Change Requires Schools to Work Together

Billy Strickland, Executive Director

Like most state high school activity associations, ASAA utilizes a classification system to determine which division a school will compete. Depending on the activity, currently ASAA either has one, two, three or four classifications.

This year ASAA formed a committee to review the current classification system and to make recommendations on how to change it for the activities of basketball, football and volleyball. Among the factors ASAA wanted the committee to focus on are: cost, academic considerations and competitive divisions. Currently, ASAA has 228 member schools with varying needs. ASAA’s hope is that any change would be beneficial to most of our member schools and their students. This will not necessarily happen if each school simply wants classifications to work solely in their school’s best interest.

Since ASAA’s establishment, the State of Alaska has changed a great deal, but what has not changed is the value gained by participation in educational based activities. A value rooted in participation, not championships. Change is never easy, but by focusing on what is best for all of us, we can avoid the trap of only shifting the burden to some other group.
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2017 AASG Fall Conference in Review
Denise Greene-Wilkinson, AASG Executive Director

The AASG 2017 Fall Conference was held October 26 through 28 at Mat-Su Technical and Career High School in Wasilla. The conference was one of the largest ever held by AASG and everyone agrees it was a huge success!

More than 500 students representing 47 schools statewide attended the conference, which included regional meetings, general assemblies and debates, along with many fun and exciting social activities. The fall conference theme was “Civic Duty,” and it was certainly reflected in the active debates and the fourteen resolutions that were passed during the conference. Elections for regional representatives were held during the conference's regional meetings.

Visit the Alaska Association of Student Government website to learn more.
2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA
TENNIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

TEAM RESULTS & AWARDS
Champion        South Anchorage
Runner-up       Dimond Lynx
3rd             Juneau-Douglas
4th             West Anchorage
5th             Chugiak
6th             North Pole
6th             West Valley
8th             Service
9th             East Anchorage
10th            Monroe Catholic

Sportsmanship  Juneau-Douglas
Academic       South Anchorage
Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

SINGLES RESULTS
Boys Singles
1st Joseph Hemry        South
2nd Derek Stone         Dimond
3rd Josef Schruf        North Pole
4th Jack Cook           Monroe
5th Spirit Pretlow      Service

Girls Singles
1st Christine Hemry      South
2nd Erica Hurtte         Juneau
3rd Savannah Paull       West
4th Emille Groth         Chugiak
5th Sofia Main           Service

DOUBLES RESULTS
Boys Doubles
1st Jake Brown / Liam Lincoln    South
2nd David Columbus / Marco Rivera East
3rd Jacob Dale / Kolby Hoover    Juneau
4th Andre Lief / Robby Sedwick  West
5th Sean Carey / Isaiah Mills    Dimond

Girls Doubles
1st Kate Debenham / Layna Debenham Dimond
2nd Rebecca LaRue / Tyanna Melak  Chugiak
3rd Sophia Sanders / Khailya Yancha South
4th Ashley Rinker / Carly Donald  North Pole
5th Clarrise Mock / Claudine Mock Service

Mix Doubles
1st Brian Ely / Jordan Dick      West Valley
2nd Sammy McKnight / Adelie McMillian Juneau
3rd Steve Kilkenny / Isabella Jameson South
4th Alden Butzke / Piper Laudon  Dimond
5th Chris Brandeberry / Kristina Yu West
2017 ASAA FIRST NATIONAL BOWL SERIES
FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

DIVISION I RESULTS & AWARDS
Champion  Bartlett
Runner-up  West Anchorage
Tied 3rd  Chugiak
Tied 3rd  East Anchorage

Sportsmanship  East Anchorage
Academic  West Anchorage
Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

Semifinal Scores
Chugiak 62 / Bartlett 75
East Anchorage 18 / West Anchorage 21

Championship Score
Bartlett 40 / West Anchorage 33

DIVISION II RESULTS & AWARDS
Champion  Soldotna
Runner-up  Palmer
Tied 3rd  North Pole
Tied 3rd  Thunder Mt.

Sportsmanship  North Pole
Academic  Soldotna
Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

Semifinal Scores
Soldotna 35 / North Pole 12
Thunder Mt. 7 / Palmer 28

Championship Score
Soldotna 21 / Palmer 0

DIVISION III RESULTS & AWARDS
Champion  Barrow
Runner-up  Homer

Academic  Barrow
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

Championship Score
Homer 14 / Barrow 20
### 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA SWIM & DIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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#### GIRLS AWARDS
- **Academic Award**: Palmer (4.0)
- **Sportsmanship**: Kodiak
- **Outstanding Competitor**: Marina Cummiskey (KHS)

#### GIRLS INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS
- **200 Medley Relay**: Kodiak (1:49.22)
- **200 Freestyle**: Marina Cummiskey (KHS) (1:53.22)
- **200 Ind Medley**: Jessica Davis (SITKA) (2:11.00)
- **50 Freestyle**: Wanlaya Jarupakorn (BHS) (24.60)
- **Diving**: Chole Hartman (PHS) (380.95)
- **100 Butterfly**: Marina Cummiskey (KHS) (57.77)
- **100 Freestyle**: Erin Moody (DHS) (52.91)
- **500 Freestyle**: Camryn Williams (DHS) (5:23.30)
- **200 Freestyle Relay**: Sitka (1:39.26)
- **100 Backstroke**: Jessica Davis (SITKA) (58.81)
- **100 Breaststroke**: Skylar Moore (SITKA) (1:05.43)
- **400 Freestyle Relay**: Dimond (3:37.33)

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- **Academic Award**: Service (3.76)
- **Sportsmanship**: Thunder Mt.
- **Outstanding Competitor**: Talon Lindquist (KHS)

#### BOYS INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS
- **200 Medley Relay**: Thunder Mt. (1:36.47)
- **200 Freestyle**: Maximus Addington (DHS) (1:41.67)
- **200 Ind Medley**: Talon Lindquist (KHS) (1:50.08)
- **50 Freestyle**: Reed Dittlinger (DHS) (20.48)
- **Diving**: Ethan Larson (BHS) (508.05)
- **100 Butterfly**: Talon Lindquist (KHS) (49.41)
- **100 Freestyle**: Caleb Law (SHS) (46.27)
- **500 Freestyle**: Raymie Matliahowski (TMHS) (4:52.62)
- **200 Freestyle Relay**: Dimond (1:26.35)
- **100 Backstroke**: Casey Hamilton (TMHS) (51.10)
- **100 Breaststroke**: Bergen Davis (TMHS) (57.42)
- **400 Freestyle Relay**: Dimond (3:10.34)

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**GIRLS TEAM RESULTS**

**Champion** Dimond

**Runner-up** Kodiak

**3rd** Sitka

**4th** Chugiak

**4th** South Anchorage

**6th** Soldotna

**7th** Homer

**8th** Palmer

**8th** West Valley

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