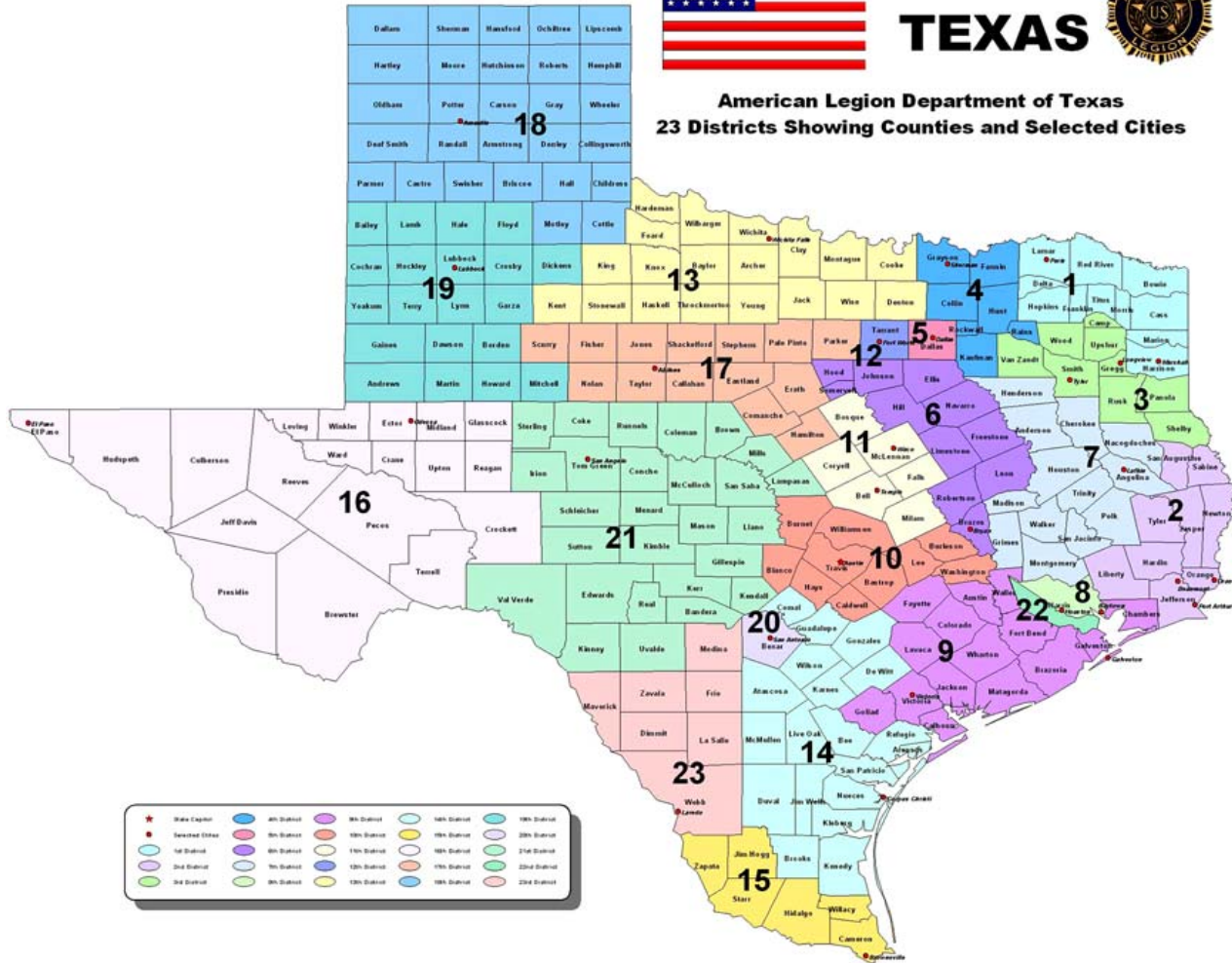




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**THE AMERICAN LEGION
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2010 BASEBALL**



*The American Legion
proudly presents an
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AMERICAN
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BASEBALL*

**85th
Season**



AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Each year over 125,000 young men participate in American Legion Baseball, the nation's oldest and most-respected nationwide baseball program. Through teams in all 50 states and Puerto Rico these young men learn practical lessons in sportsmanship and citizenship. The tremendous success and longevity of American Legion Baseball would not be possible without the support and dedication of volunteers at every level.

BENEFITS

- Provide community youths with a positive and well-disciplined environment to play baseball.
- Help youth to develop self-confidence and build self-esteem.
- Promote good sportsmanship.
- Promote physical fitness.
- Generates positive attitude that carry on for a lifetime.
- Fosters good community relations.
- Promote good citizenship through participation in America's national pastime.

AMERICAN TRADITION

Many present and former Major League Baseball players were members of

American Legion Baseball clubs as teenagers. Did you know Bob Gibson, Johnny Bench, Gaylord Perry, Mark McGuire, Jeff Bagwell, and many others started their organized baseball careers as members of American Legion ball clubs? It's true! When hall of famer Stan "The Man" Musial was asked about his American Legion Baseball playing memories, he said....

"I was proud to wear the American Legion uniform because it was the first uniform I had. American Legion has supported baseball many years and they have an outstanding program for our young players"

Yes... baseball is one of America's great traditions. Step up to the plate and become a part of this tradition.

Contact your local American Legion Post, or contact The American Legion, Department of Texas:

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SPORTSMANSHIP

It is expected that the rules of fair play and sportsmanship will be strictly adhered to throughout the program. Win if you can, but always remember that

there are values to be gained over and above the mere winning of a contest.

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WHO CAN PLAY

Any High School player who was born on or after January 1, 1991.

WHAT IS THE COST

There is no direct cost to any player to play American Legion Baseball. The team must pay a \$50 registration fee to American Legion National, \$100 registration fee to the American Legion Department of Texas and purchase insurance that cost about \$400 for each team. In addition there may be some equipment, field, and travel costs. Most teams find local support, including, their local American Legion Posts as well as other local organizations. Many hold local fundraisers to help defray expenses.

WHERE CAN I FIND INFORMATION

You can find information on the web at www.txlegiom.org/baseball.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Local (District) play begins in June and runs through the middle of July. Each District will advance one or more teams (Per current Department rules) through tournaments completed by July 11, 2010.

Each district champion will compete for the Division championship in a tournament held by July 25, 2010. There will be four teams advance, along with a host team to the Department Tournament to be held July 27 through August 1, 2010.

State Champions will advance to National Regional's to be held August 5-9, 2010 in Grand Prairie Texas. Winners from each Regional will advance to the World Series held August 13, 2010 in Spokane WA.

IMPORTANT DATES

- June 1: Registration Form and Fees must be filed with National at www.legion.org/baseball.
- June 1-July 11: District Play and Tournaments
- July 12-July 25: Division Tournaments
- July 27-Aug.1: Department Tournament Location – TBA
- Aug.5-Aug.9: Regional Tournament, Grand Prairie TX.
- Aug-13-17 World Series Spokane WA.