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2025

State Baseball
Tournament Manual



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WELCOME

Welcome to the State Baseball Tournament. The Idaho High School Activities Association is proud to sponsor this tournament and we hope it will be an enjoyable, educational, and memorable experience for all players, coaches, and fans. Thank you for supporting Idaho high school activities.

This manual includes policies and procedures for the State Baseball Tournament.

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Pre-Tournament School Responsibilities

Coaches’ Meeting

A pre-tournament meeting for all classifications will be scheduled by the tournament managers. All participating schools should be represented at the pre-tournament meeting, as important tournament details will be discussed.

Rosters, Team Pictures & Dairy West Sweatshirt Orders

- **Update Team Roster & Upload Team Photo on MaxPreps (Deadline May 5th)**
 - Go to MaxPreps.com and sign into your School Administrator Account
 - On the left side of the page CLICK “Manage Teams”
 - Locate appropriate sport and CLICK “Manage” - SELECT “Varsity”
 - Select “Login to Coach Admin”
 - On the right side of the page, CLICK “Update your Roster”
 - UPDATE Final State Roster – this information will be used by the IHSAA to create your state tournament roster
 - Return to the Coach Admin Page
 - On the right side of the page, CLICK “Photo” box
 - UPLOAD and SUBMIT team picture
- **Submit roster and sweatshirt order at www.idhsaa.org**
 - Under the “Schools” tab CLICK “Rosters”
 - Log in with Username and Password used to update school directory
 - Select appropriate activity
 - Verify School Details – If changes are needed; CLICK “Edit My School” If correct; CLICK “My School is Correct”
 - Add Assistant Coaches
 - Complete and Verify Roster Form
 - ****Only the sports of Football and Basketball Complete “Season Results”**
 - Submit Sweatshirt Order – The total number of shirts requested must be no more than the number of participants listed on the roster. **** To purchase additional sweatshirts, contact Nancy at McU Sports nancy@mcusports.com**
 - SUBMIT FORM

Baseball Championship Sites/Dates/Managers

May 15-17, 2025

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6A

Memorial Stadium
5600 N. Glenwood St.
Garden City, ID 83714
Mgr: Tony Brulotte, Eagle HS
Ph: 208-350-4235

5A

Wolfe Field
2420 Griffith’s Pkwy,
Caldwell, ID 83605
Mgr: Jon Hallock, Caldwell HS
Ph: 208-455-3304

4A

Melaleuca Field
900 Jim Garchow Way
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
Mgr: Nick Birch, Idaho Falls HS
Ph: 208-525-7798

3A

Vale Stadium
Northwest Nazarene University
Nampa, ID 83686
Mgr: Bove vonBrethorst, Weiser HS
Ph: 208-414-2595

2A

Orofino High School
300 Dunlap Road
Orofino, ID 83544
Mgr: Allen Hutchens, Clearwater Valley HS
Ph: 208-926-4511

2025 Baseball Representation

<u>6A</u>	<u>5A</u>	<u>4A</u>	<u>3A</u>	<u>2A</u>
District I 1	District I-II 1	District I 1	District I-II 2	District II 2
District III 5	District III 2	District III 1	District III 2	District III-IV 2
District IV-V-VI 2	District IV 2	District IV 1	District IV-V 2	*4 At-Large
*4 At-Large	District V 1	District V 1	District VI 2	
	District VI 2	District VI 1	*4 At-Large	
	*4 At-Large	*3 At-Large		

2025 Play-In Qualifier Series

6A

3-Team Play-In Format
 Double Elimination Qualifier
 Winner of Play-In Advances to State Championships
 District Champions Host Play-In Games
 North Host District I
 West Host District III (2 hosts)
 East Host District IV-V-VI
 3 Tier System (MaxPreps) for Play-in Bracketing
 Tier 1 1-4 seeds
 Tier 2 5-8 seeds
 Tier 3 9-12 seeds

5A

3-Team Play-In Format
 Double Elimination Qualifier
 Winner of Play-In Advances to State Championships
 District Champions Host Play-In Games
 North Host District I-II
 West Host District III
 South Host District IV
 *East Host District V-VI
 *Highest ranked district champion of 5-6
 3 Tier System (MaxPreps) for Play-in Bracketing
 Tier 1 1-4 seeds
 Tier 2 5-8 seeds
 Tier 3 9-12 seeds

4A

2-Team Play-In Format
 Best 2/3 Game Qualifier
 Winner of Play-In Advances to State Championships
 Play-In Game Hosts
 North Host District I Champion
 Top 3 ranked (MaxPreps)
 District Champions from Districts III-IV-V-VI
 Opponents will be based on final Idaho (MaxPreps)
 Rankings vs. District Champion Hosts

3A

3-Team Play-In Format
 Double Elimination Qualifier
 Winner of Play-In Advances to State Championships
 District Champions Host Play-In Games
 North Host District I-II
 West Host District III
 South Host District IV-V
 East Host District VI
 3 Tier System (MaxPreps) for Play-in Bracketing
 Tier 1 1-4 seeds
 Tier 2 5-8 seeds
 Tier 3 9-12 seeds

2A

2-Team Play-In Format
 Best 2/3 Game Qualifier
 Winner of Play-In Advances to State Championships
 District Champions Host Play-In Games
 North Host District I
 South Host District III-IV
 Top 2 ranked (MaxPreps) Non-District Champions
 Opponents will be based on final Idaho (MaxPreps)
 Rankings vs. District Champion Hosts

2025 Championship Series

- 4-Team Double Elimination Tournament
- Based on 4 Play-In Qualifiers
- Seeded by (MaxPreps) Final Idaho Rankings

#2 Seed

#3 Seed

#1 Seed

#4 Seed

Play-In Qualifier Series Admission

Tickets can be purchased online using the GoFan app on your mobile device.
Link can be found on the IHSAA homepage; www.idhsaa.org

Day Ticket – Per Day

General Admission	\$ 10.00
Discount Ticket	\$ 9.00

Championship Series Admission

Tickets can be purchased online using the GoFan app on your mobile device.
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All Tournament Pass

General Admission	\$ 27.00*
Discount Ticket	\$ 22.00*

**online only; subject to additional service fees*

Day Ticket – Day 1 or Day 2

General Admission	\$ 10.00
Discount Ticket	\$ 9.00

Day Ticket – Day 3

General Admission	\$ 11.00
Discount Ticket	\$ 10.00

NOTE Discount Tickets:

- Seniors 55 & older
 - Students in grades 7-12 with an activity card
 - Students in grades 1-6
- *Children 5 & under admitted free

Inclement Weather Procedure for State

In the event the state play-in games and championships cannot take place in its scheduled format, the following procedure will be used:

1. All modifications will be handled in accordance with IHSAA Rule 20.
2. Alternate sites, if available, must be within reasonable distance to the original site so as not to incur additional travel/lodging costs for teams that have traveled.
3. Games will be shortened to 5 innings until the original game schedule can be resumed.
6. The length of championship games will be determined by the host site manager and the IHSAA.
7. If it is not possible to get the games in, the tournament may be cancelled.

Team Personnel

Coaches/Support Personnel: All classifications will be allowed four coaches and three support personnel to be admitted without an IHSAA card or tournament pass. Any coaches or support personnel exceeding that number must have either an IHSAA card or purchase a tournament pass.

Number of Players: At play-in and state tournament games, a maximum of twenty players may be in uniform at the start of the contest. Violation of this rule will result in the school being assessed a maximum fine for dressing more than the approved number of players at a state play-in series or tournament game with forfeiture of the game if excess numbers play.

Game Policies

Pre-Tournament Practice

Teams who wish to practice in the locale of the state tournament should contact the tournament manager for a site and time.

Dressing Rooms

Due to limited space, teams are encouraged to dress at their hotel. Arrangements can be made to lock up valuables. Facilities are not for storage.

Training Room

Training room facilities and a trainer will be available for special assistance or in case of emergency. However, schools should plan to furnish their own tape and supplies.

Determining Home Team

At state play-in games, the home team shall be determined by the MaxPreps end of season higher seed. With exceptions for a higher seeded team losing their seed to a lower seeded team if a head-to-head game is won by the lower seed. The home team dugout shall be determined by the site manager.

Warm-up Between Games

A ten (10) minute warm-up on the playing diamond will be allowed for each team playing in their first game of each day. All other warm-up times between games will be limited to throwing and stretching at the side of the field near the teams' respective dugouts. The tournament manager will set the length of the warm-up time. In case of inclement weather, the tournament manager may alter warm-up time.

Official Ball

The Official Baseball for all play-ins and state championships will be the Wilson A1010.

Officials/Scorers

Tournament umpires will be provided and assigned by the IHSAA and the district commissioners. Tournament management will provide official scorers.

Official Rules

All Idaho high school baseball games are governed by the rules of the National Federation of State High School Association and applicable Idaho state modifications.

T-shirts & Souvenir Merchandise

State tournament t-shirts and other souvenir merchandise will be sold at the tournament by McU Sports. Please contact Nancy at McU Sports (208) 342-7734 with questions.

Programs

The composition, printing and selling of programs is the responsibility of the IHSAA. Each team will receive one complimentary program in their team packets.

National Anthem

The National Anthem will be played at the start of the state championship game when possible.

Lost & Found

The tournament manager will provide a lost found area. Unclaimed items will be held at the IHSAA Office.

Awards

Trophies will be awarded to first-, second-, third- and fourth-place teams. Medals will be awarded to members of the championship and runner-up teams.

Presentation of Awards

The fourth-place and third-place trophies will be awarded at the conclusion of those games. The second-place and championship trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the championship game. The runner-up trophy will be awarded and the introduction of players with medal presentation if possible. The same procedure will be followed for the championship trophy and medal presentation.

Protests

The IHSAA Board of Directors does not recognize protests of sports officials' decisions. Correction of errors will be handled in accordance with the NFHS rules.

All-Tournament Team

The IHSAA is philosophically opposed to all-tournament team selections. It is the right of the media to conduct polls and establish rankings. However, the IHSAA will not participate in such selections nor announce them at the tournament.

Sportsmanship

The following sportsmanship rules will be in effect at all IHSAA state play-ins and championship events:

1. Face Painting – Full and/or half face painting is not permitted. Partial face painting is permitted such as small markings on the cheeks, nose, or forehead. Covering the face or head with a mask, or anything that obscures identification, is not permitted. School mascots and halftime performers are excluded.
2. Posters/Banners/Signs – All signs must display only positive support for one's own team.
3. Artificial Noisemakers – Artificial noisemakers are prohibited.
4. Balloons – Balloons are not permitted at any IHSAA state play-in or championship event.
5. Attire – Bare chests are not permitted. Shirts must be worn.
6. Inappropriate Behavior – Throwing objects onto (or entering) the playing area before, during or after a contest and verbal harassment or derogatory remarks directed toward an opponent or official are not permitted.

Crowd Control

Each school is responsible for the conduct of its students and adult fans. IHSAA rules require schools to provide close supervision at all contests and asks for support and cooperation of administrators in enforcing the following rules:

1. No one other than authorized individuals will be allowed on the field or in restricted areas.
2. Persons who enter the field or restricted areas will be removed from the premises for the remainder of the tournament.

Littering

Teams are responsible to pick up litter from the dugout and on the playing field. Schools should assist tournament managers in keeping the facility clean, by closely supervising student sections.

2025 State Tournament Pitch Count Rules

1. No pitcher may throw more than 110 pitches in a game or day if the team is playing a doubleheader. Only a starting pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter only when they hit the maximum limit (110 in varsity play; 85 in sub-varsity) during an at-bat but must exit the position after the hitter. Once a non-starter reaches a pitch limit, they do NOT get the opportunity to finish an at bat.
2. A pitcher cannot throw three consecutive days no matter how many pitches they have combined to throw the previous two days.
3. No varsity pitcher can throw more than 100 pitches over two consecutive days. No sub-varsity pitcher can throw more than 60 pitches over two days. Pitchers are NOT allowed to finish a batter once they reach the limit over a two-day period. That limit will result in two days of mandated rest. (Note: Swing players who play multiple days at multiple levels should combine pitches thrown and use the VARSITY chart for mandated rest.)
4. Below are the required number of rest days:

<u>PITCHES</u>	<u>REQUIRED REST</u>
86-110	3 Days
61-85	2 Days
36-60	1 Day
1-35	0 Days

***Required Days rest is a complete calendar day**

EXAMPLE: If a pitcher throws more than 86 pitches on Tuesday, they would be able to pitch again on Saturday. Resting on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

5. If a school/pitcher violates the pitching rules, the game in which the violation occurred will result in a forfeit.
6. During each contest, the site manager is responsible for the official book. A record of pitches will be recorded and verified after each full inning.

High School Media Credential Protocol

Members of the school media (school newspaper/yearbook) will be issued IHSAA tournament credentials by the school's Athletic Director and must comply with mainstream media guidelines (see Media page on the IHSAA website).

Broadcasting/Webcasting

Live video and audio broadcasting of IHSAA State events (full or condensed versions) is strictly prohibited and in direct violation of the IHSAA's agreement with the NFHS Network and Idaho Sports.com.

Broadcasting or streaming events declined by the NFHS Network and/or Idaho Sports.com must be approved by the Idaho High School Activities Association and each member school that is participating in this event.

IHSAA Webcast Partner: [NFHS Network](#) - Exclusive video broadcast rights of State Play-In and IHSAA sponsored State Tournament events are contracted through the NFHS Network. Permission for cable operators, newspapers, radio stations, television stations, school broadcasting, private individual or Internet sites in relation to video broadcast of State Play-In and IHSAA sponsored State Tournament events must be done by contacting NFHS Network. Credentials will not be granted to media not receiving clearance from the IHSAA through NFHS Network.

IHSAA Audio Webcast Partner: [IdahoSports.com](#) - Exclusive audio broadcast rights of State Play-In and IHSAA sponsored State Tournament events are contracted through IdahoSports.com. Permission for cable operators, newspapers, radio stations, television stations, school broadcasting, private individual or Internet sites in relation to audio webcast of State Play-In and IHSAA sponsored State Tournament events must be done by contacting Paul Kingsbury at IdahoSports.com. Credentials will not be granted to media not receiving clearance from the IHSAA through IdahoSports.com.

Terrestrial radio broadcast requests need to be approved, prior to the start of the tournament, by submitting an IHSAA Radio Broadcast Contract to the IHSAA.