

Schedule announced for 2011 Junior League World Series in Taylor

The schedule for the 31st annual Junior League Baseball World Series has been announced.

Opening ceremonies of the international tournament for the world's best teams of 13- and 14-year-old ballplayers take place Saturday at Taylor's Heritage Park, 12111 Pardee Road. Games get under way Sunday and conclude with the world championship game at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 20.

The Teams

International Pool

Asia-Pacific Regional Champions: Taoyuan, Chinese Taipei
 Latin America Regional Champions: Maracaibo, Venezuela
 Europe, Middle East, Africa (EMEA) Champions: Emilia, Italy
 Puerto Rico National Champions: Yabucoa, Puerto Rico
 Canadian National Champions: Surrey, British Columbia

USA Pool

USA Central Regional Champions: North Canton, Ohio
 USA East Regional Champions: Johnston, Rhode Island
 USA Southeast Regional Champions: Tampa, Florida
 USA Southwest Regional Champions: Rosenberg, Texas
 USA West Regional Champions: Tucson, Arizona

Saturday, August 13

8 p.m. Opening Ceremonies featuring the Parade of Champions, the team's anthems, speeches by dignitaries, a special ceremonial first pitch and fireworks. Admission is free.

Sunday, August 14

Noon USA Central vs. USA East
 2:45 p.m. EMEA vs. Asia-Pacific
 5:30 p.m. USA West vs. USA Southeast
 8:15 p.m. Latin America vs. Puerto Rico

Monday, August 15

11 a.m. USA West vs. USA Southwest
 2 p.m. Puerto Rico vs. Canada
 5 p.m. Asia-Pacific vs. Latin America
 8 p.m. USA East vs. USA Southeast

Tuesday, August 16

11 a.m. EMEA vs. Latin America
 2 p.m. USA East vs. USA West
 5 p.m. Asia-Pacific vs. Canada
 8 p.m. USA Central vs. USA Southwest

Wednesday, August 17

11 a.m. Asia-Pacific vs. Puerto Rico
 2 p.m. USA Central vs. USA Southeast
 5 p.m. USA East vs. USA Southwest
 8 p.m. EMEA vs. Canada

Thursday, August 18

11 a.m. Latin America vs. Canada
 2 p.m. EMEA vs. Puerto Rico
 5 p.m. USA Southeast vs. USA Southwest
 8 p.m. USA Central vs. USA West

Friday, August 19

5 p.m. International Championship Game
 8 p.m. USA Championship Game

Saturday, August 20

11 a.m. World Championship Game – Televised Live on ESPN2

Tickets are a modest \$5 per carload per game or \$10 for the entire week. Both rates include parking. Heritage Park is located at 12111 Pardee Road.

For more information, visit the website www.cityoftaylor.com/worldseries. To sponsor the World Series, call Director Greg Bzura at (734) 303-3113.

