


# 2018

## ASAA FIRST NATIONAL BOWL

### Football Sideline Cheer Policies & Procedures

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**Date:** October 6, 12-13, 19, 2018  
**Location:** Anchorage Football Stadium | Machetanz Field - Palmer HS

**Schedules:** Each classification has a little different playoff structure. Please look at your division carefully and plan accordingly. Complete game schedule is located on [ASAA365.com](http://ASAA365.com) and [ASAA.org](http://ASAA.org).

**Cheerleading Rules and Guidelines:** All cheer coaches/teams are required to follow all NFHS safety rules and guidelines. If any rules are violated, the team will be removed from the track. They may choose to cheer the rest of the game while seated in the bleachers.

**Stadium Rules:** Anchorage Football Stadium & Machetanz Field at Palmer High School have basic rules for their turf fields:

- **NO FOOD/DRINK (besides water) allowed on field or sidelines**
- **NO SUNFLOWER SEEDS**
- **NO GUM**
- **NO DOGS**
- **NO FIELD HEATERS OF ANY TYPE ARE ALLOWED**

**Halftime Routines/Music:** Half time routines will be no more than 2:30 minutes long. Unless there is more halftime entertainment.

- Division II & III schools at Palmer can have music but it must be tested BEFORE the game starts. If music is not tested prior to game starting, then it can't be used.
- Division I schools at Anchorage Football Stadium can have music if the system is working properly before the game. The announcer and TV crews have first priority to the audio feeds and system.
- Please come prepared to showcase your crowd leading skills with an action-packed performance cheer. This may contain jumps, stunts, tumbling and use of signs and/or poms.
- We encourage teams to perform a half time show, weather and safety permitting.

**Official Team Rosters:** Coaches must verify official rosters at the coaches meeting. A copy of your submitted roster via the online form or ASAA365 will be included in the coaches' packet. At the end of the coaches meeting ALL head coaches must turn in either their confirmed roster or corrected roster, at that time. Following the coaches meeting, no changes to roster personnel may be made.

**ASAA FIRST NATIONAL BOWL**  
**DI/DII/DIII Football State**  
**Championships**  
**October 5-6, 12-13, 19**  
**High Seed/Palmer/AFS**

**Saturday, Sept. 29 - 10:00pm**

- Email State Qualifiers and home site game dates & times to [championships@asaa.org](mailto:championships@asaa.org)

**Sunday, Sept. 30 - 2:00pm**

**Football Team Forms**

- [Roster Form](#) (with photo)
- [Team Season Record Form](#)
- [Good Sport Nomination Form](#)
- [Code of Conduct Form](#)

**Sideline Cheer Squad Forms**

- [Roster Form](#)
- [Code of Conduct Form](#)

**Tuesday, Oct. 3: DII - 2:00pm**

**Tuesday, Oct. 10: DI/DIII - 2:00pm**

- [Academic Award Entry Form](#)

**Saturday, Oct. 6 - TBA**

- Mandatory DII Coaches Meeting at Palmer HS

**Saturday, Oct. 13 - TBA**

- Mandatory DIII Coaches Meeting at Palmer HS

**Friday, Oct. 19 - TBA**

- Mandatory DI Coaches Meeting at Anchorage Football Stadium



**Roster / Entry:** All students participating in the state tournament must be on the official roster submitted to ASAA. To submit a roster, go to the eligibility roster found in the roster menu in Arbiter Athlete and choose the students comprising your state competition team. Additional roster information such as uniform number, position, etc. should be entered as well. ASAA is using Arbiter Athlete for its School Activities Reporting System (SARS). Schools will need to submit team rosters within this system. This can be done by accessing the activity's eligibility roster and indicating that the student is a member of the state team.

**Passes:** Each participating school will be issued passes for state championships, based on the following guidelines.

- **Coaches:** To qualify for a Coach's pass, the coach must currently meet all criteria required by ASAA Bylaw, Article 10, Section 1 and be listed on the school's sport specific eligibility list. Additionally, the coach must have been part of the program all season. The bench/sideline numbers will not increase regardless of the number of passes issued. At all times, coaches must wear or have on their person, their pass while on the bench or sideline. If not, the school will be fined \$25 by ASAA championship staff.
- **Participant Passes:** Cheerleaders will not receive participant passes for football and hockey. They will be allowed admission when in uniform.
- **Administration:** One pass will be provided for each qualifying school's administrator. There is no charge for this pass. The supervising administrator should check in at the event entrance or with an ASAA staff member upon arrival to receive a pass.
- **Extra Passes:** Schools may acquire extra passes for injured players, statisticians, videographers, or chaperones. Not all passes will allow bench access and the bench/sideline numbers will not increase regardless of extra passes issued. Requesting extra passes doesn't automatically mean you will receive those passes. ASAA Administrators will review the request and decide. When having to purchase extra passes, the teams can pay cash, or ASAA can bill the school ONLY with approval from the administration.
- **Adult Medical Passes:** Schools medical team members must check in with ASAA staff or ASAA Medical Staff at the state championship site prior to competition to receive a medical pass.
- **All passes are non-transferable and will be confiscated if used fraudulently.**
- **Coach passes allow access into the State Championship Hospitality Room.**
- **At all times, coaches/students must wear or have on their person, their pass while on the bench or sideline. If not, the school will be fined \$25 (for coaches/adults) or \$10 (for players/managers) by ASAA championship staff.**
- **Security and ASAA staff members will be checking each player and coach. You will not be allowed access into the facility without a pass.**
- **If you lose a pass you will have to purchase regular tickets or your school may be billed.**

#### **Bench Area & Personnel Rules:**

- At all times, coaches/students must wear or have on their person, their pass while on the bench or sideline. If not, the school will be fined \$25 (for coaches/adults) or \$10 (for players/managers) by ASAA championship staff.
- To gain access to the facility the coaches/players/managers must wear or have on their person, their pass, if not, they will be not allowed into the facility.
- Your team sideline can include players and a combination of managers and coaches, or all adults, or just student managers, that is coaches discretion. However, the maximum number allowed on the sideline will not increase.
- ONLY student participants/managers, and adult coaching staff are allowed in the bench area.
- Non-roster players that are not part of the student managers, fulfilling a managerial role, or one of the purchased



passes are not allowed on the bench.

- Due to safety concerns it has been mandated by ASAA that only individuals of 7th grade school age or above may be on the sideline area during state championship games, but only with a pass.
- Any coach who is ejected in a previous game may NOT be in the facility for the next game.
- Clean up your bench area after your games and matches. This includes cups, water bottles, trash, etc. ASAA security and staff will be inspecting the sidelines and locker rooms after each game. Fines, damage cost, and/or cleaning costs will be billed to the school.

#### **Quarter & Semifinal Procedures:**

- Host schools will use ASAA gate prices. Region passes will not be honored.
- ASAA will issue participant passes to teams in the semifinals and assess a participation fee.
- Roster size limits are in effect beginning with the quarter finals.
- ASAA program will include teams in the semifinals.
- Teams will equally split any net profit.
- Host schools have the broadcast rights.
- Host schools are responsible for selecting and all expenses related to officials. ASAA official conflict of interest policy is in effect.
- Assistance for travel is the same as the regular season.

**Hair/Jewelry/Piercings:** Cheerleaders must have their hair pulled back and off the shoulders, they may not chew gum or candy while cheering, and ALL jewelry/piercings must be removed. Please see the NFHS rule book for details.

**Basket Tosses:** Basket tosses and similar multi-base tosses are permitted on rubberized track and artificial grass, twisting dismount skills are also permitted but limited to no more than 1 1/4 rotation.

**Stunts and Tumbling:** Stunts and tumbling of any kind are permitted only if the weather conditions are conducive to safety, i.e. if it's raining, snowing, extremely windy, or if participants are wearing slick or baggy warm-ups it is NOT safe to stunt. If you question whether it's completely safe or not, assume it is not.

**Music:** All music played for warm-ups and during the game is provided by ASAA. Teams may not submit music to be played.

**Home Team Designation:** After teams have qualified for the semifinals or finals, ASAA will designate which team is the home team based on teams seeds.

**Jersey Colors:** The team designated as home is to wear the dark jerseys and sit on the Grandstand side. The visiting team is to wear light colored jerseys and sit on the far side. If the two teams have similar colors, ASAA will determine the specific team color for that game.

**Sportsmanship:** Cheer coaches and athletes must maintain high standards of sportsmanship and demonstrate positive crowd leading skills at all times.

**Championship Game Timelines:** Championship game timelines will be provided to each head coach in their coaches packet. These timelines must be followed! Semifinal and Championship games will be broadcast by TV/ Webcast production based on these timelines.



**National Anthem & Color Guard:** The home and visiting team for each game are given opportunity to perform the National Anthem or present the colors. Isaiah Vreeman will contact the home school first about which they would like to provide. The visiting team will have second choice. The Large School Championship Game the presentation of the colors will be done by West Anchorage High School ROTC and their large flag.

**Halftime:** Performances at halftime of these First National Bowl Series games are arranged ahead of time. School cheer squads are allowed to perform at halftime of their teams game. However, no music is allowed.

**School/Yearbook/Team Photo or Video Personnel:** These individuals must remain in the spectator areas. Special and limited arrangements can be made for a school yearbook staff. Yearbook staff includes the yearbook teacher and students enrolled in yearbook class. These arrangements must be made WEDNESDAY before the state event begins. Last minute requests will not be approved.

**Event Supervision:** Each participating school will be requested to identify a faculty representative who is responsible for the conduct of its participants and students throughout the contest, as defined in the ASAA bylaws Article 10, Section 2: "A certified staff member or other person approved in advance by the principal or superintendent of a member school or district, must accompany and be in charge of a traveling team."

**Spectator Etiquette:** All spectators are restricted to the spectators areas. The tournament/meet director and ASAA officials are empowered to remove anyone displaying unacceptable conduct from the area and may temporarily suspend the meet, if necessary.

**Concussion Information:** During the ASAA First National Bowl Series only licensed medical team doctors with concussion training or the licensed medical professionals that ASAA provides will have "Return to Play" capabilities. ASAA Concussion Policy will be in effect. Policy at - [ASAA Concussion Management](#).

**Medical:** Medical coverage will be provided by OPA and Team One. Ice will be available in emergencies. Cheer teams if you need ice please bring your own.

**State Merchandise:** Northwest Designs is the Official State Merchandise Vendor. NWD will have a large variety of apparel and feature on-site printing with customized made to order commemorative items. A web store is also available online at [ASAA.org/store](#).

**Hospitality Room:** There will be a hospitality room for each day of games during the ASAA First National Bowl Series. These hospitality rooms are for championship staff, coaches, school admin, officials, ASAA sponsors, and dignitaries. No kids are allowed access. Others not allowed access will be removed.

**Fundraising:** ASAA approves host school groups to sell items inside the gates prior to or during any football games. Other groups must have the permission of ASAA. Non-approved groups will not be allowed access.

**Concessions:** Palmer High School and NANA will be providing concessions throughout the playoffs. Other specific vendors will be approved and assigned by ASAA to provide concessions during the contests. No other unauthorized food providers will be allowed.

