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California D4 Finances

-March Statement-

Opening Balance	33,084.94
District Dues	2100.00
January Dinner	-304.10
Staff Apparel	-1511.15
Congress Dinner	-840.40
Congress Hotel	-10,542.96
Challenger Day with A's	-2,000.00
Wilson Trophy	-3718.71
Western Region Hospitality	-1000.00
Junior Umpire Clinic	-389.41
Bank Fee	-3.00
Ending Balance	14,875.21



J.D. Palatine to Provide National Background Check Services for Little League® International Volunteers

February 27, 2018

Little League® International has long been committed to the safety of its players, families, and volunteers, both on and off the field. To that end, all local Little League programs in the United States are required to conduct national criminal background checks, in addition to a search of the Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry, for each volunteer with regular service to the league or repetitive access to children.

For many years, Little League International has paid for the first 125 free background checks for each local league and district. Effective immediately, those 125 free checks will be available through a new provider, [J.D. Palatine \(JDP\)](#), which has access to more than 450 million records, which include criminal records and sex offender registry records across 50 states and the District of Columbia.

The JDP system also allows board members conducting the background checks to send a link to their volunteers to complete the Little League Volunteer Application online. A league board member can enter the volunteer's information, name and email address, on the JDP website under "Quick App." This will allow the league volunteer to complete their own volunteer application, including the social security number. The Little League Volunteer Application is tied with the background check and can be viewed on the



Lewis Cup Standings

Alameda	862
Albany	1695
Antioch	1208
Clayton Valley	1250
Concord American	1633
Concord Continental	1637
East County	1702
Lafayette	602
Martinez	1238
North Oakland	1488
Pinole Hercules	798
Pittsburg	1244
Richmond	1182
South Oakland	1487
Walnut Creek	1265



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leagues JDP Portal. Leagues must still verify the volunteer's application with a government-issued photo ID.

Each league will continue to receive a total of 125 free background checks that are available through either [JDP](#) or [First Advantage](#), or a combination of the two companies. Leagues and districts will only be able to utilize First Advantage for free background checks until March 1, 2018. Thereafter, all background checks conducted through First Advantage will cost \$1.20 per check. Those Leagues and districts which have completed its required checks for the 2018 season through First Advantage do NOT need to submit new checks through JDP.

The Little League® Background Check regulation I (c) 8 and 9 is part of the Child Protection Program, and is in place to help local leagues and districts deter anyone who may wish to do harm to the participants and volunteers in our program. And leagues are reminded that in addition to Little League's background check regulations, all leagues are also required to fully comply with state and local laws.

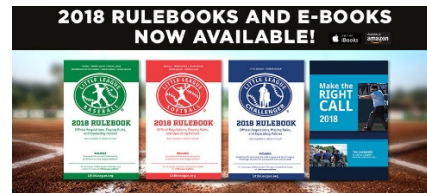
Free online JDP tutorials are now available to help local league and district officials become familiar with completion of the background check process and offers user support (855-799-8753; littleleague@jdp.com). Other background check resources and information are available on the [LittleLeague.org Child Protection page](http://LittleLeague.org/ChildProtectionpage).

Little League's background check regulations will remain unchanged for 2018 season, as JDP is comparable to First Advantage, however the regulation will change in 2019. More information will be available on the new regulation following the 2018 season.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Little League Support at support@LittleLeague.org.

2018 Little League® Rulebooks Now Available in Print and as E-Books

February 23, 2018



The 2018 [Little League Baseball®](#), [Little League Softball®](#), and [Little League Challenger Division®](#) Official Regulations, Playing Rules, and Policies are now available for purchase in hardcopy or as an electronic book.

The hardcopies of the rulebooks are currently available through LittleLeagueStore.net for \$7. Local Little League programs can purchase hard copy rulebooks from LittleLeaguestore.net for \$2. To take advantage of this \$2 offer, individuals must [create an account on LittleLeagueStore.net](#) and the discount will be automatically applied.

The rulebooks will also be available through the Apple and Amazon stores. The eBook format, optimized for use on all mobile devices, will feature each program's complete rules, along with search functionality and a lower price of \$4.99 per book.

Here's where you can find all three 2018 Official Regulations, Playing Rules, and Policies:

Little League Baseball® Rulebooks

- [Hardcopy](#) | [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#) | [Google](#)

Little League Baseball® Rulebooks (Spanish Version)

- [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#) | [Google](#)

Little League Softball® Rulebooks

- [Hardcopy](#) | [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#) | [Google](#)

Little League Softball® Rulebooks (Spanish Version)

- [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#) | [Google](#)

Little League Challenger Division® Rulebooks

- [Hardcopy](#) | [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#)

Umpire: Make the Right Call

- [Hardcopy](#) | [Apple](#) | [Amazon](#)

It is strongly encouraged that all local league Board Members, managers and coaches, umpires, and other league volunteers have a copy of the most up-to-date rulebook.

For more information on [2018 rule changes and clarifications](#), visit LittleLeague.org.



From ADA Challengers,
Stephen Mohammed

Just a reminder to please send in your donation for the Jamboree to Ted Boet, DA. Thank you to the leagues who have sent in their donation.



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Second reminder - Please don't forget about our Challenger Day with the A's on June 9th.

Thank you, Stephen Mohammed DA ADA Challengers



Little League Baseball

These are the last few days before opening day. The excitement is in the air. Kids and adults getting onto the baseball field. What do we need to make sure the kids have fun and experience the values we are teaching to them. Please make sure you have the following items when you are playing interleague:

- * Team Binder
- * Pitch count affidavit
- * Each coach certificate for CDC heads up:

<https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>

* Interleague Rules:
<https://static.secure.website/wscfus/3700101/7460207/60foot-interleague-rules-final.pdf>

Any incidents that should arise in your games please send them to me via e-mail within 24 hours of game ending. If you have questions please send me emails.

Thanks,

Marco Rosen
D4 ADA Baseball



Junior Umpire Clinic Recap

Thanks to the eight leagues that sent your Junior Umpires to our clinic on March 4th. We maxed out attendance at 36 which is double the number from last year! The future of volunteer umpires is our youth so put them to work with their newly learned skills! Thank you to the Board of Directors of Martinez for hosting the clinic for us, for providing lunch, and for getting players out for our Camp Games scrimmages.

Big Diamond Mechanics Clinic

Last call for students to attend our Big Diamond Mechanics clinic this coming Sunday at Oakland Caldecott Field. Clinic instruction starts at 9:00am and ends at 1:00pm. This is the clinic for all of your Intermediate, Junior and Senior baseball umpires.

Interleague Baseball and Softball Rules Updated for 2018

The District 4 Interleague rules for all divisions of play in both baseball and softball have been updated and are posted on the appropriate page on the District 4 website. Please remember that any game in District 4 played between teams from two different leagues is considered to part of the District Interleague program, and should be played by these rules.

Reminder on Regulations for Different Ages and Type of Play

Tee Ball, ages 4-7.

Either coach pitching or hit from tee, or combination. Only USA Baseball approved Tee Balls and USA Baseball approved Tee Ball bats (26" or shorter) may be used.

Minor, ages 7-11. Can be coach pitch, machine pitch or player pitch. No hitting off tee at any time. Ages 5-6 who have one year of Tee Ball may advance to a Coach Pitch or Machine Pitch level only, no player pitching. Players age 12 may play Minor with approval of DA.

Major, ages 9-12. Player Pitch only.

Intermediate, ages 11-13.

Junior, ages 12-14

Senior, ages 13-16

A league may provide that at Intermediate, Junior and Senior a player may participate in two divisions during same season.



"Oakland A's Little League Days"

*Sunday, April 22nd vs. Boston Red Sox

*Sunday, May 6th vs. Baltimore Orioles

*Get group tickets ASAP

*Plaza Reserved section for both games have been "Sold Out".

*Discounted Group Seating for 15+ available.

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