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Pitch, Hit & Run competition Saturday, May 3

The Springfield-Greene County Park Board hosts Pitch, Hit & Run, a free youth baseball and softball skills competition Saturday, May 3, 9-11 a.m., at Cooper Sports Complex, 2701 E. Pythian St., Springfield.

Pitch, Hit & Run is the official skills competition of Major League Baseball designed to provide youth athletes ages 7-14 an opportunity to showcase core baseball/softball skills.

Boys and girls are divided into four age divisions: 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14. Competitors throw strikes at a designated target, hit from a stationary batting tee for distance and accuracy, and sprint from second base to home.

Individual pitching, hitting and running champions, along with all-around champions in each age and gender group will receive awards and advance to the sectional level of competition. Competitors may eventually advance through four levels, including Team Championships at Major League ballparks and the National Finals at the 2014 MLB All-Star Game.

Participation is free. All competitors must bring a copy of their birth certificate and have their parent or guardian fill out a registration/waiver form, available on site the day of the event or online at mlb.com/phr.

For more information visit parkboard.org/sports or mlb.com/phr, or call Killian Sports Complex at 417-837-5817.

For more information, call the Springfield-Greene County Park Board at 417-864-1049. For media inquiries, call Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Public Information Administrator for the Park Board, at 417-87-2176 or 417-224-5510.