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CUBS ANNOUNCE 2019 MINOR LEAGUE MANAGERS AND STAFF

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CHICAGO – The Chicago Cubs today announced their minor league managers and coaching staffs for the 2019 season. Four managers return to their same teams as last season while all nine managers were in Chicago’s organization last year. A detailed list of each club’s managers and coaching staffs are included on the following page, and more information on returning members of the organization may be found on pages 198-222 of the Chicago Cubs 2018 Media Guide.

Marty Pevey returns for his 11th season in the organization and his seventh as manager for Triple-A Iowa and brings with over 30 years of professional experience, beginning with 13 years as a player. He was named the 2009 Midwest League co-Manager of the Year with Single-A Peoria.

Mark Johnson begins his fourth season as Double-A Tennessee’s manager, and his ninth in the organization. Johnson’s clubs have reached the postseason in four of his first eight minor league managerial campaigns, including a Midwest League title with Single-A Kane County in 2014 and a Mills Cup Championship with Single-A Myrtle Beach in 2015.

Jimmy Gonzalez takes the helm of Single-A Myrtle Beach following four seasons managing Single-A South Bend. The 2016 Midwest League Manager of the Year with South Bend, Gonzalez was Rookie League Mesa’s manager in 2014 following a season as the club’s hitting coach.

Buddy Bailey begins his first season as manager at Single-A South Bend following three campaigns as manager for Myrtle Beach. He enters his 31st season as a minor league manager with 2,064 regular season victories, and in 2017 became just the 11th minor league manager to reach the 2,000-win plateau.

Steven Lerud starts his second season as manager for Single-A Eugene after guiding the Emeralds to the 2018 Northwest League Championship in his first career managerial or coaching stint. He played 13 minor league seasons from 2004-16 and appeared in nine major league games with the Phillies in 2012-13.

Carmelo Martinez is in his 22nd season in the Cubs organization, and returns to manage Rookie League Mesa for the fifth-straight year. The team has reached the Arizona League playoffs each of the last four seasons. Martinez is a former outfielder/first baseman who played in the majors from 1983-91, seeing action with the Cubs in 1983.

Lance Rymel is the manager of the club’s second Rookie League Mesa team after two seasons managing the organization’s Dominican Summer League club. He began his coaching career in 2016 as Mesa’s rehab coach following a three-year minor league playing career as a catcher in the Cubs chain from 2012-14.

Leo Perez takes over as manager for the first of Chicago’s two Dominican Summer League teams, and is in his 11th season in the organization. He served as a coach in Mesa each of the previous two seasons and was a coach with Iowa in 2016. He played in the Cubs farm system from 2003-08.

Carlos Ramirez will manage the second Dominican Summer League team and is in his fourth season with the organization. He was a coach for the Dominican League club the previous three years following three seasons as a catcher in the system from 2012-14.

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Iowa Cubs

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Marty Pevey	11th	7th	Same
Pitching Coach	Rod Nichols	4th	4th	Same
Hitting Coach	Desi Wilson	12th	3rd	Same
Hitting Coach	Keoni De Renne	1st	1st	Hitting Coach, Altoona (AA)
Trainer	Ed Halbur	17th	2nd	Same
Trainer	Mike McNulty	6th	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Ryan Clausen	10th	6th	Same

Tennessee Smokies

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Mark Johnson	9th	4th	Same
Pitching Coach	Terry Clark	4th	4th	Same
Hitting Coach	Chad Allen	1st	1st	Hitting Coach, Rochester (AAA)
Coach	Ben Carhart	3rd	2nd	Same
Trainer	Toby Williams	6th	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Jason Morris	7th	2nd	Same

Myrtle Beach Pelicans

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Jimmy Gonzalez	7th	1st	Manager, South Bend (A)
Pitching Coach	Brian Lawrence	6th	1st	Pitching Coach, South Bend (A)
Hitting Coach	Ricardo Medina	21st	1st	Hitting Coach, South Bend (A)
Hitting Coach	Osmin Melendez	7th	1st	Hitting Coach, Eugene (A)
Trainer	Logan Severson	4th	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Keegan Knoll	2nd	2nd	Same

South Bend Cubs

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Buddy Bailey	14th	1st	Manager, Myrtle Beach (A)
Pitching Coach	Jamie Vermilyea	2nd	1st	Pitching Coach, Mesa 2 (R)
Hitting Coach	Paul McAnulty	2nd	2nd	Asst. Coach, South Bend (A)
Coach	Pedro Gonzalez	9th	1st	Manager, DSL Cubs 2 (R)
Trainer	James Edwards	3rd	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Dallas Lopez	5th	1st	Strength Coach, Eugene (A)

Eugene Emeralds

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Steven Lerud	2nd	2nd	Same
Pitching Coach	Armando Gabino	5th	2nd	Same
Hitting Coach	Ty Wright	4th	1st	Hitting Coach, Myrtle Beach (A)
Coach	Carlos Rojas	5th	1st	Coach, Myrtle Beach (A)
Trainer	Sean Folan	5th	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Ryan Nordtvedt	7th	1st	Strength Coach, South Bend (A)

Mesa Cubs 1

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Carmelo Martinez	22nd	5th	Same
Pitching Coach	Anderson Tavarez	13th	1st	Pitching Coach, Myrtle Beach (A)
Hitting Coach	Michael Carter	2nd	1st	Asst. Coach, Mesa 2 (R)
Coach	Darnell McDonald	5th	1st	Mental Skills Program Coordinator
Trainer	Ike Ogata	2nd	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Mike Megrew	7th	2nd	Same

Mesa Cubs 2

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Lance Rymel	4th	1st	Manager, DSL Cubs 1 (R)
Pitching Coach	Manny Olivera	1st	1st	Pitching Coach, GCL Marlins (R)
Hitting Coach	Claudio Almonte	5th	2nd	Same
Coach	Jacob Rogers	2nd	1st	Assistant Coach, Eugene (A)
Trainer	Matthew Hussey	2nd	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Andres Rondon	2nd	2nd	Same
Rehab Coach	Tyler Pearson	1st	1st	Player in Cubs organization

DSL Cubs 1

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Leo Perez	11th	1st	Rehab Coach, Mesa (R)
Pitching Coach	Jose Cueto	4th	1st	Pitching Coach, DSL Cubs 2 (R)
Hitting Coach	D'Angelo Jimenez	2nd	2nd	Same
Coach	Antonio Valerio	4th	4th	Same
Coach	Jose Zapata	3rd	3rd	Same
Trainer	Brennan Connelly	2nd	2nd	Same
Strength Coach	Manny Estrada	5th	3rd	Strength Coach, DSL Cubs 2 (R)

DSL Cubs 2

Position	Name	# Seasons in Organization	# Seasons with Club	2018 Position
Manager	Carlos Ramirez	4th	1st	Coach, DSL Cubs 2 (R)
Pitching Coach	Luis Hernandez	2nd	2nd	Same
Hitting Coach	Enrique Wilson	2nd	2nd	Same
Hitting Assistant	Jovanny Rosario	5th	5th	Same
Trainer	German Suncin	2nd	1st	Trainer, DSL Cubs 1 (R)
Trainer	Arnoldo Goite	6th	4th	Same
Asst. Strength Coach	Tomas Sanchez	2nd	1st	Asst. Strength Coach, DSL Cubs 1 (R)
Asst. Trainer/Strength Coach	Amaury Gonzalez	14th	14th	Same