

2010 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA STATE FOOTBALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Dates: Semi-Finals – Friday, Oct. 8th and Saturday, Oct. 9th, 2010
Finals – Saturday, Oct. 16th, 2010
Location: Anchorage Football Stadium

QUARTER FINALS

Qualifying Process: The top four schools in each conference at the end of the regular season contests shall qualify for the playoffs. There are three rounds of playoffs beginning the weekend following the final season game.

Bracketing Match-ups:

Small Schools

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

Large Schools

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

Schedule and Sites: The first round of playoffs (the quarterfinals) will be held at the site of the highest seeded team. The dates of the games are to be either Friday, Oct. 1st or Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The time of the game is to be mutually agreed upon by the schools involved.

Gate Revenue and Travel: Gate revenue, after expenses, is to be split between the two schools playing in the game. Travel agreements regarding airfare to Juneau or Kodiak that were honored during the regular season will apply during the playoffs as well.

SEMI-FINALS

The winners of the quarterfinal games will advance to the Semi-finals. These games are played at the Anchorage Football Stadium at dates and time determined by ASAA. All travel and lodging costs are the responsibility of the teams involved. All gate revenue will be retained by ASAA and used to pay for the costs of officials, awards, rentals, programs, and more.

Schedule and Match-ups: One small school and one large school semi-final game will be played on both Friday, Oct. 8th and Saturday, Oct. 9th. In both large and small school divisions, the winners of Game 1 will play the winners of Game 2; winners of Game 3 will play the winners of Game 4.

Friday, Oct. 8th: Semi-Finals

4:00pm Small Schools (TBA after Quarterfinals)
7:30pm Large Schools (TBA after Quarterfinals)

Saturday, Oct. 9th: Semi-Finals

1:00pm Large Schools (TBA after Quarterfinals)
4:30pm Small Schools (TBA after Quarterfinals)

Saturday, Oct. 16th: Championship Day

12:00pm Small School Championship (Awards to follow game)
4:30pm Large School Championship (Awards to follow game)
Alumni Presentation at Halftime

Finals: The championship games will be played on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Small School Championship Game is at 12:00pm (Noon) and Large School Championship at 4:30pm

Team Photos and Rosters: Due by 5:00pm on Wednesday, September 29th, 2010

A current team photo and roster of your varsity team needs to be sent to the ASAA office. A digital photo is required and is to be sent by email to isaiah@asaa.org before the first quarterfinal game is played. Football teams are limited to 48 dressed players for each playoff game. An unofficial roster is to be sent to ASAA before the first quarterfinal game for use in the souvenir program. An online roster form can be found on the football page of the ASAA website. Official rosters are submitted to the head referee and announcer prior to each contest.

Code of Conduct Form: Due by 5:00pm on Wednesday, September 29th, 2010

A coach must submit a Code of Conduct Form prior to the playoffs. This form is online and can be found on the ASAA website on the Football page. This must happen prior to the playoffs, and binds the players and coaches to good sportsmanship and citizenship. Students are subject to this code of conduct during each day in which their school's team competes in the playoffs through the conclusion of the game.

Pass/Academic/Good Sport Forms: Due by 12:00pm on Tuesday, October 5th, 2010

Each team is limited to a specific number of passes as specified on the online form. This form is on the ASAA website on the football page. Passes for athletes, coaches, managers, trainers, and statisticians must have a sideline stamp on them to be admitted to the field. Booster club members, JV and C team members, and other support individuals must purchase tickets for the event. Team Photographers/Videographers will not be allowed on the sidelines during the game.

Rules: Each football game will be conducted under the rules of the 2010 NFHS Football Rule Book. ASAA rules regarding the mercy rule and ejections will be in force.

Player Concussion & "Return to Play" Information

ASAA will have licensed medical professionals present at all playoff games. These professionals will have "Return to Play" capabilities in case there is a player that is exhibiting symptoms of a concussion. During the ASAA First National Bowl Playoffs only licensed medical team doctors (if you have one) or the licensed medical professionals that ASAA provides will have "Return to Play" capabilities. The head coach, assistant coaches, and parents will not have "Return to Play" capabilities. If a player exhibits concussion like symptoms and is ruled "not able to return" by our licensed medical professionals of the licensed medical team doctor, the player is not eligible to play the remainder of that day, under NFHS rules. The player will not be allowed back into competition until cleared by a licensed medical professional. If a player is ruled not eligible because of concussion, the head coach and school administrator will be notified by ASAA staff.

Footballs: Each team provides game balls for when their team is on offense. Teams need to designate a manager to ensure balls are available and kept dry throughout the contest.

Home Team Designation: After teams have qualified for the semifinals or finals, ASAA will designate which team is home and which one is visitor for purposes of uniform colors and seating.

Jersey colors: The team designated by ASAA as home is to wear the dark jerseys and sit on the east side (Sullivan Arena). The visiting team is to wear light colored jerseys and sit on the west side. If the two teams have similar colors, ASAA will determine the specific team color for that game.

Supervision: Each participating school will be requested to identify a faculty representative who is responsible for the conduct of its participants, students and fans throughout the contest as defined in the ASAA bylaws.

Pre-game Protocol: The following protocol is to be followed at all semifinal and championship games:

- At 1 hour before kickoff, the game clock will be set to 50:00 and started.
- At 20:00 on clock teams depart for end zones or locker rooms while pre-game activities occur if scheduled and are available.
- At 10:00 on clock teams return to the field for final warm-ups.
- At 5:00 on clock team captains meet with officials at center field for coin toss.
- At 2:00 on the clock teams meet in their respective end zones.
- At 0:00 on clock introductions begin as follows:

- Each team's non-starters are to form two lines out from the goal posts toward the 40-yard line.
- Starters run out between the two lines when introduced and stand on their 40-yard line facing their team.
- After both teams have been introduced, ROTC members will bring the flags down the 50-yard line with teams facing them.
- After the national anthem has been sung and color guard has left the field, players may return to their benches.

Half Times: All half-times will be no longer than 20 minutes in length. Both teams will be allowed three minutes to warm up upon return to the playing field.

Practice Times: Teams will be given a date and time practice on the Anchorage Football Stadium field prior to the semi-finals and finals. Check the website for designated times.

State Tournament Team Photos: Teams will be expected to be available for a team photo prior to taking the field for their first semi-final game.

Pep Bands and Drum Lines: School pep bands are encouraged to accompany their teams to the state tournament. Specific guidelines must be followed as to when bands may play (only at pre-game and end of quarters). Musical instruments **may not** be used as noise makers during the contests.

Stadium Rules: Field heaters must be placed on plywood and located on the stadium grate. Electricity is available and heaters may not obstruct the view of TVs or fans. No food is allowed on the field or sidelines--including sunflower seeds. A scissor lift for video will not be furnished by tournament staff. Teams must make their own arrangements for lifts and clear their plans with ASAA staff.

Fundraising: Schools and other groups are not allowed to sell items inside the gates of the Anchorage Football Stadium (AFS) prior to or during any football game.

Concessions: There will be a group and specific vendors assigned by ASAA to provide concessions during the contests held at the AFS. No other unauthorized food providers will be allowed to sell food.

Awards: Following each championship game, the following awards will be presented in the middle of the football field:

- A First National Bowl Traveling Trophy to Championship Team.
- First and Second place team trophies.
- Forty-eight (48) medallions for each of the first and second place team members in the championship game. One medal for team manager and head coach for each team.
- ASAA Sportsmanship Award for a team that was in the semi-finals or finals.

- Academic Award for the highest team GPA the previous semester.
- Good Sport Team award for two players selected by the head coach of each team in the Semi-Finals and Finals.
- All- Offensive Team made up of 11 players recognized by the selection committee for outstanding offensive play.
- All-Defensive Team made up of 11 players recognized by the selection committee for outstanding defensive play.
- Outstanding Kicker Award.

Participation Fee: The ASAA Board of Directors voted last spring to implement a Participation Fee for all state events. The fee is \$10 per participant with a maximum fee of \$150 per team. Once the deadline for withdrawals and substitutions has passed for each state tournament, the roster will be considered final and schools will be invoiced that amount following the event.