

AFPL Community Leader Meeting  
Sunday, February 15, 2026

1. Registration
  - a. March 1-22, online, link on website. [arrowheadfastpitch.org](http://arrowheadfastpitch.org)
  - b. Need to have accurate coach information including email and physical address.
2. Background checks
  - a. Completed by USSSA (why we need accurate coach information upon registration)
  - b. Head coach will have background check completed, then can go into USSSA team page and assign assistants so they can also have background checks completed
  - c. Community leaders will be responsible for assuring ALL adults in the dugout have had background check done with USSSA
3. SafeSport and Concussion Training will need to be documented by communities
  - a. Each community leader will need to sign off that ALL adults in dugouts have completed safe sport (annual) and concussion (every 3 years) training
  - b. Links are available on our website
4. Survey results from 2025 season, Q&A
5. USSSA Age Change. Now August 31. For the 2026 season, age will be based on player's age as of 8/31/2025. (Yes, age as of 8/31/25, not 2026). Chart on website.
6. Umpire Clinic on Saturday Feb 28 at Marshall High School. Info on website.
7. Rule changes for 2026.
  - a. Music pregame only, no walkup songs and no music between innings.
  - b. Air Quality. Air Quality Index of 175 or higher will result in games being postponed/cancelled. Air Quality Index will be from [airnow.gov](http://airnow.gov) and based on zip code for game location at 3pm on game day.
8. Schedule change for 14U
  - a. Play first four weeks of season as scheduled
  - b. Last three weeks will be based on winning percentage of first four weeks with two divisions
  - c. Playoffs split into three divisions.
9. Coaches Clinic late April? YES. CHECK WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.
10. AFPL Board Recruiting