

# SOUTHWEST REGIONAL **STARKVILLE, MS • JULY 17-21**



#### **TOURNAMENT DETAILS**

THE SOUTHWEST REGION OF BABE RUTH LEAGUE IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH THE CORNERSTONE SPORTS COMPLEX AND THE CITY OF STARKVILLE. MISSISSIPPI FOR THIS YEAR'S SOUTHWEST REGIONAL TOURNAMENT.

**TEAM FEE INCLUDES:** 

- GAME BALLS
- UMPIRES
- AWARDS
- 4 GAME MINIMUM
- CONSOLATION AND CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKETS
- WS OUALIFYING DIVISION CHAMPIONS ADVANCE TO WORLD SERIES AND RECEIVE TRAVEL STIPEND



**\$350 TEAM FEE** 

**REGIONAL INFORMATION** 

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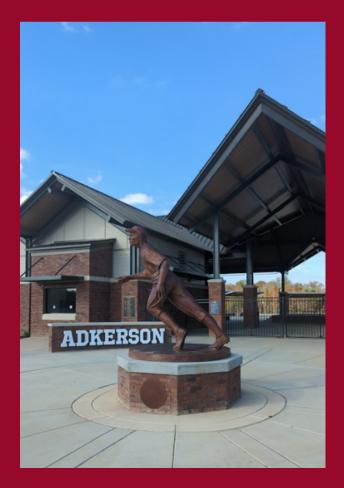
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### **ABOUT STARKVILLE**

THE CHARMING SOUTHERN TOWN OF STARKVILLE OFFERS VISITORS MANY AMENITIES AND THEIR "COTTON DISTRICT" FEATURES DOZENS OF LOCAL DINING, SHOPPING, AND LODGING OPTIONS FOR TRAVELING TEAMS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

- 12 NATIONALLY-FLAGGED HOTELS WITH 868 ROOMS
- 38 MINUTES FROM THE NEAREST AIRPORT
- JUST UNDER 3 HOURS FROM MEMPHIS, TN
- 2.5 HOURS FROM BIRMINGHAM, AL & JACKSON, MS





DID YOU KNOW THAT T-BALL ORIGINATED IN 1961 IN STARKVILLE? THERE IS NO BETTER WAY TO COMMEMORATE THIS RICH HISTORY OF T-BALL AND BASEBALL THAN CORNERSTONE HAVING TWO T-BALL FIELDS DEDICATED TO THIS HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT. ALONG WITH ANOTHER HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT OF STARKVILLE'S RICH BASEBALL HISTORY IS THROUGH JAMES THOMAS "COOL PAPA" BELL. COOL PAPA BELL WILL HAVE A STATUE AND PLAZA IN HIS HONOR AT CORNERSTONE SPORTS COMPLEX. COOL PAPA BELL WAS AN AMERICAN CENTER FIELDER IN THE NEGRO LEAGUE BASEBALL FROM 1922 TO 1946 AND IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE FASTEST MEN TO EVER PLAY THE GAME. HE WAS LATER ELECTED TO THE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME IN 1974. AND LASTLY BUT SURE NOT LEAST, MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY IS TRULY THE CORNERSTONE OF STARKVILLE. ESTABLISHED IN 1878 MSU HAS MORE THAN 140 YEARS OF ITS OWN RICH HISTORY. AND HERE AT CORNERSTONE, WE WILL GROW MSU STUDENT ATHLETES OF THE FUTURE AND TEACH THEM THE BULLDOG PRIDE WE ALL HAVE INSIDE. COME BE A PART OF THE RICH HISTORY OF BASEBALL IN STARKVILLE AND LET'S MAKE MORE HISTORY AT THIS AMAZING NEW SPORTS COMPLEX!





### **ABOUT CORNERSTONE**

<u>CORNERSTONE SPORTS COMPLEX</u> 226 CORNERSTONE BLVD STARKVILLE, MS 39759

- 124-ACRE PARK OPENED FALL 2023
- 10 225 FT FIELDS
- 2 250 FT FIELDS
- 2 T-BALL FIELDS
- BATTING CAGES
- MUSCO LED LIGHTING THROUGHOUT THE PARK
- MUSCOVISION LIVE STREAMING OF GAMES
- PLAYGROUND/FLEX SPACE
- WALKING TRAILS
- WARM-UP AREAS
- COMMUNITY LAWN SPACES

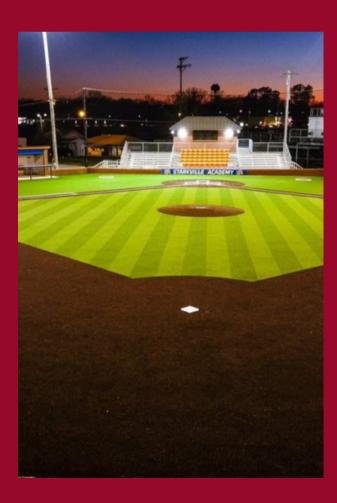


#### STARKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND STARKVILLE ACADEMY

ALL 13 YEAR-OLD AND 14 YEAR-OLD GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT:

STARKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 603 YELLOW JACKET DR, STARKVILLE, MS 39759

STARKVILLE ACADEMY 505 ACADEMY RD, STARKVILLE, MS 39759







### ACCOMODATIONS

BABE RUTH LEAGUE'S SOUTHWEST REGION HAS PARTNERED WITH EVENTCONNECT TO BE THE OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLATFORM AND BOOKING ENGINE FOR ALL TEAMS! THIS IS A STAY-TO-PLAY EVENT. THERE IS A \$300 TEAM OPT-OUT FEE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING A TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.



DISCOUNTED HOTEL RATES AT TEAM FRIENDLY PROPERTIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE EVENT HOTEL FEED. TO GAIN ACCESS, PLEASE REGISTER YOUR TEAM, CONTACT YOUR COACH, OR REACH OUT TO THE EVENTCONNECT CUSTOMER SUCCESS TEAM.



FOR A TEAM MANAGER LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN ACTIVATING A GROUP BLOCK OF ROOMS, PLEASE CONTACT EVENTCONNECT EVENT SPECIALIST AT 1-888-723-2064 EXT. 823 OR BY EMAIL AT EVENTS@EVENTCONNECT.IO

FOR A TEAM MEMBER LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN REGARDS TO A RESERVATION, PLEASE CONTACT OUR CUSTOMER SUCCESS TEAM AT 1-888-723-2064 OR BY EMAIL AT SUPPORT@EVENTCONNECT.IO



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### **ADMISSION**

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH YOUR EVENT CONNECT TEAM DASHBOARD. NO CASH TRANSACTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONSITE.

THE 4-DAY ADULT PASS IS \$40 FOR THE ENTIRE EVENT AND INCLUDES A SOUVENIR WRISTBAND FOR IDENTIFICATION.

ALL CHILDREN (12 & UNDER) ARE FREE BUT REQUIRE A \$0 TICKET PURCHASE TO RECIEVE WRISTBAND.

WRISTBAND ALLOWS FOR ENTRY AT ALL 3 COMPLEXES.



#### **PHOTOS AND SOUVENIRS**



OFFICIAL EVENT SOUVENIRS WILL BE SOLD PRE-SALE AND ONSITE BY TEAM IP.

OFFIICIAL EVENT PHOTGRAPHY WILL BE SOLD PRE-SALE AND ONSITE BY PHOTOMULES.



#00 Player Name

# I4-Year-Old

# **Decorate the Park Banners**

30"X60" PLAYER BANNERS WILL BE HUNG AROUND THE PARK AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TOURNAMENT. PURCHASE ON YOUR EVENT CONNECT TEAM DASHBOARD.





#### DIVISIONS

- 6YEAR-OLD T-BALL WORLD CLASSIC
- 7 YEAR-OLD COACH PITCH
- 8 YEAR-OLD COACH PITCH
- 9 YEAR-OLD
- 10 YEAR-OLD
- 11 YEAR-OLD MAJOR70
- 12 YEAR-OLD MAJOR70
- 13 YEAR-OLD
- 14 YEAR-OLD

#### BABE RUTH LEAGUE AFFILIATED TEAMS: \$350 OPEN DIVISION (OTHER AFFILIATIONS): \$500

\*OPEN DIVISION IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO ADVANCE TO WORLD SERIES OR RECEIVE TRAVEL STIPEND



#### **RULES**

ALL TEAMS AND GAMES ARE GOVERNED BY THE <u>RULES AND</u> <u>REGULATIONS OF BABE RUTH LEAGUE, INC</u>.

PLEASE SEE THE 2024 BABE RUTH BASEBALL RULEBOOK FOR SPECIFIC RULES GOVERNING GAMEPLAY FOR 9 YEAR-OLD THROUGH 14 YEAR-OLD DIVISIONS.

**SOUTHWEST REGION T-BALL RULES** 

SOUTHWEST REGION 7YO AND 8YO COACH PITCH RULES







## WORLD SERIES QUALIFYING INFORMATION

#### 2024 WORLD SERIES QUALIFYING AGE GROUPS

- 10 YEAR-OLD CHAMPION
  - TRAVEL STIPEND OF \$350 PER ROSTERED PARTICIPANT
- 12 YEAR-OLD MAJOR70 CHAMPION
  - TRAVEL STIPEND OF \$250 PER ROSTERED PARTICIPANT
- 13 YEAR-OLD CHAMPION
  - TRAVEL STIPEND OF \$350 PER ROSTERED PARTICIPANT
- 14 YEAR-OLD CHAMPION
  - TRAVEL STIPEND OF \$250 PER ROSTERED PARTICIPANT

WORLD SERIES	LOCATION	REGIONAL END DATE	TEAM TRAVEL REPORT DATE	CHAMPIONSHIP DAY	TEAM DEPARTURE DATE
BABE RUTH SOFTBALL (8u-18u) ALL AGES	FLORENCE, AL	JULY 6 <sup>TH</sup>	JULY 23 <sup>80</sup>	JULY 31 <sup>51</sup>	AUGUST 1ST
CAL RIPKEN 8 YEAR OLD MACHINE PITCH	OCALA, FL	JULY 20TH	AUGUST 1 <sup>ST</sup>	AUGUST 10TH	AUGUST 11TH
CAL RIPKEN 9's-11/70	FLORENCE, AL	JULY 20 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 1 <sup>ST</sup>	AUGUST 10 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 11TH
CAL RIPKEN 10 YEAR OLD	CROWN POINT, IN	JULY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 8 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 18TH
CAL RIPKEN 12/70	BRANSON, MO	JULY 26 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 7 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17TH	AUGUST 18 <sup>TH</sup>
BABE RUTH BASEBALL 13 YEAR OLD	GLEN ALLEN, VA	JULY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 8 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17TH	AUGUST 18TH
BABE RUTH BASEBALL 14 YEAR OLD	EAGLE PASS, TX	JULY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 8 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17TH	AUGUST 18TH
BABE RUTH BASEBALL 13-16 YEAR OLD	BRANSON, MO	JULY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 8 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17TH	AUGUST 18TH
BABE RUTH BASEBALL 16-18 YEAR OLD	CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO	JULY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 8TH	AUGUST 15TH	AUGUST 16™
CAL RIPKEN 8 YEAR OLD PLAYER PITCH	CHERRY HILL, NJ	JULY 28 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 10 <sup>TH</sup>	AUGUST 17TH	AUGUST 18 <sup>TH</sup>



#### T-BALL WORLD CLASSIC INFORMATION

STEP INTO THE EXCITEMENT OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, **RENOWNED AS THE BIRTHPLACE OF T-BALL, AS IT PROUDLY** HOSTS THE FIRST-EVER CAL RIPKEN T-BALL WORLD CLASSIC. TEAMS FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD WILL CONVERGE ON THIS HISTORIC TOWN TO SHOWCASE THEIR BASEBALL PROWESS, CULTURAL UNITY. AND SPORTSMANSHIP. EXPERIENCE THE JOY AND INSPIRATION AS THESE YOUNG ATHLETES, FUELED BY PASSION AND DETERMINATION. CREATE LASTING **MEMORIES** AND FRIENDSHIPS ON AND OFF THE FIELD. JOIN US FOR AN **UNFORGETTABLE CELEBRATION OF T-BALL. WHERE THE SPIRIT** OF THE GAME UNITES NATIONS AND THE FUTURE OF BASEBALL SHINES BRIGHTLY.

RULES FOR THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SOUTHWEST REGION. SEE COMPLETE T-BALL RULES HERE.



