

Changes to 2020-21 Handbook

ARTICLE 19 - BYLAW SUSPENSION

Section 1 - Suspension

In the event of declared Federal or State Emergencies or similar life-threatening occurrences, these Bylaws may be suspended for a defined period of time based on the emergency which period of time will be decided by the Executive Director. The suspension of Bylaws shall be approved by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors or, where circumstances require, the suspension of Bylaws shall be ratified by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors

ARTICLE 10 - QUALIFICATION OF COACHES AND ADVISORS

Section 1 - Qualification of Athletic Coaches

B. The Program consists of Five Components

6. In addition to the above courses, coaches of Unified Sports programs must have successfully completed the NFHSLearn Unified Sports course.

Section 2 - Qualification of Advisors and Volunteers

C. Volunteers and Advisors must complete the following courses:

3. In addition to the above courses, coaches of Unified Sports programs must have successfully completed the NFHSLearn Unified Sports course.

ARTICLE 12 - ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLED AND ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Section 2 - Participation Rules

A. To be eligible during a school semester for participation in interscholastic activities, a student must meet the following criteria:

8. The requirements for Special Education students participating in Unified Sports, as “Athletes”, will be determined by the student’ IEP team.

Section 3 - Maximum Participation

NOTE: Many Special Education Students remain in high school for more than eight (8) semesters. Special Education Students participating in Unified Sports as “Athletes”, and living in communities without Adult Special Olympic programs may be eligible for a waiver of the rule. Schools interested should contact the Executive Director for more information.

Section 6 - Age Rule

NOTE: Many Special Education Students remain in high school well beyond their 19th birthday. Special Education Students participating in Unified Sports as “Athletes”, and living in communities without Adult Special Olympic programs may be eligible for a waiver of the rule. Schools interested should contact the Executive Director for more information.

Section 7 - Semester Credit Rule

NOTE: Special Education Students participating in Unified Sports as “Athletes”, are exempt from the Semester Credit rule and GPA requirement. The student’s IEP team will determine if they are eligible

SOCCER

J. STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

3. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

e. Bracketing

Once the at-large teams are selected, the Division II tournament will be seeded using the same criteria with a “new pool” made up of the eight teams. Division I tournament will be seeded using the At-large criteria

BASEBALL

I. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

3. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

d. Bracket Rotations

Division I

2021

Cook Inlet #1 vs. Mid Alaska #2
Southeast #1 vs. Cook Inlet #3 or (AL)
Mid Alaska #1 vs. At-large or (CI3)
Cook Inlet #2 vs. Southeast #2

2022

Southeast #1 vs. Cook Inlet #2
Mid Alaska #1 vs. Cook Inlet #3
Cook Inlet #1 vs. At-large or (SE2)
Mid Alaska #2 vs. Southeast #2 or (AL)

2023

Mid Alaska #1 vs. Southeast #2
Cook Inlet #1 vs. Cook Inlet #3 or (AL)
Southeast #1 vs. At-large or (CI3)
Cook Inlet #2 vs. Mid Alaska #2

Division II

Mid Alaska #1 vs. At-Large #2
Southcentral #2 vs. At Large #1
Southcentral #1 vs. At-large #3
Mid Alaska #2 vs. Southcentral #3

Southcentral #1 vs. At-Large #3
Mid Alaska #2 vs. At Large #1
Mid Alaska #1 vs. Southcentral #3
Southcentral #2 vs. At-large #2

Mid Alaska #1 vs. At-Large #3
Southcentral #2 vs. At Large #1
Southcentral #1 vs. At-large #2
Mid Alaska #2 vs. Southcentral #3

HOCKEY

K. FIRST NATIONAL CUP

3. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

c. Berths

Division I

Cook Inlet Conference	4 berths
Mid Alaska Conference	2 berths
At-large	2 berths

d. At-large

The DI pool will be comprised of the 5th and 6th place CIC teams, 3rd place Mid Alaska team and the DII champions

TENNIS

G. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

3. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

d. All divisions are a 9 entry double elimination bracket. First round and winner matches will be regular sets. All other matches will be short sets.

FOOTBALL

Division III

Mid Alaska (3 berths)

Barrow
Homer
Houston
Kenai
Redington

Denali (1 berth)

Eielson
Monroe
Nikiski
Seward
Valdez

Division II

Railbelt (2 berths)

Kodiak
Lathrop
North Pole
West Valley

Northern Lights (2 berths)

Chugiak
Eagle River
Palmer
Soldotna
Wasilla

Division I*

Cook Inlet Conference

Bartlett
Colony
Dimond
East Anchorage
Juneau
Service
South Anchorage
West Anchorage

*Division I is organized as one singular conference. The results of the regular season will be used to seed a standard 8-team, single elimination bracket.