



### **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Pitch, Hit, Run, Jump, and More**

The City of Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Department, Santa Maria Valley YMCA, and Boys & Girls Club of Santa Maria Valley will be hosting two free events in May. Leading off on Wednesday, May 1 is the annual MLB Pitch, Hit, and Run baseball/softball skills competition, followed by the Hershey's Track and Field Games, on Saturday, May 11.

MLB Pitch, Hit, and Run will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hagerman Sports Complex, Field #1, 3300 Skyway Drive in Santa Maria. This competition is open to boys and girls ages 7-14. Participants will demonstrate their pitching, hitting, and base running abilities for accuracy, distance, and speed. Boys and girls compete separately in four age groups, with top performers receiving awards and advancement to the Sectional Competition. Registration takes place on-site, the day of the event.

Hershey's Track and Field Games will begin 9:00 a.m. at Pioneer Valley High School, 675 Panther Drive in Santa Maria. This event is open to boys and girls of all skill levels, ages 9-14. Participants can compete in several running and field events. Top performers will receive medals and advance to the Hershey's Northern California State Games. Pre-registration is required at the Recreation and Parks Department Administrative Offices by Wednesday, May 8.

Questions may be directed to the Recreation and Parks Department, 925-0951 extension 260.

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