

**Florida District 1
Minors Softball 8-10
Starting June 20-21, 2026
Sanctioned Tournament**

Hosted by:



**711 Hickory Street
Destin, FL 32541
www.destinlittleleague.org**

**Florida District 1 Website:
www.fld1.org**

On behalf of the Destin Little League Board of Directors, we are proud to welcome all players, coaches, parents, and fans to the 2026 Little League Softball Tournament. We are excited to host such a talented group of athletes and look forward to a competitive, high-energy event filled with great sportsmanship and unforgettable moments. Our goal is for every team and family to have a positive and memorable experience during your time at our park.

This packet includes important information to help you throughout the tournament, including key contacts, directions, a map of Destin, lodging options, medical resources, and local dining.

A **mandatory Manager/Coach Meeting** for all participating teams will be held in Niceville on **JUNE 10, 2026 at 6PM**(*subject to change*). Please ensure your team is represented.

If you need assistance at any time during the tournament, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Tournament Coordinator or tournament staff. Contact names and phone numbers are provided in this packet for your convenience.

The Destin Little League Board would also like to congratulate each player selected to represent their community as an All-Star. This is a tremendous accomplishment, and we are excited to watch you compete. We look forward to an exciting, competitive, and truly memorable tournament for everyone involved.

On behalf of the Destin Little League Board,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin Schmidt".

President
Destin Little League

Contacts:

Tournament Coordinator: Darin Uptigrove

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Destin Little League President: Kevin Schmidt

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District Administrator: Windell Carnley

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General Information & DLL Park Rules

1. The following will be reviewed at the above managers meeting or before your first game:
 - a. Team Affidavits and supporting paperwork
 - b. Medical Release Forms
2. Our Concession Stand will be open with many foods and drink items for your selection.
3. The use of tobacco and alcohol are strictly prohibited inside the park; this includes electronic devices. – No Exceptions.
4. Obscene language or harassment by anyone will not be tolerated. Offenders will be ejected from the park. We have a **ZERO TOLERANCE RULE**. We will not tolerate any negative comments toward Umpires, Players, other fans or Coaches. **Coaches, please inform your parents, fans and players that this is considered their warning.** If a problem arises then that person can expect to be asked to leave the park. We expect the Coach to control their players and fans by informing them of these rules ahead of game time.
5. Games will be played in accordance with Tournament Rules.
6. Umpires will NOT check all equipment prior to each game. It is the Manager's responsibility to ensure all equipment is correct and allowed.
7. Teams should arrive at least one hour prior to the scheduled game start time.
8. A coin toss before the game will determine home team.
9. The Visiting team will take infield 30 minutes before game time for 10 minutes. The Home team will take infield following the Visiting Team before game time for 10 minutes.
10. We will play the National Anthem and recite the Little League and Volunteer/Parent Pledge before the first game of the day.
11. No flash photography or cell phones will be allowed on the field or in the dugouts by the manager, coaches, or players per the Little League Rule.

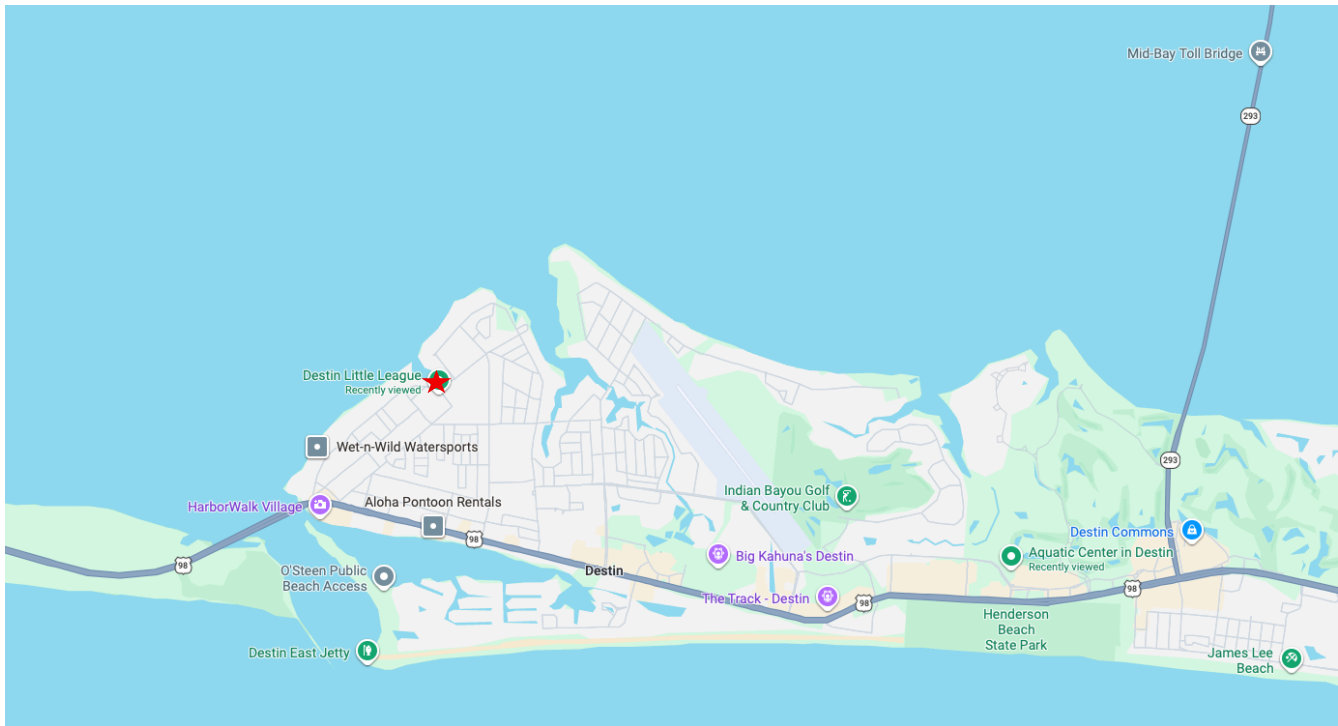
12. Both DLL fields are TURF Infields with Grass outfield. Players are welcome to wear turf shoes or normal cleats. No Spikes!
13. DLL has safety bases on both fields that are enforced.
14. No Gum/Seeds allowed in park/dugout/field.
15. No Hanging items from net.

Safety Tips

In order to help prevent heat-related player problems, precautions must be taken in order to make sure players on your team **DO NOT** hyperventilate or dehydrate. **Have players drink plenty of water on game days.**

1. Suggest players take drinks of water before going out on the field and when returning from the field. (Water coolers will be provided in dugout for the players & coaches)
2. If a player looks distressed while standing in the hot sun, notify the umpire then substitute that player and get them into the shade or dugout ASAP.
3. If a player should collapse as a result of heat exhaustion; 911 will be called immediately. Get the player to drink water and use the ice bags available in the concession stand to cool him/her down until Medical Personnel arrive.
4. During inclement weather and thunderstorms, please be prepared to evacuate to your vehicles as directed and **DO NOT Leave with a player until their Manager has approval from the Tournament Coordinator.**

Destin Map & Directions



Directions From Niceville:

- Take FL-293 to US Hwy 98 W
- Turn right onto US-Hwy 98 W
- Stay on US Hwy 98 W for 5 Miles
- Turn Right onto Calhoun Ave
- In 1.1 Miles Turn right onto Hickory St.
- Park will be on right

Directions From Fort Walton Beach:

- Take US Hwy 98 E
- Immediately after the Destin Bridge (Marler Bridge), Turn left onto Calhoun Ave
- In 1.1 Miles, Turn right onto Hickory St.
- Park will be on right

Parking



Medical Resources

Hospitals and Emergency Rooms

- **HCA Florida Destin Emergency:**
 - 200 Tequesta Dr, Destin, FL 32541 Open 24/7
- **Ascension Sacred Heart Emerald Coast:**
 - 7800 US Highway 98 W, Miramar Beach, FL 32550
- **HCA Florida Fort Walton-Destin Hospital:**
 - 1000 Mar-Walt Dr, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

Urgent Care and Walk-In Clinics

- **Emerald Coast Urgent Care:**
 - 12598 Emerald Coast Pkwy, Destin, FL 32541

Destin Lodging Options

- **Hampton Inn & Suites Destin**
 - **Address:** 1625 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, FL 32541
 - **Phone:** (850) 654-2677
- **Home2 Suites by Hilton Destin**
 - **Address:** 14060 Emerald Coast Pkwy, Destin, FL 32541
 - **Phone:** (850) 650-3500
- **Emerald Grande**
 - **Address:** 34 Harbor Blvd, Destin, FL 32541
 - **Phone:** (888) 965-7092

Local Restaurants

Top Local Seafood & Waterfront

- **Boshamps Seafood & Oyster House:** Known for its Gulf-to-table Southern seafood and harbor views.
- **Harbor Docks:** Destin's oldest, most authentic seafood and sushi restaurant on the harbor.
- **Dewey Destin's Seafood:** Highly popular for fresh fish and shrimp with locations on the bay and near Crab Island.
- **Louisiana Lagniappe:** High-end Louisiana-style seafood with excellent views.
- **The Back Porch Seafood & Oyster House:** A longtime favorite for gulf-front dining.
- **Brotula's Seafood House & Steamer:** Focuses on fresh steamed seafood and southern coastal favorites.
- **Camille's at Crystal Beach:** Known for fresh seafood and popular sushi, supplied by Harbor Docks.

Local Favorites & Pubs

- **McGuire's Irish Pub:** A popular spot for steaks, pub grub, and atmosphere, famous for its money-lined walls.
- **The Craft Bar:** A high-end gastropub focusing on craft beer and artisanal food.
- **La Paz Restaurant & Cantina:** Casual spot for Tex-Mex with local seafood touches.
- **The Donut Hole:** Known for both its bakery items and breakfast food.

Casual & Family-Friendly

- **Pompano Joe's:** Caribbean-style seafood directly on the beach.
- **Fudpucker's Beachside Bar & Grill:** A long-running, energetic spot.
- **The Surf Hut:** Beachside dining with a casual atmosphere.
- **LuLu's Destin:** Located in the Legendary Marina with outdoor seating.