



MEDIA ALERT

UAH to host Beep Baseball with Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind

What: The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) [Ability Sport Network](#) will partner with the [Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind Huntsville Regional Center](#) to host a beep baseball event.

When: Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 10 a.m. to noon.

Where: UAH Charger Park softball field on John Wright Drive on the UAH campus

About: Beep baseball uses a beeping ball and buzzing bases to provide auditory signals so people who are blind or visually impaired can play the game. According to the National Beep Baseball Association, formed in 1976, teams are made up of a minimum of six players with visual impairment and three volunteers with sight. Many beep baseball players are partially sighted, so they must wear blindfolds when batting or fielding. A typical beep baseball game lasts six innings unless more are needed to break a tie. First and third bases are four-foot-high padded cylinders with speakers; there's no second base.

Beep baseball is the latest in a series of athletic events for people with disabilities presented by the UAH Ability Sport Network so far in 2023.

- Wheelchair Fit and Fun Sports at Johnson Legacy Center for ages 12-17 on Jan. 21, Feb. 18 and March 18
- Adaptive climbing in February with Catalyst Sports – Huntsville
- Wheelchair basketball on March 1 at the University Fitness Center
- Adaptive Cycling Community Day and Development Clinic on May 21 at UAH Spragins Hall
- Adaptive tennis with Dream Court at Athletic Club Alabama on May 26-27

Upcoming programs include a boccia clinic scheduled for July 22 at the Optimist Recreation Center in partnership with City of Huntsville Parks and Recreation. Boccia, a Paralympic sport, is a precision ball sport originally designed to be played by people with cerebral palsy.

Additional Information: Click [here](#) for a campus map.

Dr. David Kyle, clinical assistant professor of kinesiology and director of the UAH Ability Sport Network, will be available for interviews

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