



2026 USSSA AA/AAA Baseball World Series

Divisions:

7U, 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, 13U (60/90), 14U (60/90)

Dates:

June 26 – June 28, 2026

Official World Series Website: [link](#)

Welcome

Congratulations on an outstanding season, and welcome to the **2026 USSSA Baseball World Series!** Your tournament host will be **East Tennessee USSSA**, and our goal is to create an experience that players, coaches, and families will remember for a lifetime.

Games will be played at the following venues:

- **Domtar Sports Complex** – Kingsport, TN
- **Brickyard Park** – Kingsport, TN
- **Ridgeview School Complex** – Gray, TN
- **Whitetop Creek Park** – Bristol, TN

Tournament Format

The USSSA Baseball program will utilize a **Pool Play format** for this World Series.

- Each team will play **two (2) pool play games**
- Teams will then advance to a **double-elimination championship bracket**
- **Pool Play Seeding:** USSSA Points + USSSA Power Rating
- **Bracket Play Seeding:** Pool play standings
- **Minimum Games Guaranteed:** Four (4)

Skills Competition

- **Friday, June 26, 2026**
- **Location:** Brickyard Park

Online Rosters

- Online rosters must be **completed by Monday, June 22, 2026.**
- **No players may be added after June 22, 2026.**
- All participating players must have a **photocopy of their original birth certificate** in the possession of the team manager.

Failure to provide documentation upon request may result in:

- Game forfeiture
- Ejection from the tournament
- Placement last in the standings
- Forfeiture of all awards

Prior to the team's first pool game, the **Head Coach** must sign a verification form confirming:

- All rostered players are of correct playing age
- Copies of birth certificates and approved grade exemptions (if applicable) are in possession

Player & Equipment Rules

- Players may compete in a higher age division but **may not play down.**
- Field dimensions will follow **USSSA rules for each age division.**
- All players must be fully uniformed, including:
 - Pants, Socks, Cap
 - Team jersey with **non-duplicating numbers**, minimum **3 inches in height**
- **Uniform protests not permitted.** Uniform legality is at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- **Metal spikes are prohibited** in age groups **7U–12U**.
- **Metal spikes are prohibited on portable mounds** for **13U & 14U**
(*Portable mounds used at Brickyard Park and Ridgeview School Complex*).
- A **full-use batting helmet** covering the top, back, and both sides of the head must be worn:
 - At bat
 - On deck
 - While on the bases
- Catchers must wear full protective gear:
 - Mask
 - Chest protector
 - Shin guards
 - Protective cup
 - Catcher's helmet

Ages 7U–14U: Catcher helmets must fully cover the ears.

Opening Ceremonies

- **Thursday, June 25, 2026**
- **Arrival Time:** 5:00 PM
- **Location:** Hunter Wright Stadium
801 Granby Road, Kingsport, TN 37660

Teams should arrive on time to line up for the **Parade of Teams**.

- Team banners and/or state flags are encouraged
- Players and coaches should be in uniform
(*Jerseys and shorts are acceptable*)

Tournament Admission

Adults (Ages 13 & up): \$15/day

Youth (Ages 10–12): \$10/day

Schedules

- **Official brackets will be posted:** Wednesday, June 25, 2026 @ 10:00 PM

Coaches & Bench Personnel

- **7U–8U:** Maximum of **4** **bench personnel**
- **9U–14U:** Maximum of **3** **bench personnel**
- Coach passes:
 - **7U–8U:** Four (4)
 - **9U–14U:** Three (3)

Protests

- Protests must be made **verbally to the umpire** at the time of the play and **before the next pitch**
- A **\$100 cash protest fee** is required (*refunded if upheld*)
- Only protests involving **misinterpretation or misapplication of a rule** will be considered
- Judgment calls **may not be protested**
- All protest committee decisions are **final**

Tournament Housing

The World Series is not a stay to play event. When booking rooms mention you are playing in the USSSA World Series and ask if any discounts exist

Official World Series Host Hotel Link: [link](#)

Rules of Conduct

The United States Specialty Sports Association is committed to conducting first-class tournaments and requires cooperation from all participants.

- Head Coaches are responsible for player and parent conduct **on and off the field**
- Only the **Head Coach** may address game officials regarding disputed calls
- Unsportsmanlike behavior should be reported to the Tournament Director immediately
- Players, coaches, or spectators may be suspended for fighting, abusive behavior, or actions detrimental to the tournament

Pin Trading / Player Card Trading

Pin trading is a long-standing USSSA World Series tradition.

- Team pins are optional but encouraged
- Players may trade pins or throughout the event, the best opportunity will be at the Team Parade
- New to 2026, Players will have the opportunity to trade personal player cards

Awards

- Team trophies awarded to **1st and 2nd Place**
- Individual awards for players on **1st and 2nd Place** teams