

Bangsport MLB Chengdu Batting Center was launched in June 2017 and is located at Jinniu Capital Land: A great family environment, latest baseball equipment, safe and fun for all ages and abilities. "Come give Baseball a Try"

- The baseball facility has two batting tunnels, pitching machine with capabilities to throw various fastballs and curveballs.
- There is a synthetic turf little league field with lights for night baseball.
- Located outdoors on the rooftop of the premier shopping center in Chengdu.
- Baseball classes for adults.
- Baseball batting cage and machine hire for all ages. All equipment provided.
- Family Fitness Classes.
- We are committed to the development of grass roots baseball, teaching of skill development, gamesmanship, positive sportsmanship and ethics

MLB International Head Coach: Kevin Johnson has 40 years of playing experience and 25 years of international coaching experience from USA, Australia, Switzerland, and now is sharing his passion for baseball in China.

There are several levels of fundamental baseball, stating with T-Ball, these include:

- <u>The beginning level with players at 3-5 years old</u>. A "Game Sense Approach" to learning baseball skills and emphasis on safety and fun.
- <u>Intermediate level with players 6-7 years old</u>. Players develop skills through high repetitions and professional coach feedback. Situational play is introduced like "Force Outs" and Tag Outs", "Runs Scored." Modified games played on a regular basis to grow game awareness.
- <u>Advanced level with players 8-12 years old</u>. Players work on perfecting "Playing Catch" and hitting the ball with bat speed and launch angle for maximum power. Learn Base-running reads and reactions. Learn pitching and catching fundamentals. Players will compete in "Junior Play Ball" and "National Play Ball" Tournaments.
- MLB Development Centers. Select Player Programs. (Wuxi, Changzhou, Nanjing)

Brief History of Baseball in China:

- 1863 baseball is played and called "Stickball"
- 1959 baseball becomes an official sport in China in 30 regions.
- 1986 LA Dodgers owner Peter O'Malley builds 1st modern baseball stadium in China and Dodgers play an exhibition game in Tianjin.
- 1988 China host 1st national junior baseball tournament with ages 11-12 year olds.
- 2002 "Swing for the Wall" Youth Baseball Program throughout China.
- 2007-MLB invest in growth and development of baseball in China. Start MLB Development Center / Baseball Academy in Wuxi.