

Want to Work in Baseball? MLB.com Seeking Stats Stringers for the 2014 Season

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The 2013 postseason hasn't been completed, but already those that are looking to get a job in Major League Baseball for the 2014 season have an opportunity to do so, if they apply now....
Via press release

MLB.com, the official web site of Major League Baseball, is seeking stats stringers to cover these clubs in 2014 and beyond:

- **Anaheim/Los Angeles**
- **Chicago (both teams)**
- **Cleveland**
- **Colorado**
- **Detroit**
- **Miami**
- **Oakland/San Francisco**
- **Texas**

Stats stringers are responsible for digitally scoring games from the MLB ballparks, which provides the data used in the live content applications on MLB.com, including At-Bat, Gameday and MLB.TV, real-time highlights and text alerts, and by our business partners. This is a perfect part-time job for a responsible, computer-savvy person who happens to be a big baseball fan.

Responsibilities include:

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- Arrive at the ballpark no later than one hour prior to the scheduled start time;
- Double-check and verify all pre-game information: rosters, umpires, weather conditions, etc.;
- During the game, enter the results of every pitch and game event (plays, substitutions, etc.) using our proprietary software and coding language;
- Work closely with our game-night support staff (via AOL Instant Messenger) to ensure proper scoring of all game events and accuracy of data;
- After the game, enter all post-game information: winning and losing pitcher, saves, holds, time and attendance
- Validate all stats and data in our scoring software against the official box score provided by the Official Scorer.

Qualifications include:

- Exceptional (and demonstrable) knowledge of baseball and how to score a baseball game;
- Strong computer proficiency (Windows OS and Windows-based software) and the ability to quickly learn and operate new software;
- Previous experience (including pressbox exposure) with a professional or college sports team, preferably baseball;

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- Regular availability to attend games in-person as required by the schedule: weekdays, nights and weekends;
- A "team player" with a great attitude, including but not limited to a willingness to make and learn from mistakes and the ability to work closely and cooperatively (and take direction from) our game-night staff;
- Professionalism. It's a fun job and MLB.com pays people to watch baseball, but it's also an important job and we want people who will take the responsibility seriously.

(New stringers undergo an 8-10 week correspondence training program, and co-score several practice games in the ballpark with a returning stringer, before scoring any games solo in the ballpark.)

Those interested in applying should send a resume and cover letter, addressing the above-listed qualifications, to stats@website.mlb.com

ONLY those who reply to that e-mail address will be considered, and due to volume, MLB.com says they may be unable to respond to all applicants.



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