Has Baseball Lost It's Cool?

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Baseball was one of the best sports of all time. Kids used to play it in the streets and watch it or listen to it on the radio. Baseball is one of America's best pastimes, but has it lost its cool? Some people may think that there's no way that baseball could have hit its lowest point, but I think it has. There are tons of reasons why people think baseball isn't popular anymore. Baseball was a great pastime but it isn't what it used to be because there are fewer viewers watching it and no one is talking about it anymore.

Baseball used to be one of the best sports to watch on television but today there are fewer people watching it on television. Average attendance at a game is about 30,000 but football games are 67,000. Baseball ratings and football ratings aren't even a comparison. Football has many more viewers than baseball. The NBA regular season doubles baseball's viewers. The World Series used to have the most viewers but in in the last 7 years, it has been the least watched World Series in history. Baseball isn't the sport to watch anymore.

One of the most talked about sports was baseball, but now no one talks about it. Whenever people talk about baseball, it's when someone did steroids or something illegal. Another thing is a lot more people play fantasy football instead of fantasy baseball. You never hear kids talking about their fantasy baseball league but you will hear them talking about their fantasy football teams. Football and basketball are the sports that everyone talks about now. Kids used to always trade or play with baseball cards but now you never see kids go to the store and get them. Not a lot of people know baseball players unless they are on Sportscenter or some sport show like that.

Something people could say is that baseball is our best pastime. That is very true but it's a new generation. Kids would rather play sports with more action in it like basketball, football, or soccer. Baseball becomes boring for kids to play after a while. Kids are getting bored of watching and playing baseball. A lot of kids are influenced by their friends and if most of their friends don't like baseball and they are playing other sports like football and basketball, then it's most likely that they are going to play what their friends play. Some kid's will still play sports that all of their friends don't play but eventually they'll get bored without their friends.

Baseball is still a good sport but it's just not as popular as it used to be. There are fewer viewers and baseball isn't the conversation anymore. People would rather watch football than a game of baseball. Baseball is still a great pastime but just not as good as it used to be.