

2021 Division II ASAA First National Bank Alaska Baseball State Championship Policies & Procedures

Date: Thursday, June 3 - Saturday, June 5 **Location:** Wasilla High School Field - Wasilla

Conference Qualifying Berths to State: Conferences need to notify ASAA of their qualifiers by Saturday May 29 10:00 pm. Teams qualify from the following Conferences;

- Southcentral 3 berths
- · Mid Alaska 2 berths
- Southeast 0 berth / included in At-Large Process
- At-Large 3 berths

State Bracket Qualifiers: Bracketing will be selected by a statewide ASAA Baseball Selection Committee.

Schedule/Bracket: The schedule is posted on the Baseball page at <u>asaa.org</u>. The teams will be filled in and posted Monday May 31 by 10:00 am.

Rules: The event will be conducted in compliance with the 2020 National Federation Baseball Rule Book, ASAA mitigation plan and ASAA adoptions on page 108-111 of the ASAA handbook. The ASAA Pitch Count will be enforced for all games.

Practice Times: There will be no practices available.

Mandatory Coaches Meeting: There is a mandatory coaches meeting Tuesday June 1 6:30 pm via Zoom. All policies and procedures as well as mitigations will be reviewed.

Division II Baseball State Championships

May 30 - June 1 Wasilla High School Field -Wasilla

SATURDAY, MAY 29 - 10:00 PM

 Conference Results & State Qualifiers submitted to
 <championships@asaa.org>

SUNDAY, MAY 30 - 2:00 PM Baseball On-Line Forms

- Team Roster
- Good Sport Nomination
 - Code of Conduct

TUESDAY, June 1 - 2:00 PM

Academic Award

TUESDAY, June 1 6:30 PM

 Mandatory Coaches Meeting via Zoom Meeting

Team Rosters: ASAA is using Planeths for its School Activities Reporting System (SARS). Schools will need to submit rosters and indicate which students have qualified for state through this system. This can be done by accessing the Baseball eligibility roster. Enter jersey numbers and indicate the student is a state qualifier. In addition, the State Championship Baseball Entry Form must be submitted. Both submissions are due by 2 pm on Sunday May 30. A copy of the submitted roster will be sent to you prior to the coaches meeting. Following the coaches meeting, **NO CHANGES** to roster personnel may be made. If jersey numbers change, coaches must notify scorekeepers and officials.

Selection of Home Team: At the state championship field, the Tournament Director or Head Official will conduct a coin toss with the two coaches of each game to determine the home team. Home team will have the first baseline dugout. Visiting team will be on the third baseline dugout.

Dugout/Coaching Box: The dugout is for participants in uniform, managers and coaches only. The maximum number of individuals in the dugout is 22 (18 in uniform + 4 coaches/managers). All individuals must be wearing their pass or be in uniform. Due to safety concerns, only individuals 7th grade or above may be in the team area during competition. Please clean up your area after your games. Coaches boxes may be occupied by a coach, player or eligible substitute. All coaches will be in proper uniform.

Field Rules: NO SUNFLOWER SEEDS, GUM, OR PEANUTS are allowed on the field!

Batting Cages: Batting cages are reserved for the teams in the upcoming game.

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Infield Warm-Up: All teams are guaranteed at least 10 minutes infield warm-up before their game. Home team takes the field first. The time will start when the announcer invites the home team to take the field for their warm-up.

Late/Absent Team Procedure: If a team is late to their scheduled game time due to weather or travel difficulties, arrangements will be made by tournament staff for the appropriate rescheduling of that game. If a team is late due to other reasons not related to weather or travel, the game may be delayed for a maximum of 15 minutes. After that period of time, if the team has not appeared and has not contacted ASAA, the game shall be recorded as a forfeit. A team arriving 0-15 minutes after their scheduled time of play will have a maximum of 5 minutes of warm up time.

Introductions: Introductions shall start approximately 5 minutes before scheduled game time. Players and coaches are to line up on their respective base sideline facing the crowd. As players and coaches are introduced, they will step forward.

- First Game: The ENTIRE TEAM will be introduced before their first game.
- Other Games except for Championships: Only the STARTERS will be introduced.
- Championship Game: The ENTIRE TEAM will be introduced before their game.

Medical: Medical staff will be present for all the games throughout the tournament.

Results: All results will be posted online as soon as possible during or following the events each day. Access will be on the Baseball section of the asaa.org website.

Passes:

<u>Coaches</u>: Only certified coaches listed on the School Activities Reporting System (SARS) will receive a pass. Coaches must have on their person the pass while on the bench. If not, the school will be fined \$25.

<u>Participants</u>: Passes will be based on submitted rosters. Managers should be included on the roster. All participants must be in uniform or have their pass with them while on the bench.

<u>Administration</u>: Each school will be provided one pass for attending administrators. The administrator should check in with an ASAA staff member upon arrival to receive a pass.

Photography/Videotaping: Fans, parents, coaches, school employees, etc. are not allowed to photograph outside the spectator area. Designated areas outside the spectator area are reserved for working members of the media and ASAA's official photographer. No flash photography. Fans, parents, coaches, school employees, etc. are not allowed to photograph outside the spectator area. <u>Video service of each event will not be provided by ASAA.</u> Teams are encouraged to make other arrangements if they wish a video copy of their game. If present in non-spectator areas, they will be removed.

Admission Prices: One price all day

Adults – \$10. Elders (65+) - Free Students (age 3 to High School age) – \$5. Child two and under – Free School passes honored during regular season are NOT valid for the state tournament.

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.

Awards: Awards will be handed to coaches at the end of each game.

Team Awards:

- 1st and 2nd Place Team Trophies / Academic Award / Sportsmanship Award
- Individual Awards:
- Medals for members of the 1st and 2nd Place teams and All-Tournament Team
- Awards for the Good Sport Team athletes (2 from each team)
- · Awards for Player of the Game

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Participation Fee: The Board of Directors has authorized the assessment of a participation fee for all state championships and festivals. The fee for Baseball will be \$10 per student participant with a maximum fee of \$150. Once the deadline for withdrawals and substitutions has passed the state meet, the roster will be considered final and schools will be invoiced that amount following the event

ASAA SUPPLEMENTAL BASEBALL RULES

Suspended Games: A game called for any reason by an umpire after the required number of innings, where a winner cannot be determined (i.e. home team is behind and has not batted, or score is tied) will be treated as a suspended game. The game shall be continued from the point of suspension at a later time. The lineup and batting order of each team will remain exactly the same at moment of suspension. If a winner can be determined (both teams have equal at bats or home team is ahead) the team that is ahead will be considered the winner. At the state championships onsite ASAA staff and the Tournament Director shall determine when a suspended game will be completed.

Speed Up: Courtesy runner speed-up rules will be used in the state championship tournament. The following is a speed-up rule summary:

- The team at bat may use courtesy runners for the pitcher and catcher as soon as they get on base. The same runner may not be used for both positions. Neither the pitcher nor catcher will be required to leave the game under such circumstances.
- Players who have participated in the game in any other capacity are ineligible as courtesy runners.
- A player may not run as a courtesy runner for the pitcher or catcher and then as a runner or batter for another player in that inning.
- For illegal substitution of a courtesy runner, such substitution shall be disqualified for the duration of the game.

Mercy Rule: The game shall end when, the visiting team is behind 10 or more runs after 4.5 innings; or after the fifth if either team is 10 runs behind and have had an equal number of times at bat.