

OHIO CUP 2025

GENERAL INFORMATION



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Fields, location, and parking

- This year's Ohio Cup will take place at the Westerville Sports Complex in Columbus, OH (325 N Cleveland Ave, Westerville, OH 43082).
- Below is a layout of the event with the location of the fields, parking, bathrooms, and other important spaced marked:



*Please note that The Meadow is an additional multi-purpose field that can be used for player warm up, practice, wiffle ball for kids, etc. No games are scheduled on this field.

Check-in

1. When your team arrives at the Cup, the team captain should check in at the Welcome Tent. When checking in, captains should turn in a team liability waiver, signed by each member of the team attending the event, which is required prior to playing any games at the Ohio Cup.

Food

- There will be free, bountiful snacks and beverages (water and lemonade) available from 9 AM to 4 PM, on both Saturday and Sunday, at the Hospitality Tent.
- There will be food trucks on site both days of the event. The food trucks will be located at the northernmost end of the parking lot.
- Shaded seating will be available in the hospitality tent for eating and socializing.

Raffle tickets

- The Phoenix Bats Company has donated two custom bats to the Ohio Cup to be raffled off.
- Raffle tickets will be sold at the Phoenix Bats tent on Saturday and Sunday.
- The cost is \$3 per ticket or 2 for \$5 (cash only).
- Money from the raffle will be used to help defray costs of the Cup.
- The drawings for the winners will be held in the Phoenix Bats Tent at 4:30 on Sunday. Two winners will be selected.
- Winners will be contacted by email and will receive an electronic gift certificate to create a customized bat on the Phoenix Bat website, then the bat will be shipped for free.

What to bring/what not to bring

We encourage teams to bring:

- **Canopies for shade.** There is little shade by the fields, so consider bringing your own. The Hospitality Tent will provide an area for general respite with some seating (though you are encouraged to bring your own seating). NOTE: Neither canopies nor tents can be staked down; they must be weighted down. We can provide water for weights, if needed.
- **Lawn chairs and/or blankets.** We have a few bales of straw for team benches and a few bales for fans, but not many, so please bring your own seating.
- **A full set of at least 9 players, dressed in full uniforms.** In the past, we have dis-invited teams because of not living up to this expectation. If an emergency comes up at the last minute that causes you to be short of players, there are usually players around who are willing to play extra games. What we don't want is for a team with 7 players who pick up *more* than the 2 players that they need to fill up to 9.
- **A few practice balls.** We will provide game balls.
- You are welcome to bring your own soda and water to the Cup. There will be 5-gallon coolers of water and disposable cups at each bench. Please dispose of trash appropriately. Trash cans will be provided.

Do not bring:

- **The Ohio Cup prohibits guns, any kind of smoking, and metal cleats.**
- **Dogs are not allowed at the festival, unless they are service dogs.**
- **Items for sale** (you can NOT sell team t-shirts, bats, hats, etc.)
- **Alcohol**
 - Don't bring your own alcohol.
 - There will be no alcohol sales at the Ohio Cup this year.
 - Failure to abide by this alcohol policy could result in your team not being invited back to the Ohio Cup.

All-comer's match (Friday night)

On the Friday evening before the Cup, we will be hosting an all-comer's match on one of the fields. This game is a pick-up match open to any player. This is a very colorful game since all who play will be in full uniform. Family members, friends of the teams, and non-uniformed players are welcome to come watch the game.

- The game will start at 6 PM. We hope to get in 9 innings by 8 PM.
- Those in attendance will be split into 2 teams around 5:50. Anyone arriving after that who wants to play is to report to the site manager, and they will assign you to a team and have you added to the score sheet.
- Water and restrooms will be available.
- **There will be no alcohol sales for this game, nor are you allowed to bring any liquor on to the property that night.**

Saturday timeline

8:00 AM	Welcome Tent opens (captains pick up Welcome Packet); Phoenix Bats tent opens for pick-up of commemorative item pre-sales and new sales.
9:00	First game starts. Hospitality Tent opens (free snacks and shelter); sales open for Phoenix bat raffle.
4:00	Raffle ticket sales end for the day; deadline to pick up pre-sales; Hospitality Tent closes.
4:50	End of last game

Sunday timeline

8:00 AM	Welcome Tent opens (captains pick up Welcome Packet); Phoenix Bats tent opens for pick-up of commemorative item pre-sales and new sales.
9:00	First game starts. Hospitality Tent opens (free snacks and shelter); sales open for Phoenix bat raffle.
4:00	Raffle ticket sales end for the day; deadline to pick up pre-sales; Hospitality Tent closes.
4:30	Raffle drawing
4:50	End of last game