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TO: High School, Junior High and Middle School Principals, Athletic Directors, Baseball Coaches
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SUBJECT: AHSAA Pitch Count APP and Official Pitch Count Recorder Test

The is a reminder to all administrators and baseball coaches that the AHSAA Pitch Count Rule will go into effect in the 2017 season for all high school varsity, junior varsity, freshman, junior high and middle school games. The AHSAA Pitch Count Application, which counts pitches and allows the Official Pitch Count Recorder to submit the official report to C2C after each game, can be accessed by downloading the AHSAA APP.

Step-by-step instructions on how the Pitch Count Application will work can be downloaded at the following link:

<http://support.c2cschools.com/topics/1643-pitch-limit-c2cs-mobile-pitch-count-application/>

Watch an on-line web-based instructional video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NGJT3IGr4oQ>

Host schools will be responsible for providing an Official Pitch Count Recorder for each contest it hosts. A school's Official Pitch Count Recorder must be listed on the School Users and given OPCR permission. The person must take the OPCR online test which is now available in C2C. There is no charge for the test this season. However, all Official Pitch Count Recorders must complete the test. To access the test:

- 1. Log into your C2C account**
- 2. Go to menu in top left corner**
- 3. Click on Account & Personal**
- 4. Choose Your Exams**
- 5. Find the OPCR exam**
- 6. Complete exam**

The AHSAA Pitch Count Rule approved by the AHSAA Central Board of Control can be found at the following link:

<http://www.ahsaa.com/Sports/Baseball>

AHSAA Pitching Limitation Rule: is based on the number of pitches thrown in a day. The pitch count is based on legal and illegal pitches thrown. The use of an ineligible pitcher, one who has violated this rule, shall result in the forfeiture of the game in which the ineligible pitcher participated as a pitcher and the offending school will also be assessed a fine of \$250. The following is the number of allowable pitches and days' rest needed.

Failure by host school to provide an Official Pitch Count Recorder for a VARSITY contest will result in a \$250 fine and \$125 for a JV, Middle School or Junior High contest. Additional penalties, including suspension of pitching privileges for up to seven days, will be assessed for any pitchers that do not have their pitch count data reported on the AHSAA game Pitch Count Report.

The AHSAA staff is also available to answer any questions.

Thank you