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It's always great to see people giving back to their community. Three young men from Dexter are preparing to do exactly that.

Drew Pixley, Tyler Tanner, and Caleb 'Bob' Miller, with the help of Dustin Hunter of Senath, are putting on a youth baseball camp this weekend.

The Southeast Missouri All-Skills Baseball Camp will be held at the DHS Baseball field at East Park. Kids between ages 9 - 13 are invited to attend the four hour camp, scheduled to run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 25. Registration for the camp is \$25.

"Whenever we decided to put it on, it was mainly to give back to the community. We all went to school at Dexter and [Drew] is the one who is hosting it," Tanner said, "but we wanted to give back because the community has given a lot to us and we wanted to return that."

All four of these young men either played or are currently playing baseball at the collegiate level. Pixley just finished his career with Murray State (Murray, Ky.); Tanner is entering his senior season at Williams Baptist College (Walnut Ridge, Ar.); Miller is playing at Maryville University (St. Louis, Mo.); Hunter is playing at Western Illinois University (Macomb, Il.).

"I found out that there are fewer little league teams than there were when I was that age," Pixley said. "Baseball seems like it's dying in this area. I was hoping to be able to revamp interest in the game and enhance the skill level of some of these kids. If the kids see better players start coming out, maybe they'll want to be a part of it."

Coaching duties during the camp will be divided by position. Pixley will handle catchers, Tanner will handle the outfielders, Miller will take the infielders, and Hunter will instruct the pitchers.

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