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Pascagoula partners with MLB to host two youth events in February

PASCAGOULA, Miss. – The City of Pascagoula is partnering with Major League Baseball® to host two **FREE** events in February 2021: Pitch Hit & Run™ and Jr. Home Run Derby™. Each event gives youth an opportunity to advance to the finals during MLB® All-Star Week™ in Atlanta, Georgia.

Jr. Home Run Derby™

Major League Baseball® Jr. Home Run Derby™ powered by @MLBdevelops is a fun and exciting free youth competition for talented youngsters to showcase their hitting abilities, with the opportunity of competing at the Finals during MLB® All-Star Week™.

Boys and girls are divided into two age divisions: 12U and 14U, and will have the chance to advance through three levels of competition. The Local Champions from both age divisions will advance to the Regional Level, and Regional Champions will advance to the Finals, which will take place during the 2021 MLB® All-Star Week™.

Jr. Home Run Derby™ will take place on **Friday, February 26, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.** at the **Pascagoula Sports Complex**. All participants should register online and plan to bring age verification (copy/picture of birth certificate or similar) to the competition.

Pitch Hit & Run™

Pitch Hit & Run™ is the official skills competition of Major League Baseball®. This grassroots program is designed to provide youngsters with an opportunity to compete, free of charge, in a competition that recognizes individual excellence in core baseball/softball skills.

Boys and girls are divided into four age divisions: 7/8, 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, and have the chance to advance through three levels of competition, including Team Championships and the Finals during MLB® All-Star Week™.

Pitch Hit & Run™ will take place on **Saturday, February 27, 2021** at the **Pascagoula Sports Complex**. All participants should register online and plan to bring age verification (copy/ picture of birth certificate or similar) to the competition.

Registration links for Jr. Home Run Derby™ and Pitch Hit & Run™ can be found at cityofpascagoula.com/mlb.

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