31 - Fastball Fundraiser at the Dugout - 315 Hoofs Run Drive

JUNE 2025

6/2-6 ALL Championship Week

6/2 - Del Ray vs. Old Town Softball Game - Little Simpson Field 426 E. Monroe Avenue

6/6 - Little League Night at the Alexandria Aces - Frank Mann Field 3700 Commonwealth Ave

TBD Homerun Derby - Little Simpson Field 426 E. Monroe Avenue



2024 Season Accomplishments

Although we are so ready to “Play Ball” this Spring Season, we would be remiss not to highlight some of the major moments of the 2024 Season! From summer camps and Sandlot games, to the Alexandria Dukers, to historic cross-over games of All-Stars baseball 10s and Majors, summer 2024 was epic! Can’t wait to see what lies ahead in summer 2025!



2024 Juniors District 4 Champions



2024 Alexandria Dukers



2024 District 4 and VA State Intermediate Champions

Small and Mighty

Little League Softball makes history with state tourney appearance.

By JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

The Alexandria Little League 8-9-10s softball team made history after earning its inaugural spot in the July 2024 Virginia State tournament.

The accomplishment is a milestone for both Alexandria Little League's softball program and the City of Alexandria. After debuting a softball team in the All-Stars tournament last year, Alexandria is now set to compete in its first-ever State Tournament.

The team is under the guidance of Head Coach David Zand, with Laynee Buckels and Leanne Buckels rounding out the coaching staff.

"The Alexandria Little League 8-9-10s softball team has showcased remarkable skill and teamwork this season," said Little League president Laura Enyle. "They have overcome



Lucy Zand at bat during an Alexandria Little League 8-9-10s softball game.



Manager David Zand, left, celebrates with the Alexandria Little League softball team after securing a spot in the Virginia State Tournament to be in McLean.

"The Little League softball team serves as inspiration for future generations of

ALL's 8, 9, 10's Softball Team's First Appearance in State All Star Tournament



City Council recognized ALL Intermediate All Star State Champs and ALL's service to the City with the reading of a Proclamation



Alexandria Hosts 9 District Championship Teams for Intermediate State All Star Tournament

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