

2021 ASAA FIRST NATIONAL CUP **DII Hockey State Championship Policies** & Procedures

Date: Thursday, Feb 18 - Saturday, Feb. 20 Location: Curtis Menard Sports Center - Wasilla

Berths to State: Conferences need to notify ASAA who the state qualifiers are by 10:00 PM Saturday, February 13. Qualifiers are based on the following berths:

- Aurora Conference 3 · Railbelt Conference - 5
- Format/Brackets: This is a single elimination 8-team tournament with consolation bracket. Teams will only be guaranteed two games. The 2 undefeated teams will play for the championship on Saturday. Brackets will be posted on the ASAA website http://asaa.org/activities/hockey/

State Hockey Rules: This event will be conducted in compliance with the 2020-21 National Federation Hockey Rule Book. The NFHS Hockey COVID Considerations will also be followed. In addition, ASAA supplemental rules will be enforced. For more information go to the 2020-21 ASAA Handbook pages.

Practice Time: At this time Wednesday, February 17 is available for practice at the Curtis Menard Sports Complex. To schedule a practice contact Tammy Ostrom (907-357-9100, tostrom@ci.wasilla.ak.us) by the end of the day Tuesday February 16. The cost is incurred by the team.

Schedule of Events: The schedule can be found on the ASAA website http:// asaa.org/activities/hockey/.

Mandatory Coaches Meeting: There will be a mandatory coaches meeting on Tuesday February 16 at 6:00PM via Zoom. State policies and procedures will be reviewed.

Team Rosters: Rosters are limited to 20 players. Managers must be included on the roster. Schools will need to submit rosters and indicate which students have qualified for state through planeths This can be done by accessing the Hockey eligibility roster. Enter jersey numbers and indicate the student is a state qualifier. This should be completed by 10 pm on Sunday, February 14. Coaches will verify

their official roster prior to their first game. Once verified there will be NO CHANGES to the roster. If jersey numbers change, coaches must notify scorekeepers and officials.

Forms: The State Championship Hockey Entry Form, Code of Conduct and Good Sport Selection Form must be submitted by 10 pm on Sunday, February 14

Team Personnel: Due to COVID-19 each team will be limited to 25 individuals. This includes players, coaches and managers. Teams should have an administrator attend their games. They are not included in the 25.



TUESDAY, FEB 16 - 6:00 PM

 Mandatory Coaches Meeting via Zoom



Bench Area:

- Team benches are limited to essential personnel (players, coaches, managers)
- Due to COVID-19 a distance of 6' must be maintained between all individuals. The team bench may extend outside of the designated area.
- Due to safety concerns it has been mandated by ASAA that only individuals of 7th grade school age or above may be in the bench area during state championship games.
- Clean up your bench area after your games. This includes cups, water bottles, trash, etc. Staff will be inspecting the benches and locker rooms after each game. Fines, damage cost, and/or cleaning costs will be billed to the school.

Passes: Each participating school will be issued participant passes.

Daily Pre-Game Schedule: Please consult the 2021 First National Cup Daily Pre-Game Schedule for home/visiting team assignments, warm-up procedures, locker room assignments. This is provided once teams and format are known.

Home/Visiting Team: Home Team is the top of the bracket.

Hockey Pucks: ASAA will provide warm-up and game pucks.

Officials: ASAA has selected certified officials for this event.

Team Video: Teams are allowed to film their games from the spectator area. The individual attending to the video must be part of the 25. ASAA is not able to provide a video copy of your game.

Championship Results: All results will be posted on <u>ASAA365.com</u>, through MaxPreps, @ASAAORG (Twitter) and Facebook.

Broadcast Media: The NFHS Network will be webcasting ALL games live on the nfhsnetwork.com.

Facility: We will be following all Menard Complexes mitigation plans. Which means no food or drink in the arena. Schools are allowed to hang signs that are positive and directed only towards the schools team. School signs will be removed if hung over sponsor, exit, or other ASAA signs. Please remove your signs after your last game.

Spectators: The number of spectators allowed to attend the tournament will be limited. When we know which teams have qualified we will send specifics to the school. Spectators will be required to wear masks.

Spectator Support Items | Artificial Noise Makers: Due to COVID-19 yelling and cheering is discouraged. Artificial noise makers that do not interfere with the officials whistle will be allowed. No airhorns or megaphones

State Merchandise: Northwest Designs is the Official State Merchandise Vendor. NWD has a large variety of apparel and feature on-site printing with customized made to order commemorative items. If possible there will be a person on-site selling items, however, there will be a web store is also available online at ASAA.org/store.

Pep Bands/Cheerleaders: Are not allowed at this years hockey state championships.

Participation Fee: The Board of Directors has authorized the assessment of a participation fee for all state championships and festivals. The fee for athletic teams will be \$10 per student participant with a maximum fee of \$150 for those teams of 15 or more participants.

Awards: There will be no award presentation. Awards will be given to coaches or mailed to the school





Team Awards:

- •1st and 2nd Place Team Trophies
- •Academic Award and Sportsmanship Award Individual Awards:
- · Medals for members of the first and second place teams.
- Medals for the members of the All-Tournament Team.
- · Awards for the Good Sport Team athletes.
- Player of the Game will be announced at the end of each game.