

**Managers, please do the following:**

1. Carefully read the letter below
2. Bring a copy of **2018 Season USSSA Roster/Registration**
3. Bring copies of Birth Certificates or State Issue ID Card
4. Bring a copy of Proof of Insurance with proper coverage dates
5. Print a copy of the current tournament rules (**Make sure to review Pitching Limits & Bat requirements**)
6. Get directions to the park

**USSSA MLK Global Qualifier NIT  
January 13-15, 2018**

Dear Managers,

Team check-in is mandatory with tournament director (1 hour prior to your first game). **You MUST check-in prior to playing your first game.** We will need a copy of an updated 2018 season USSSA team roster/registration and copies of birth certificates or state issued ID cards for each player. Players do not need to be present at check-in. Teams not registered with USSSA for the 2018 season will need to do so online at [www.ussa.com](http://www.ussa.com). Teams will NOT be able to register at the tournament and all players added or deleted must be done online prior to check-in. **Players may NOT be penciled in on your rosters.** Players will not play if a birth certificate/ID card is not available for verification at check-in. Age cut off is **May 1st, 2018.** (e.g., 12U player can't turn 13 prior to May 1st, 2018). Players may play up, but not down in age.

Check the website daily for schedule revisions. Arizona USSSA reserves the right to modify the brackets should scheduling conflicts arise. The bracket schedule displayed at check-in supersedes all other revisions. Recheck brackets online the night before tournament starts.

The Tournament hotline for **weather updates on the bracket page of the website.** Playoff seedings after pool play will be posted directly on your schedule online thru USSSA website. Pitching Tracking will be on USSSA schedule website.

Please have your team ready to play up to 15 minutes prior to the posted game time in case of a run rule in a prior game. This will help us to stay on schedule.

**Steel cleats may not be worn on portable mounds at any of the parks. Make sure the pitchers have an extra pair of shoes to pitch in. The Umpires will strictly enforce this and eject managers if not followed!**

**No Hitting Stations will be allowed on the grass at any park!  
Gates will open 1 hour prior to first game.**

**Pioneer Park/ Rio Vista - Peoria** have no gate fees. Concessions will be available. Teams must provide own water/jugs for the dugouts, Ice may be available for purchase at concession stands but don't count on it. No Smoking allowed in the parks. **No alcohol allowed in these parks or parking lots.**

Anyone caught with alcohol including parking lot will be reported to the police and thrown out of the park for the entire tournament.

**Snedigar Sports Complex - Chandler.** There will be a concessions stand. **No alcohol allowed in the park or parking lots at anytime.** Gates will open 1 hour prior to first game.

**Copper Sky Recreation Complex – Maricopa.** There **may** be a concessions stand. **No alcohol allowed in the park or parking lots at anytime.** Gates will open 1 hour prior to first game.

**Red Mountain Baseball Complex - Mesa.** Teams must bring their own water coolers for the dugouts. There may not be a concessions stand. **No alcohol allowed or smoking in the parks.** Gates will open 1 hour prior to first game.

Team Awards for 1st - 2nd & Individual Awards for 1st - 2nd will be given out in each age group for Majors, AAA, AA Divisions. Additionally, the top Team in each division also qualify for a USSSA World Series Berth.

Teams will be directed to a designated awards presentation area. It is your team's responsibility to claim their awards at the tournament. Awards will not be mailed unless the team pays for shipping and handling fees in advance.

Finally, we would like to thank the players, parents and coaches for choosing to play in this tournament. We realize there are many tournaments from which to choose. We want to make this tournament an enjoyable experience for everyone, especially the players. Please feel free to call upon the tournament staff or us to service you in any way.

Sincerely,  
Eric Bell  
AZ State Directors  
Arizona USSSA Baseball  
"More Kids Playing More Baseball"