

DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL, INC.



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Dixie Youth Baseball Leagues and Officials,

The COVID-19 virus has caused uncertainty and disruption worldwide. Our federal, state and local governments, as well as our healthcare professionals, have worked tirelessly to attempt to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Over the last seven weeks Dixie Youth Baseball has continued to monitor the latest guidance from our government and the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention. In recent days we have started to see a gradual daily decline in the number of new cases of the COVID-19 virus in some areas. Unfortunately, we are far from out of the woods at this time.

After evaluating all of the information available to us, taking into account the varying nature of communities allowing sports participation and the beginning of the coming school year the National Board of Directors of Dixie Youth Baseball has decided to cancel all of our 2020 DYB World Series Tournaments. This was not a decision we made lightly.

The #1 priority of Dixie Youth Baseball is to offer regular season play, which offers the greatest opportunity for all of our children to participate. We did not feel that we should sacrifice regular season play in an already altered season for the sake of extended tournament play. Removing the world series from our post-season schedule will allow for significant regular season play in those communities that are able to do so this season. Each state will have the opportunity to offer post-season play should time permit.

Laurel, Mississippi was scheduled to host the DYB Division I & II World Series this season. We are proud to announce that all eight of our DYB World Series Tournaments will be in Laurel, Mississippi in 2021!

Stay safe,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Wade".

William Wade, Commissioner