

FOOTBALL

(BOYS 11-MAN AND 8-MAN • ALL CLASSIFICATIONS)

A. SEASON 2010-11

First day of Season: July 26, 2010
Last Regular Season Contest Date: Sept. 25, 2010

B. PRESEASON

No restrictions on students.

C. MINIMUM DAYS PRACTICE

Each participant must have a minimum of ten (10) different days of physical practice before his/her first day of competition.

D. GAME LIMITATIONS

A maximum of eight (8) games exclusive of a playoff system adopted by the ASAA Board of Directors.

Each conference will set its own schedule and will adopt the system it will use to determine the teams that will advance to the playoffs.

E. INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION LIMITATION

Upon a conference's request to the Executive Director, a school may have its players participate in six (6) quarters of play per week, except that a kicking specialist may participate in up to eight quarters per week, providing that in four (4) quarters the player does no more than kick.

F. RULES

National Federation Rules apply for 8-player and 11-player football programs.

State Adopted Rules. ASAA adopted a Mercy Rule for football in May 2006. It states the following:

A running clock will be utilized when there is a point spread of 35 points or more at the end of the third quarter or thereafter. Once begun, the running clock will be stopped only for team, official or injury time outs, and after each score.

G. CONFERENCES

Football playing schools are organized within ASAA into conferences:

1. 11 Player Football Teams

LARGE SCHOOL CONFERENCES

(enrollments above 850)

- **COOK INLET** - Bartlett, Chugiak, Dimond, Eagle River, East Anchorage, Service, South Anchorage, and West Anchorage
- **RAILBELT** - Colony, Juneau-Douglas, Lathrop, North Pole, Palmer, Wasilla, and West Valley

SMALL SCHOOLS CONFERENCES

(enrollments 400-850)

- **NORTHERN LIGHTS**

(enrollments 400-850) - Homer, Houston, Kenai, Kodiak, Skyview, and Soldotna

- **GREATLAND**

(enrollments under 400) - Barrow, Delta Junction, Eielson, Monroe, Nikiski, Seward, and Valdez

- **SOUTHEAST**

Ketchikan, Sitka, Thunder Mountain

2. 8 Player Football Teams

This is a classification for schools with enrollments under 150. Two independent teams (Voznesenka and Point Hope) competed last year.

H. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF FORMAT

1. 11 PLAYER TEAMS - LARGE SCHOOLS

- Cook Inlet: 4 berths
- Railbelt: 4 berths

Quarter Finals

Game 1: Cook Inlet #1 vs. Railbelt #4

Game 2: Railbelt #2 vs. Cook Inlet #3

Game 3: Railbelt #1 vs. Cook Inlet #4

Game 4: Cook Inlet #2 vs. Railbelt #3

Semi-Finals

Winner of Game #1 vs. Winner of Game #2

Winner of Game #3 vs. Winner of Game #4

Championship

Winners Play

11 PLAYER TEAMS - SMALL SCHOOLS

- Northern Lights Conference: 3-4 berths
- Greatland Conference: 3-4 berths
- Southeast Conference: 1 berth

Note: The Southeast Berth was created by comparing the season records of the 4th place teams from the Northern Lights and Greatland Conferences. The criteria for determination of a berth to the playoffs is based on in priority order:
1) Head to head competition during the season
2) Results of games with common opponents . . . during the season
3) Coin toss conducted by ASAA office

Quarter Finals

Game 1: Northern Lights #1 vs. Greatland #4 or Southeast

Game 2: Greatland #2 vs. Northern Lights #3

Game 3: Greatland #1 vs. Northern Lights #4

Game 4: Northern Lights #2 vs. Greatland #3 or Southeast

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Semi-Finals

Winner of Game #1 vs. Winner of Game #2
Winner of Game #3 vs. Winner of Game #4

Championship

Winners of Semi-Finals Play

2. 8 PLAYER TEAMS

There is no state playoff system or championship for 8 player teams at this time because it is an emerging sport and does not meet the criteria for holding a state championship.

I. FIRST NATIONAL BOWL - 2010

QUARTERFINALS: Schools qualifying for quarter-finals will schedule games on the dates adopted by ASAA. Games will be played at the site of the higher seed of each conference. The host team will coordinate the game time with the visiting team. Gate receipts after expenses will be divided evenly between the two teams playing in each game. Teams having to travel by air will operate under the same air-fare agreement that exists in the regular season conference bylaws.

SEMI-FINALS: Games will be scheduled by ASAA for the dates of October 9-10, 2010 and held at the Anchorage Football Stadium.

FINALS: Games will be scheduled by ASAA for the date of October 16, 2010 and held at the Anchorage Football Stadium.

AWARDS

LARGE SCHOOLS AND SMALL SCHOOLS

- a. First National Bowl traveling trophy.
- b. First and second place team trophies.
- c. Forty-eight (48) individual medallions for each first and second place team members in the championship game. One (1) medalion for a team manager and one (1) for a coach of each team in the championship.
- d. ASAA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD for a team in the semi-finals and/or finals.
- e. ACADEMIC AWARD for highest team GPA *(All teams participating in playoffs beginning with the semi-finals).*

- f. GOOD SPORT TEAM - Two (2) selections from each team, beginning with the semi-final playoffs, are recognized for citizenship and sportsmanship demonstrated throughout the whole season. GOOD SPORT TEAM T-SHIRTS are awarded to each team member.
- g. ALL-DEFENSIVE TEAM - Eleven (11) medalions are awarded for outstanding defensive play. Only semi-final and championship game play is considered.
- h. ALL-OFFENSIVE TEAM - Eleven (11) medalions are awarded for outstanding offensive play. Only semi-final and championship game play is considered.
- i. OUTSTANDING KICKER - One (1) medalion will be awarded to the outstanding kicker. Only semi-final and championship game play is considered.