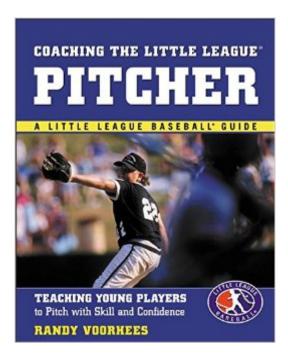
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# Coaching The Little League Pitcher : Teaching Young Players To Pitch With Skill And Confidence





## Synopsis

The authoritative sourcebooks for parents, players, and coaches Baseball is a complicated game to learn, particularly for a 9- to 12-year-old's attention span. Bewildered managers, coaches, and parents of the more than 2.5 million Little League Baseball® players need all the help they can get. Filled with fun and easy-to-follow instructions and advice on teaching the fundamentals of baseball, the bestselling Little League Baseball® series is sure to score with coaches and kids alike. COACHING THE LITTLE LEAGUE® PITCHER This book provides Little League coaches and parents with valuable information on how to help their pitchers improve, covering everything from the kinds of pitches and the strategic aspects of pitching to tips for keeping players healthy and fit.

### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

When my son turned 9, and was going into kid-pitch for the first time, he thought he wanted to be a pitcher. What did I know about pitching? Not much. Randy Voorhees...if you read this...thank you.This book let me turn a scrawny kid into not just a pitcher, but a closer. The drills in the book are simple to follow, and backed by intelligent explanations of WHY they work. By breaking the pitching motion down into a series of simple, understandable steps, my son and I worked together to build a delivery that focused on accuracy and control, not brute power and speed.By the middle of his second season in kid pitch, he knew if he got the nod in the 4th inning, that it was his job to hold the lead...and he never failed. By learning to have control and accuracy, my son never worried about his ability...he simply learned to focus on each pitch, one at a time. He learned that with only modest speed and good movement on his pitches, he could beat 85% of the hitters on strikes, 10% on

contact ground balls and pop-ups, and 5% of the kids were going to make good contact NO MATTER WHAT...and that's what fielders are for.Why so much about my kid? Well, there's no better testimonial about a book than the great results achieved by following the advice therein.Randy Voorhees...my son and I thank you for two great years in kid pitch, and two "World Series" trophies on my son's wall as proof of your program.

I haven't read this book. I purchased it for my wife. You see, we have a 10-year-old son who is all about playing baseball. My wife, on the other hand, probably couldn't name the player positions on a baseball field let alone explain to my son what it takes to become a good Little League pitcher. All she knew was that her son was a very good pitcher and was loving the game of baseball. So, she got this book from the library to read up on what my son and I were all excited about. She immediately got absorbed into the book and requested I find it for her on (I already knew she would want it so I ordered it for her a couple days prior). One day while we were taking my son and one of his teammates to a game, she started telling us all about what she had been reading about pitching. After about 10 minutes I had to tell her, "Honey, we already know all that stuff." I didn't want upset her but she was going on about the basics. But, you could tell by the excitement in her voice that she really liked this book. Now, she didn't seem to want to talk to my son and I any more about the book after that car ride but she couldn't keep it all to herself. So, she started talking about it to her friends, mother's of my son's teammates, and anyone else who would listen. Generally, she would explain to people how she didn't realize how complex and exciting baseball could be. I overheard her explaining to one of her friends at a party which pitch was most important to a Little Leaguer and the value of a good change-up. I actually had to look twice to make sure it was my wife saying those things. Bottom line, this book really got her excited about baseball. Now she wants to read more about it. Definitely a must read...at least for the baseball moms out there.

Baseball is about fundamentals. It's about learning how to play baseball from an expert coach. Then its time to put all that baseball knowledge into practice. Like the old saying goes practice makes perfect. Practice! Practice! Practice!In this fun-filled, easy-to-follow baseball instruction book kids will learn how to be better baseball players, and excite Little League baseball fans every where they go.Baseball inspired me to write a baseball story sharing all the fundamentals to be a better baseball player just like this story does. So I encourage every kid to read this book, I give it five stars, and I'm Marvin P. Ferguson, author of Boys On The Gold Coast. I've been coaching little league baseball for about three years. When my son was old enough to move up to the pitching level, I purchased this book so I could teach the basics to those that wanted to pitch. I found the book very good for starting out new picthers.

Very good book for any coach of young players. Breaks down the steps to teaching a young pitcher so the coach can understand and relay the information to the player.

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