



Dear World Series Fans, Parents, Coaches, Families,

A few summers ago, there was an article in the Denver Post (from the Chicago Tribune) entitled, “HELP WANTED: ADULTS WHO BEHAVE DURING YOUTH SPORTS”. Included in the context of this piece was a statement about how much kids learn in youth sports—the value of teamwork, the notion of fair play, the meaning behind trying your hardest. But what is the takeaway when an 11 year-old watches a coach unload on an ump over a close call? The article:

<https://www.scribd.com/article/379189256/EditorialHelp-Wanted-Adults-Who-Behave-At-Youth-Sports-Games> concluded by saying that when games start getting canceled because there is no one to officiate, maybe parents and coaches will start thinking twice about blowing their tops at a ref or ump. But there is an even better reason why they should think twice: those young players standing there petrified.

The Roaring Fork Valley (Aspen, Basalt, Carbondale, Glenwood Springs and Snowmass, CO) will once again host the D2 World Series in 2022. Our partnership with these communities is welcomed and they will open their beautiful valley up to Triple Crown baseball this summer.

The Roaring Fork Valley values our business. Families and tourism is what they do and who they strive to service. On the ski mountain, on the ballfield, on the soccer pitch, the bike trails, the river.....sports tourism thrives in the Roaring Fork Valley. **This is an OPPORTUNITY for you as a TRIPLE CROWN team family to set a positive example in how we conduct ourselves in this setting.** More importantly, how we show our children...in a competitive tournament environment that how we handle ourselves win or lose, ON OR OFF THE FIELD, is really the most important part of your-week long experience at the World Series.

All of your families have gone to great expense to come and participate in this event. You want to have fun, watch your kids play, and enjoy your families. Make this a memorable experience and use this as an opportunity to show our host communities, and more importantly our youth...the right way to do things and the right way to treat and respect the Roaring Fork Valley.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE.