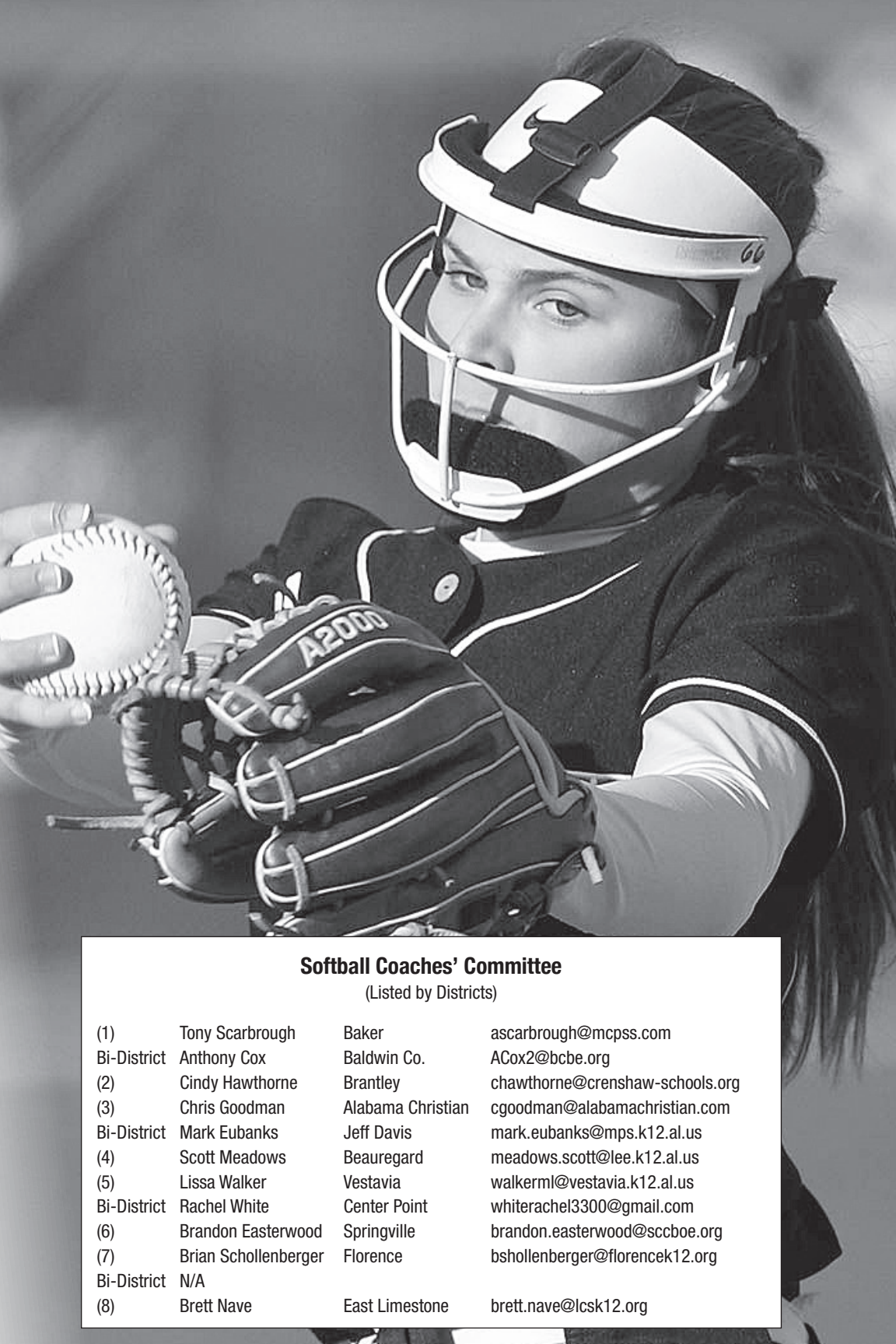




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The Championship Program

Throwing Period—Jan. 7 | 1st Team Practice—Jan. 28 | 1st Contest—Feb. 18

Online Requirements For All Sports

POSTING SCHEDULES

Schools must post season schedules on the AHSAA website in the Members' Area by the deadline dates listed below. Failure to do so could result in a fine assessed to the school.

Schools may go online and make any changes immediately as they occur.

Deadlines for posting schedules:

May 1 — fall sports (football only)

June 1 — fall sports (cross country, swimming & diving, volleyball,)

Sept. 15 — winter sports (basketball, bowling, indoor track, wrestling)

Jan. 15 — spring sports (baseball, golf, outdoor track, soccer, softball, tennis)

POSTING ROSTERS

Schools are required to post team rosters prior to its first contest of the season.

POSTING SCORES

Schools are also required to post scores of contests online immediately following all contests in the regular season (and within 24 hours after regular season tournaments) and in the playoffs or be subject to a fine.

In the post-season playoffs, failure to report scores immediately after a contest will subject the school to a fine.

The Game

1. The softball program provides fast pitch competition for girls in seven divisions: 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6A and 7A.
2. Schools are permitted 18 regular season varsity/junior varsity games plus 7 weekend and holiday tournaments. All tournaments other than area and state tournaments must be held with no loss of school time. A team's season ends when it is eliminated in the playoffs.
 - (a) Junior high and middle schools are permitted 14 regular season games. In addition, all schools may play 5 weekend or holiday tournaments with no loss of school time. A season-ending tournament may be played during the week.
3. Note: A tournament is defined as an organized event in a sport when 3 or more teams participate and multiple games are played. All softball events involving 3 or more teams must be sanctioned (See *Rule III. Contests. Section 3. Sanctioning Events, page 44 AHSAA Handbook.*) A tournament is usually played at one site. (All teams participating must count the event the same whether the event is completed or not.)
4. All participants must be eligible under AHSAA rules. Any complaint regarding the eligibility of any student must be made to the AHSAA Office.
5. Each of the (1A-6A) classes is divided into 16 areas with each area winner and runner-up advancing to a regional tournament. The winner and runner-up in the regional tournament will advance to the state tournament. Area teams are required to play two regular season games against each of its area opponents. 7A is divided into 8 areas with each winner and runner-up advancing to a regional tournament.
6. The brackets for Regional and State Tournaments will be on a three-year rotation.
7. Games will be played under National Federation rules and all rules for State Association Adoption that have been adopted. In accordance with NFHS and AHSAA rules, protests are not allowed.

Bench and Field Conduct:

8. The use of artificial noisemakers inside the dugouts is prohibited. Players cannot use noisemakers to distract or taunt the opposing team's pitcher. (NFHS Rules 3-6-9, 3-6-13)
9. No participant, coach or administrator, shall use alcohol or any form of tobacco product (including e-cigarette or similar items) beginning with arrival at the competition site until departure following the completion of the contest. (NFHS Rules 3-6-12)

NFHS Rules/AHSAA Adoptions

10. Equipment:

- (1) A 12-inch ball (COR .47 and maximum compression of 375 pounds) and 60-foot bases will be used in all regular season, area, regional and state tournament games.
- (2) The pitching distance is 43 feet with the 12-inch ball.
Reminders: All balls used must have the COR and compression labeled on the cover along with the National Federation Authenticating Mark (NFHS). Any brand of softball (must be optic yellow) that meets National Federation specifications may be used during regular season play. The specifications of color and COR shall be identical for all balls used in each game. (Rule 1-3-5)
- (3) Wilson optic yellow balls must be used in all area and championship play (A9011-SST).
- (4) All bats shall meet the current ASA Bat Performance Standard, bear either the 2000 or 2004 certification mark and not be listed on the ASA non-approved bat list. When the illegal bat is an altered or non-approved bat, the batter and the head coach are also ejected. (Rule 1-5-d) Certified bats meeting this standard can be found at www.asasoftball.com.
- (5) The catcher shall wear a head protector and a protective mask with throat protector that is part of or attached to the mask. The catcher's helmet and mask combination shall meet the NOCSAE standard and have full ear protection (dual ear flaps).
- (6) A batting helmet bearing a permanently-fixed Manufacturer Certifies NOCSAE stamp and exterior warning label is mandatory for each batter, on-deck batter, players/students in the coach's boxes, runners and retired runners. The exterior warning label may be affixed to the outside of the helmet, which includes both sides of the bill, in either sticker form or embossed (at the point of manufacture).
- (7) All batting helmets shall be equipped with a NOCSAE-approved face protector. The phrase "Meets NOCSAE Standard" must be permanently affixed to the face protector.
- (8) Any wristband with a playbook/play card attached shall be considered equipment and is permitted as long as it is a single, solid color and not optic yellow. (Wristband shall only be worn on the non-pitching arm.)

11. Uniforms:

- (1) Uniforms of all team members should be of the same color and style. The school's uniform (including uniform jersey, and /or pants/shorts/skirts, etc., visible undergarments, socks, stockings, caps and headwear) may bear only a single manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference (partial or whole) that does not exceed 2 1/4 square inches with no dimension exceeding 2 1/4 inches. Players shall wear/utilize uniforms/equipment properly and as designed by the manufacturer. (Rule 3-2-1, 3-2-3 and 3-2-10). Headwear (caps, visors, sweatbands, ribbons, etc.), if worn, must now be white, black, beige or school colors. The colors are not required to be solid nor the same for each team member.
- (2) Metal or rubber cleats are permitted. (Rule 3-2-11)
- (3) Arm sleeves, leg sleeves, any tights are permissible. Anything worn on the arm (excluding wristband with a play card) or leg is a sleeve and must meet the color restrictions.
- (4) **Coaching Attire:** Coaches, when in a live ball area, are required to be in school uniform

or jersey/coaching shirt with coaching shorts/slacks or warm-up suits (including fleece warm-ups) in school colors or colors of khaki, black, white or gray. Cut-offs and any type of jeans are prohibited. Note: Jackets are not considered part of the coach's uniform. (Rule 3-5-3).

12. Contest Guidelines:

- (1) A 10-run rule will be used in all regular season, area, regional and state tournament games. A game shall end any time after 4 1/2 or 5 innings when a team is 10 or more runs behind and has completed its turn at bat.
- (2) All games may end after 2 1/2 or 3 innings when a team is 15 or more runs behind and has completed its turn at bat.
- (3) A regular season or tournament game played at a city park where other park activities are scheduled may be terminated any time after 1 1/2 hours of play upon agreement of both coaches prior to the game.
- (4) All area, regional and state tournament games called for any reason before a winner can be determined shall be considered a suspended game and shall be continued from the point of suspension at a later time.
- (5) If a game is halted when the umpire considers the weather or ground conditions unfit for play, the umpire shall resume play as soon as possible. If play cannot be resumed within 30 minutes, the umpire may declare the game ended or suspended according to the rules.
- (6) A team may use a 10th player, called a Designated Player/Flex option (Rule 3-3-6).
- (7) A courtesy runner may be used at any time for the pitcher and/or the catcher and neither one will be required to leave the game. The same courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and catcher in the same half inning or any time during a game. Players who are currently in the game or have participated in the game in any other playing capacity are ineligible to serve as courtesy runners. The courtesy runner is not permitted for the Designated Player if the DP is only batting for the pitcher or catcher. (Rule 8-9-5.)
- (8) Once the courtesy runner is designated for that half-inning, the pitcher or catcher for whom she is running may not return to run while that courtesy runner is on base.
- (9) A courtesy runner cannot run for a courtesy runner. (Rule 8-9-6)
- (10) Any player may be withdrawn from the game and re-entered once, provided such player occupies the same batting position whenever in the lineup. Rule (3-3-5)
- (11) Once a team has gone short-handed and another eligible player is available, that player may fill the empty space in the lineup. (Rule 3-3-8d)
- (12) The National Federation tie-breaker may be used for extra-inning games in invitational tournaments and also in regular season games upon agreement of both coaches prior to the game. The tie-breaker shall not be used in area, regional and state tournament play.
- (13) Any player removed from a game by ejection will fall under the AHSAA conduct rule that issues warnings to first-time offenders.
- (14) Media shall be prohibited from being in a live-ball area unless marked. The home team or game management has the authority to designate a lined area for the media.
- (15) Schools must use AHSAA-registered umpires. It is the responsibility of the host school to pay umpires' fees for regular season at the game site. Please see officials' fee schedule on page 136. The AHSAA will be responsible for scheduling and paying officials through Arbiter sports for area, regional, and state tournaments.
- (16) Forfeit time is 30 minutes after the scheduled starting time. If the host team is notified prior to the scheduled starting time that an emergency situation will delay the visiting team's arrival, the forfeit time may be delayed.
- (17) No regular season games are permitted after the regular season ends. A playoff team's season ends when it is eliminated from the playoffs.
- (18) Dates for championship play in each division are as follows:

April 26-May 4 Area Tournaments (double elimination)

May 9-11 Qualifying Regionals (double elimination)

May 15-18 State Tournament (double elimination) at Lagoon Park, Montgomery.

Field Criteria:

- (1) All area, qualifying regional and state tournament games must be played on fields that meet the requirements listed in the National Federation Softball Rules book.

Note: The AHSAA recommends a minimum height of six feet for all fences enclosing the field and a minimum distance of 15 feet from each foul line to the nearest obstruction in foul territory.

- (2) If the home team of an area game has a field that fails to meet proper specifications, it will be the responsibility of the home school to obtain a site nearest to it that meets the specifications or to modify its own field. (Note: A baseball field does not meet specifications for section and sub-state play.)
- (3) A field may have the following modification in order to meet the requirements for hosting an area, regional or state tournament game:
 - (a) A minimum distance of 15 feet from the backstop to home plate. (The National Federation Rule Book specification is 25 feet.)
 - (b) The minimum distance from home plate to the nearest obstruction in fair territory is 185 feet (maximum is 235 feet). Note: The fence distance in the state tournament is 200 feet.

Playoff Format

DATE: All area games must be played no later than **Saturday, April 20**. All brackets are due **Monday, April 22** by 10 a.m.

COORDINATOR'S RESPONSIBILITY: The designated coordinator of each area must have an organizational meeting of all area schools prior to Jan. 31 to finalize the area schedule, set up a procedure for making up area games, establish a team entry fee (if necessary), and adopt plans to cover tournament expenses. Team travel should be considered only if surplus funds are available after the payment of regular tournament expenses.

FORMAT: Each team in the area must play each area opponent two regular season games (home-and-home) prior to its area tournament in order to qualify for the championship program. If an area team fails to qualify for the playoff, any game played against that team will be treated the same as a non-area game.

The winner of the regular season play will host the area tournament.

SEEDING: Seeding of teams will be based on the percentage of area games won against teams that qualify for the playoff. If a team plays a qualified area team more than twice during the season, only the first regular season game at each home site will count in determining the area winning percentage. All other head-to-head regular-season games will be considered non-required games (the same as games against non-area opponents) for tie-breaking purposes. Failure to play all area games could result in fines, probation and/or disqualification from the area tournament.

TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURE

In the event there is a winning percentage tie by two or more teams for a certain seed, that seed will be determined by applying the following tiebreaking factors in the order listed, beginning with (a) for two teams or (aa) for more than two teams.

A tie for the highest seed will be resolved first, then the next highest seed will be resolved by applying the same tiebreaking factors in the order listed, beginning with (a) or (aa) as determined by the number of teams in the tie.

If a certain tiebreaker does not apply to the tie being resolved, apply the next factor in the order listed.

The tiebreaking factors:

If Two Teams Tie . . .

- (a) . . .the team which defeated the other in both regular season games will be seeded ahead

of the other. Games played in tournament play are not counted in tie breakers.

- (b) ...and the teams split their two regular season area contests, the team which had the highest winning percentage in any non-area regular season contests against each other will be the higher seed.
- (c) ...and the two teams split their two regular season games, the team with the highest winning percentage against the No. 1 seeded team will be seeded ahead of the other. If the tie is for the No. 1 seed, apply (d) and the remaining tiebreakers in order as necessary.
- (d) Apply (c) using winning percentage against the No. 2 seeded team;
- (e) Apply (c) using winning percentage against the No. 3 seeded team;
- (f) Apply (c) using winning percentage against the No. 4 seeded team;
- (g) Apply (c) using winning percentage against the No. 5 seeded team.
- (h) Apply (c) using winning percentage against the No. 6 seeded team;
- (i) By a flip of a coin.

If More Than Two Teams Tie . . .

- (aa) ...the team which had the highest winning percentage against all the other tied teams during regular season area play will be seeded ahead of all the other tied teams.
 - 1. If two teams tie for the highest winning percentage ahead of all the other teams involved in the tie, apply the two-team, tiebreaking factors for those two teams, beginning with (a) and the highest-ranked team will be placed ahead of all tied teams. Then, if needed, for all other teams involved in the original tie, apply tiebreaker (a) if only two teams remain and (aa) if more than two teams remain.

NOTE: This (aa-1) procedure will apply in all remaining tiebreaker factors where applicable.

- (bb) ...the team which had the highest winning percentage in any non-area regular season contests against each other will be the higher seed ahead of all other tied teams. (In order for this tie breaker to apply, the teams must have played the same number of non-area games against all other tied teams.)
- (cc) ...the team with the highest winning percentage against the No. 1 seeded team will be seeded ahead of all the other tied teams. If the tie is for the No. 1 seed, apply (dd) and the remaining tiebreakers in order as needed. Then the next seed will be resolved by applying the tiebreaking factors in the order listed for all the other teams involved in the tie, beginning with (a) or (aa) as determined by the number of teams still tied.
- (dd) Apply (bb) using percentage against the No. 2 seeded team;
- (ee) Apply (bb) using percentage against the No. 3 seeded team;
- (ff) Apply (bb) using percentage against the No. 4 seeded team;
- (gg) Apply (bb) using percentage against the No. 5 seeded team;
- (hh) Apply (bb) using percentage against the No. 6 seeded team;
- (ii) By flip of a coin.

Officials' Fees

Regular Season:

High School Varsity = \$47.00 per official per contest.

Junior Varsity = \$37.00 per official per contest.

Junior High (7-9) = \$35.00 per official per contest.

Mileage Allowance = \$8.00 per official per day.

Mileage Allowance (Over 60 Miles) = \$10.00 per official per day.

Championship Playoffs:

The game fee per official for the Prelim Tournaments will be \$50.00 plus the Mileage Allowance.

The game fee per official for the State Tournament will be \$55.00 plus the Mileage Allowance.

2-Member Crew
(Per Official Per Day)

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| Area Tournament Mileage Allowance | \$10 |
| Regional Tournament Mileage Allowance | \$20 |
| State Tournament Mileage Allowance | \$30 (one day only) |

Area Tournaments

DATE: The tournament may be scheduled anytime from **Friday, April 26**, through **Saturday, May 4**. If an area cannot schedule its tournament on the designated dates due to players' conflicts with other championship sports, then the students with conflicts must choose between the sports.

SITE: The top-seeded team in regular season play. The principal of each host school will serve as tournament director.

FORMAT: Double elimination bracket. The highest-seeded teams will be the "home team" in the first round. The highest-seeded team may choose to be the visitors in the first-round game. A coin flip will determine the "home teams" in all other rounds.

ADMISSION: \$6 per day

BALL: Wilson A9011-SST (Each school provides a game ball for each game played.)

COACHES' RESPONSIBILITY: The coach of each area team in the tournament, including the host school coach, must create a team roster online before the first regular season game and create an updated Tournament Roster online by April 20. The Tournament roster must be submitted to the Area Tournament Director by April 22.

HOST SCHOOLS' RESPONSIBILITIES: (See notes from Area Coordinator Meeting prior to Jan. 31st.)

- (a) Select a site with facilities adequate for hosting a double elimination area tournament. Field criteria must be met.
- (b) Select an area tournament director (the school principal at tournament site).
- (c) Adopt plans to cover expenses. A team fee may be established, if necessary. Team travel should be considered only if surplus funds are available after payment of major tournament expenses.
- (d) Set up double elimination area tournament bracket with positions based on the regular season area play. Each team in an area must play every other team in its area twice during the regular season.
- (e) Officials for the tournament will be assigned and paid by state office.
- (f) Secure trophies (permissible at the discretion of each area).

TOURNAMENT WINNING AND RUNNER-UP COACHES' RESPONSIBILITY: The coach of each area winner and runner-up team must (1) post results online to the AHSAA website and (2) email a color team photo (high resolution) and an up-to-date C2C team roster to program director Dennis Victory at AHSAA@cfxsports.com immediately following the area tournament and no later than May 2 or end of tournament (whichever is first).

MEDIA AND BROADCASTS: See Media link on the AHSAA homepage (www.ahsaa.com).

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY: Each area tournament director will prepare and submit a tournament financial report to the State Office immediately upon completion of the tournament. The State Office will furnish a form for this purpose.

The financial report must be filed immediately upon completion of the tournament.

- (A) Expenses will be paid from gate receipts, to the extent available, in the following order:
 - (1) Taxes (state and local), if applicable
 - (2) Officials: Fee – \$50 per official per contest.
Mileage Allowance – \$10 per official per day. Please see officials' fee information on page 135.
 - (3) Municipal facility (if necessary; not to exceed regular season charges)
 - (4) Trophies (if necessary)
 - (5) Revenue Sharing (\$1 per ticket sold)
- (B) Net receipts after expenses will be divided as follows:
 - (1) 2/3 of net receipts to participating teams
 - (a) Team travel (not to exceed 36 cents per mile both ways or 1/3 of net receipts)
 - (b) Balance divided equally among schools according to the number of games played in the tournament.
 - (2) 1/3 of net receipts to AHSAA

Qualifying Regionals

DATE: May 9-11

SITES: South Regional —Sportsplex, Gulf Shores
East Central Regional — Choccolocco Park-Oxford
West Central Regional — Bowers Park, Tuscaloosa
North Regional — Coffee O'Neal Park-Florence

DIRECTORS:

South—Jeff Hopkins, 251-269-7376. Email: jhopkins@gulfshoresal.gov
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East Central—Greg Bagley, 256-591-5340, Email: greg.bagley@oxfordal.gov
West Central—Sarah Heggem, 205-394-0305, Email: sheggem@visittuscaloosa.com
North— Randy Burns, 256-349-7412 Email: s

TEAMS (1A-6A):

South—Areas 1-4
East Central—Areas 5-8
West Central—Areas 9-12
North—Areas 13-16

TEAMS (7A):

South—Areas 1-2
East Central—Areas 3-4
West Central—Areas 5-6
North—Areas 7-8

FORMAT: The winner and runner-up from each of four areas in 1A-6A will be placed in a pre-drawn, eight-team bracket for a double-elimination qualifying regional in each class. Each area winner will be the ‘home team’ in the first round. Each area winner may choose to be the visitors in the first-round game. A coin flip will determine the “home team” in all other rounds. Winner and runner-up in 7A from 2 areas will be placed in a 4 team bracket for a double-elimination qualifying regional.

No champion will be determined in the qualifying regional. The team that remains undefeated in the winners’ bracket will qualify as the top seed for the state tournament. The team that wins the losers’ bracket will qualify as the second seed for the state tournament.

COACHES’ MEETING: Each coach must attend a pre-game meeting one hour prior to each team’s first game in the regional. The meeting will be held at a designated location at each site.

ADMISSION: \$8 per day

AWARDS: Trophies to the two qualifiers from each regional in each classification.

PRACTICE: No practice is allowed at a regional site.

BALL: Wilson A9011-SST (Balls provided)

OFFICIALS: Umpires will be assigned by the State Office. A minimum of two umpires will be used for each game. Assignment of umpires during the regional will be coordinated by the AHSAA Officials’ Coordinator.

WINNING AND RUNNER-UP COACHES’ RESPONSIBILITIES:

If not already submitted, email a team tournament roster (Excel format) and picture (high resolution digital photo) to Dennis Victory at AHSAA@cfxsports.com.)

MEDIA AND BROADCASTS: See Media link on the AHSAA homepage (www.ahsaa.com).

TIME SCHEDULE (for each regional):

| Thursday | Field 1 | Field 2 | Field 3 | Field 4 | Field 5 | Field 6 |
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| 9:00 | 1-7A | 2-7A | 1-3A | 2-3A | 3-3A | 4-3A |
| 10:30 | 1-4A | 2-4A | 3-4A | 4-4A | 1-6A | 2-6A |
| 12 noon | 1-1A | 2-1A | 3-1A | 4-1A | 3-6A | 4-6A |
| 1:30 | | | | | 3-7A | 4-7A |
| 3:00 | 5-4A | 6-4A | 5-3A | 6-3A | | |
| 4:30 | 7-3A | 8-3A | 7-4A | 8-4A | 5-1A | 6-1A |
| 6:00 | 7-1A | 8-1A | 5-7A | 5-6A | | 7-6A |
| 7:30 | 9-3A | 10-3A | 9-4A | 10-4A | 8-6A | 6-6A |

| Friday | Field 1 | Field 2 | Field 3 | Field 4 | Field 5 | Field 6 |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 9:00 | 9-1A | 10-1A | 11-3A | 11-4A | | |
| 10:30 | 9-6A | 10-6A | 11-1A | 11-6A | 12-3A | 12-4A |
| 12 noon | 1-5A | 2-5A | 3-5A | 4-5A | 12-1A | |
| 1:30 | | | | | | 12-6A |
| 3:00 | 1-2A | 2-2A | 3-2A | 4-2A | 13-3A | 13-4A |
| 4:30 | | | 13-1A | 13-6A | 5-5A | 6-5A |
| 6:00 | 7-5A | 8-5A | 5-2A | 6-2A | 7-2A | 8-2A |
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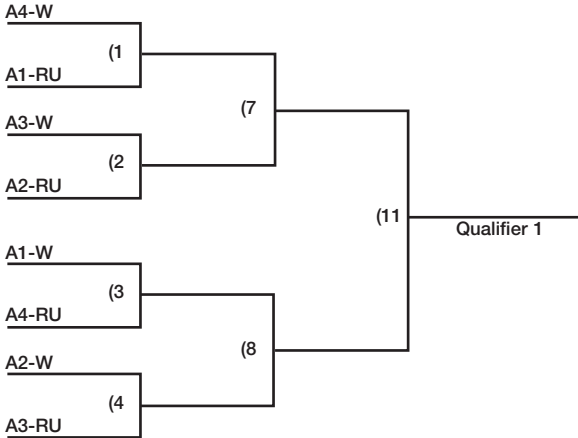
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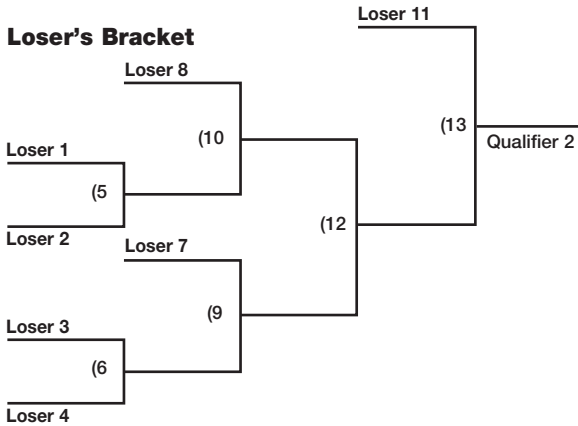
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(Sportsplex, Gulf Shores)

Winner's Bracket



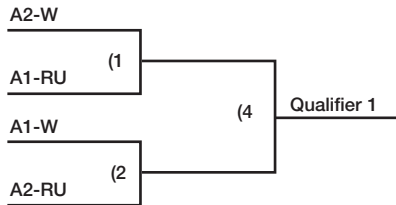
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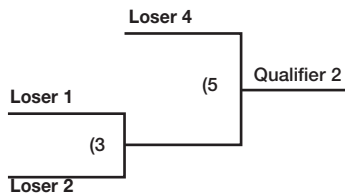
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CLASS 7A

Winner's Bracket

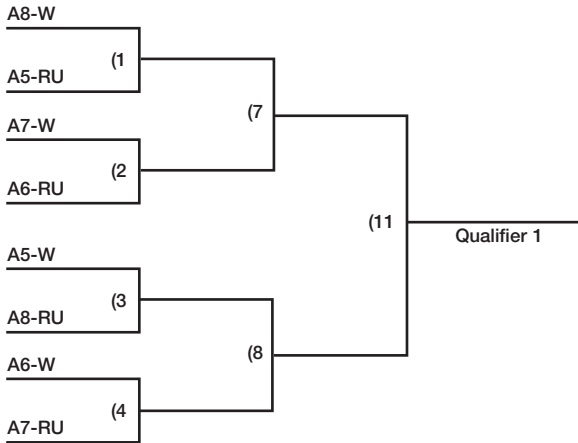


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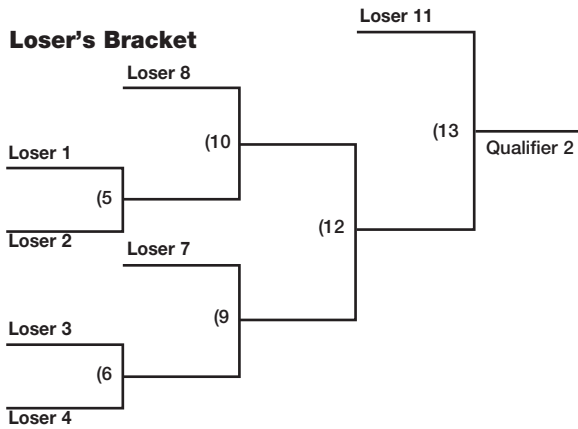


EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL (1A-6A)
Choccolocco Park, Oxford

Winner's Bracket



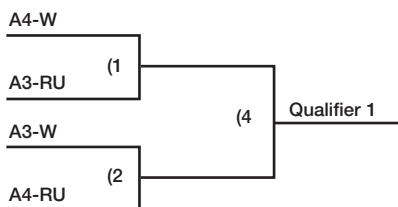
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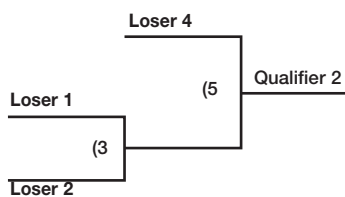
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Choccolocca Park, Oxford

CLASS 7A

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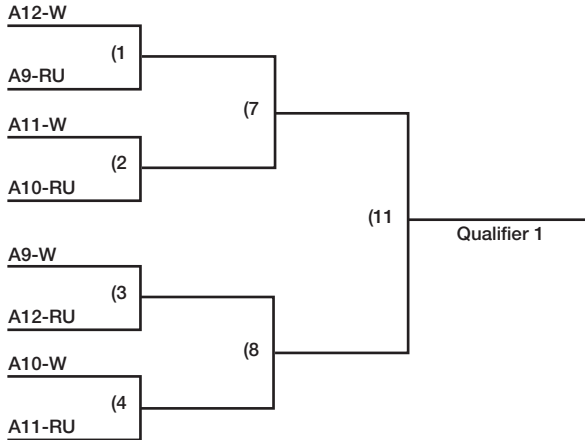


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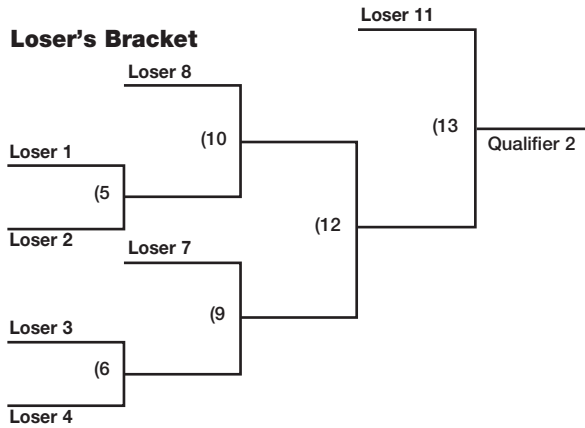


WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL (1A-6A)
(Bowers Park, Tuscaloosa)

Winner's Bracket



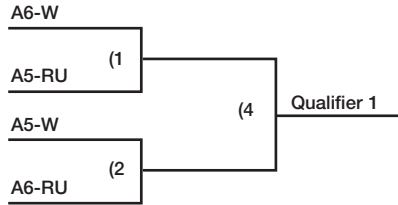
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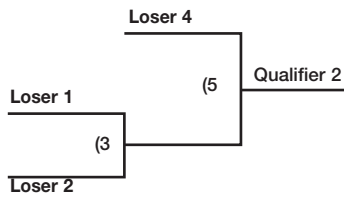
WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL
(Bowers Park, Tuscaloosa)

CLASS 7A

Winner's Bracket



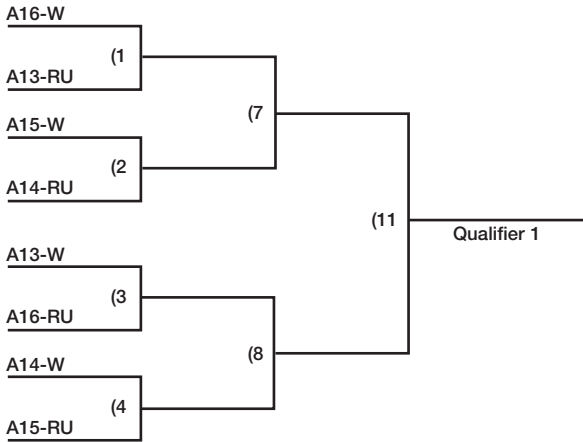
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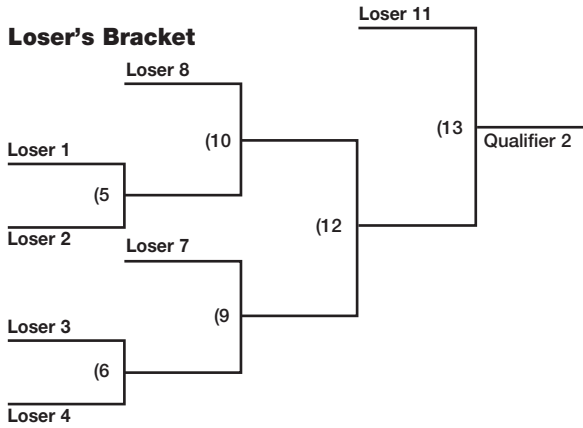
NORTH REGIONAL (1A-6A)

Coffee O'Neal Park, Florence

Winner's Bracket



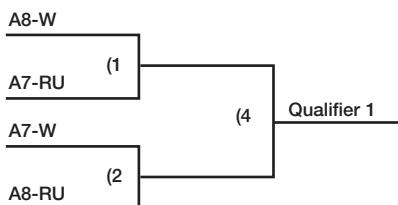
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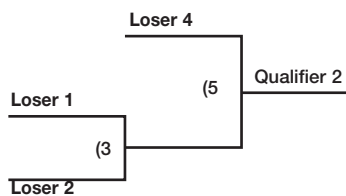
NORTH REGIONAL
Coffee O'Neal Park, Florence

CLASS 7A

Winner's Bracket



Loser's Bracket



State Tournament

DATE: May 15-18, 2018

SITE: Montgomery—Lagoon Park

DIRECTOR: Natalie Norman, Lagoon Park, P.O. Box 210564, Montgomery, AL 36121
Phone: 334-271-7016
Rob Hollingshead: 334-354-6012; **Billy Taylor:** 334-354-3028

FORMAT: The top two qualifiers of each regional will be placed in a pre-drawn, eight-team bracket for a double elimination tournament in each division.

Qualifier 1 from each regional is designated the home “team” in the first round, but may choose to be visitors. A coin flip will determine the “home team” in all other rounds except championship game(s).

The winner of the winners bracket may choose home or visitor in the championship game. For the “if needed” game, the winner of game one can choose home or visitor.

COACHES’ MEETING: Each coach must attend a pre-game meeting one hour prior to each team’s first game in the tournament. The meeting will be held on the second floor of the Control Tower at Lagoon Park.

ADMISSION: \$10 per day at gate
\$10 per day + processing fee for digital tickets at GoFan

AWARDS: (a) Trophies to champion and runner-up teams in each class
(b) Awards to Most Valuable Player and all-tournament team in each class

It is the expectation of the AHSAA that all athletes and coaches display excellent character and sportsmanship during awards presentations. Failure to respond accordingly will result in a monetary fine and possible probation and/or suspension.

MEDIA AND BROADCASTS: See Media link on the AHSAA homepage (www.ahsaa.com).

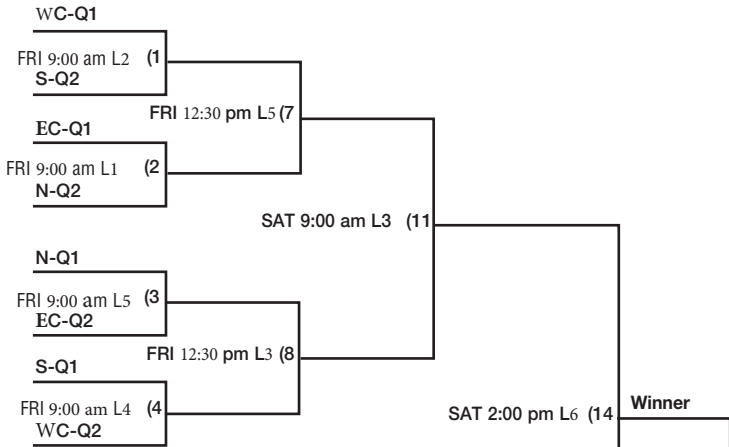
1. Game ball (Wilson A9011-SST) will be furnished at the state tournament site.
2. Officials will be assigned by the State Office. Three-member umpire crews will be used for each game. Assignment of umpires during the tournament will be coordinated by the tournament officials’ coordinator.

State Tournament Brackets

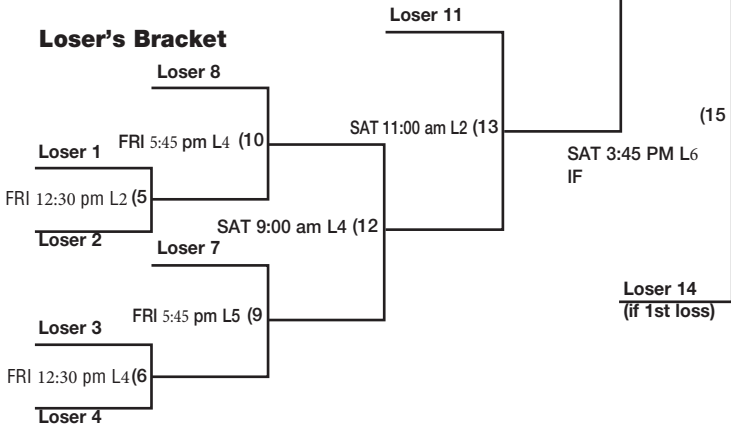
State Tournament brackets are pre-drawn with pairings rotated each year. Regional qualifiers are placed in designated places on the brackets.

Class 1A (Friday-Saturday)

Winner's Bracket



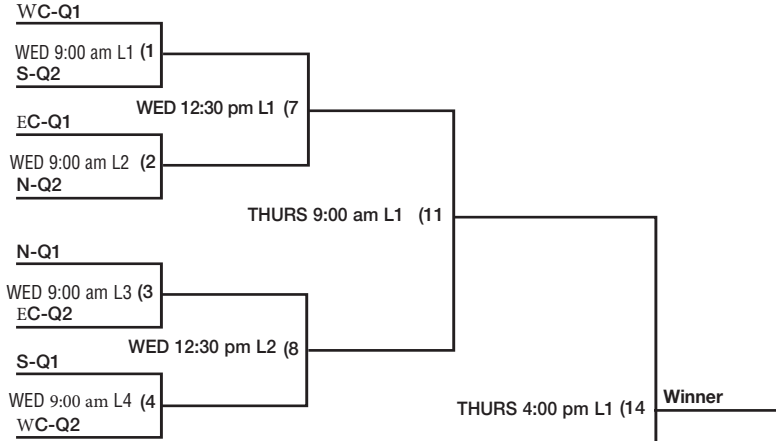
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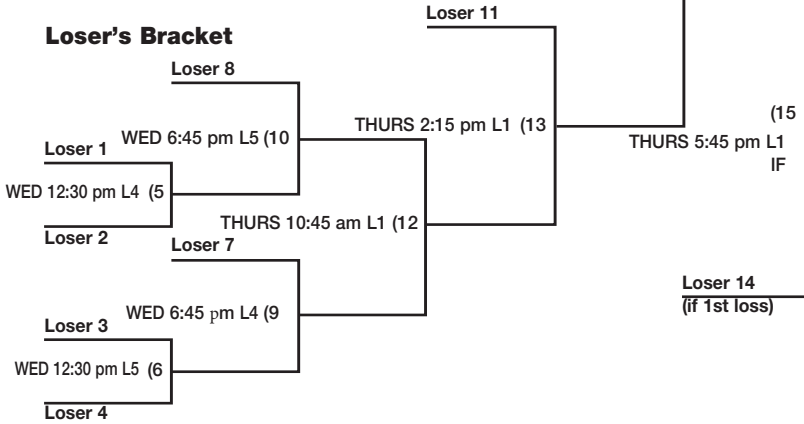
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Class 2A (Wednesday-Thursday)

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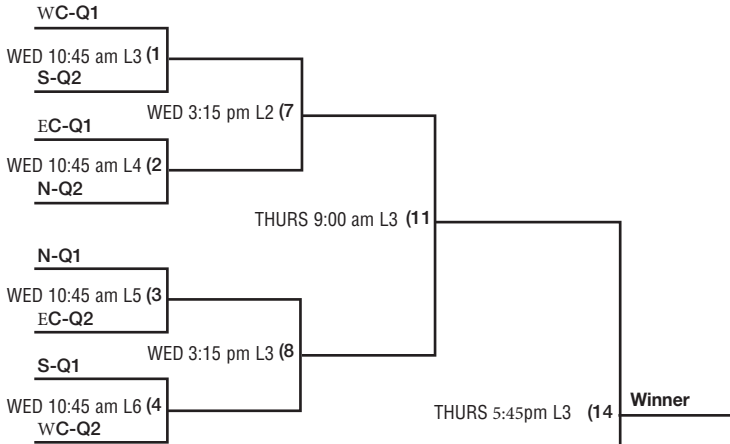
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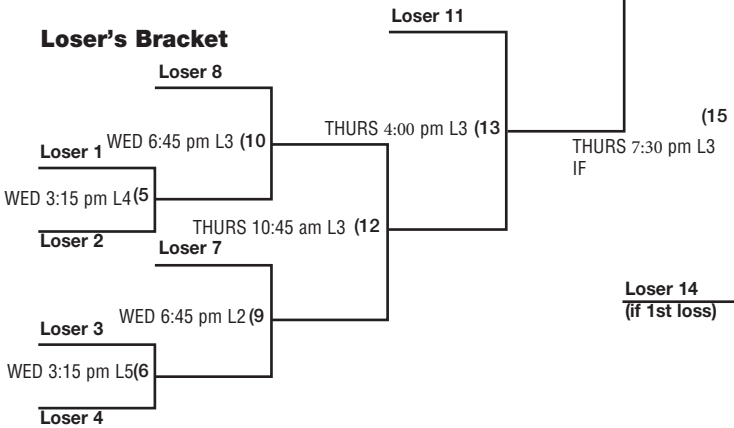
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Class 3A (Wednesday-Thursday)

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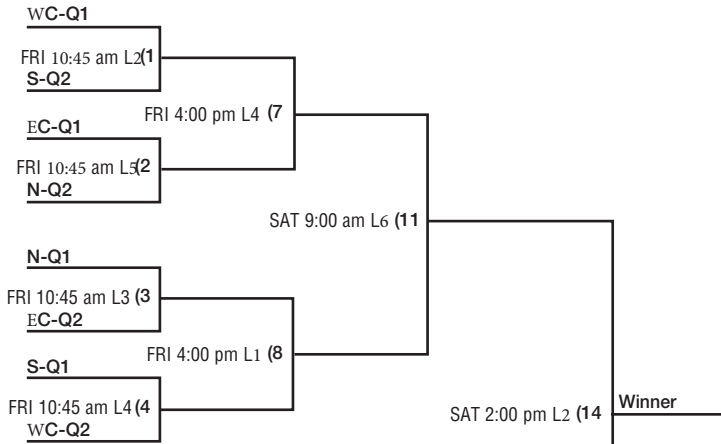
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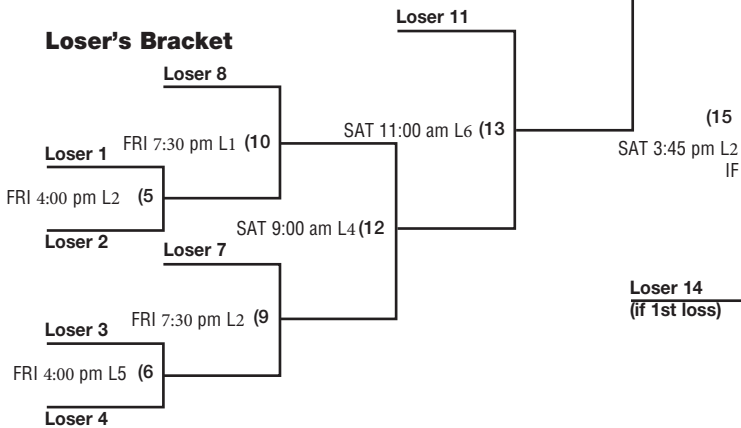
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Class 4A (Friday-Saturday)

Winner's Bracket



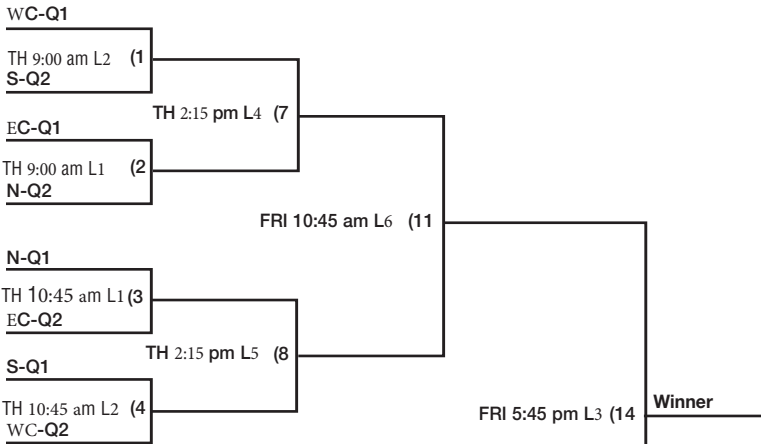
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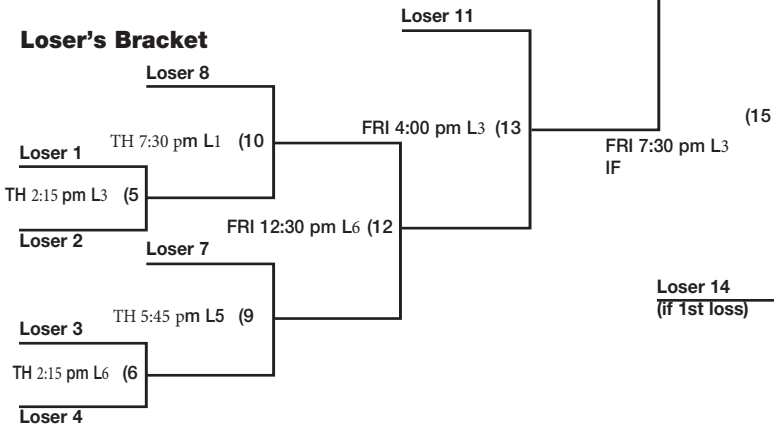
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Class 5A (Thursday-Friday)

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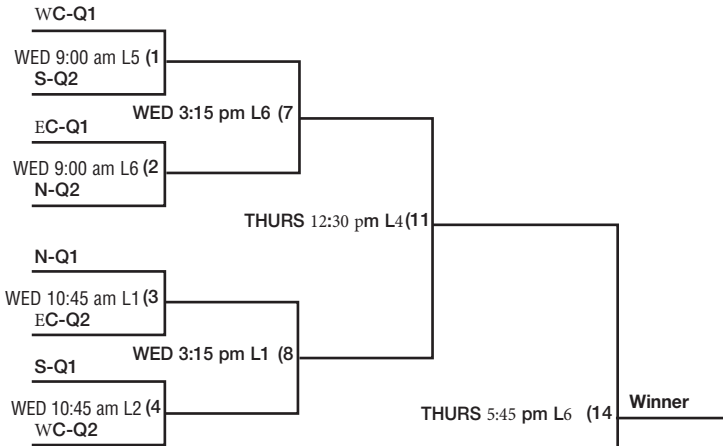
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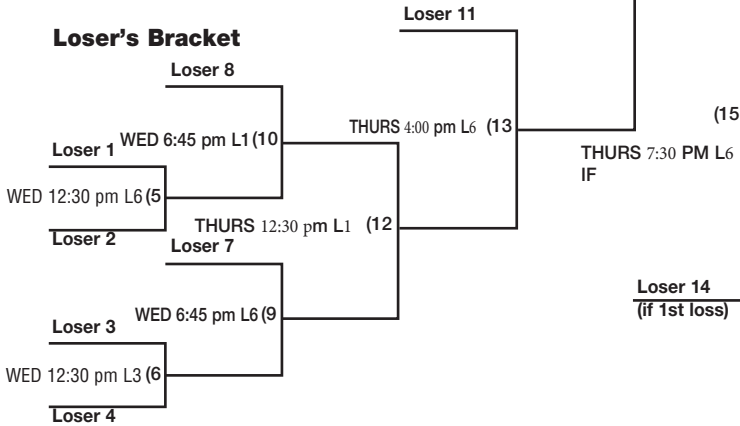
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Class 6A (Wednesday-Thursday)

Winner's Bracket



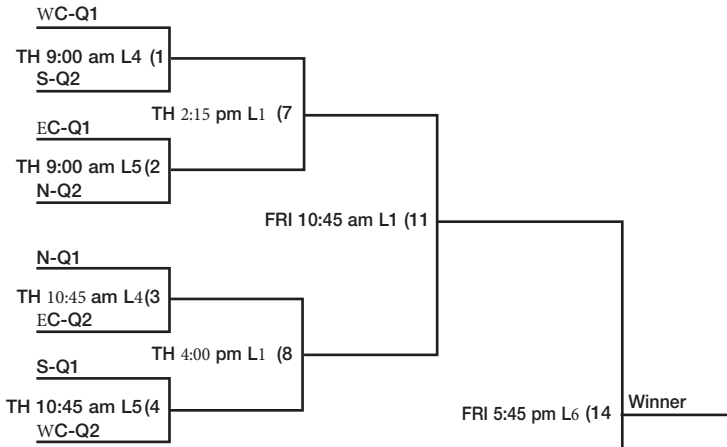
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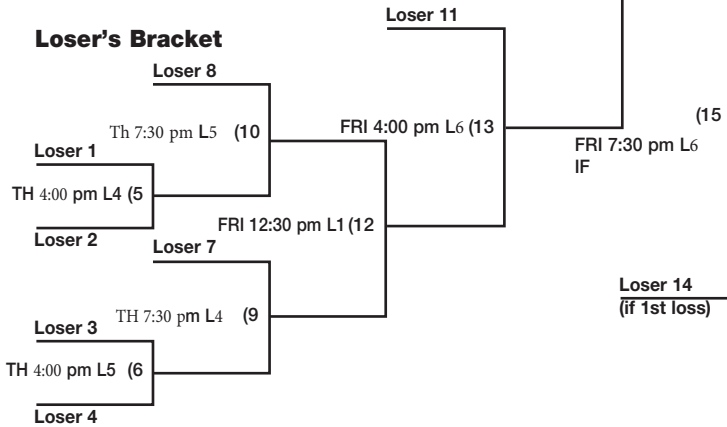
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Class 7A (Thursday-Friday)

Winner's Bracket



Loser's Bracket



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Area Alignment

Class 1A

Area 1

*Coordinator: William Stagner
Fruitdale*

Fruitdale
McIntosh
Millry
Sweetwater

Area 3

*Coordinator: Kris Odom
Brantley*

Brantley
Elba
Floral
Kinston

Area 5

*Coordinator: Albert Weeden
Loachapoka*

Autaugaville
Loachapoka
Verbena

Area 7

*Coordinator: David Weir
Victory Christian*

Heritage Christian
Jefferson Christian
Victory Christian

Area 9

*Coordinator: Jack Hayes
Brilliant*

Brilliant
Hubbertville
Lynn
Marion County

Area 2

*Coordinator: Curtis Moorer
Georgiana*

Georgiana
McKenzie
Pleasant Home
Red Level

Area 4

*Coordinator: Ricky Porter
Isabella*

Billingsley
Ellwood Christian
Isabella
Keith
Maplesville

Area 6

*Coordinator: Trevor Kribbs
Berry*

Berry
Holy Spirit Catholic
Pickens County
South Lamar

Area 8

*Coordinator: Lori Carlisle
Wadley*

Faith Christian
Talladega Co.
Wadley
Winterboro

Area 10

*Coordinator: Amanda Justus
Coosa Christian*

Appalachian
Coosa Christian
Jacksonville Christian
Ragland

Class 1A

Area 11

*Coordinator: Johnny Hardin
Hackleburg*

Belgreen
Hackleburg
Phillips
Vina

Area 13

*Coordinator: Mike Welsh
Spring Garden*

Gaylesville
Spring Garden
Valley Head

Area 15

*Coordinator: Randal Adams
Athens*

Athens Bible
Covenant Christian (Tuscumbia)
R.A. Hubbard

Area 12

*Coordinator: Marla Murrah
Meek*

Decatur Heritage
Falkville
Lindsay Lane
Meek

Area 14

*Coordinator: Anthony Davidson
Skyline*

Skyline
Whitesburg Christian
Woodville

Area 16

*Coordinator: Gary Williams
Waterloo*

Cherokee
Mars Hill Bible
Shoals Christian
Waterloo

Class 2A

Area 1

Coordinator: Donald Baggett
J.U. Blacksher

Blacksher, J.U.
Chickasaw
Cottage Hill Christian

Area 3

Coordinator: Jason Steed
G.W. Long

Abbeville
Cottonwood
Houston County
Long, G.W.

Area 5

Coordinator: Danny Patterson
Leroy

Choctaw County
Leroy
Southern Choctaw
Washington County

Area 7

Coordinator: Tom Cochran
Reeltown

Horseshoe Bend
LaFayette
Reeltown

Area 9

Coordinator: Jeff Thompson
Woodland

Ohatchee
Ranburne
Woodland

Area 2

Coordinator: Gray Harrison
New Brockton

Daleville
Geneva
New Brockton
Samson

Area 4

Coordinator: Major Lane
Goshen

Ariton
Goshen
Luverne
Zion Chapel

Area 6

Coordinator: Cliff Maddox
Highland Homes

Calhoun
Central, Hayneville
Highland Home

Area 8

Coordinator: Bradley Bouldin
Central, Coosa

Central, Coosa
Fayetteville
Thorsby
Vincent

Area 10

Coordinator: Amy Banaszek
Tarrant

Cleveland
Southeastern
Tarrant
West End

Class 2A

Area 11

*Coordinator: Lisa Stamps
Sulligent*

Cold Springs
Sulligent
Sumiton

Area 13

*Coordinator: Donny Jones
Collinsville*

Asbury
Collinsville
Fyffe

Area 15

*Coordinator: Thomas Laster
Tharptown*

Colbert County
Red Bay
Sheffield
Tharptown

Area 12

*Coordinator: Rusty Thrasher
Cedar Bluff*

Cedar Bluff
Gaston
Sand Rock

Area 14

*Coordinator: Michah Smothers
Addison*

Addison
Hatton
Tanner
Winston County

Area 16

*Coordinator: Wayne Lyles
Ider*

Ider
North Sand Mtn.
Section

Class 3A

Area 1

Coordinator: Michael Papa
Bayside Academy

Bayside Academy
Mobile Christian
Thomasville

Area 3

Coordinator: Donny Powell
Straughn

Geneva
Opp
Straughn

Area 5

Coordinator: Willie Wright
Pike County

Bullock
Pike County

Area 7

Coordinator: Chris Hand
Dadeville

Beulah
Corner, B.B.
Dadeville
Randolph Co.

Area 9

Coordinator: Stephanie Robinson
Fultondale

Fultondale
Locust Fork

Area 2

Coordinator: Robert Hammond
Flomaton

Excel
Flomaton
Miller, T.R.

Area 4

Coordinator: B.T. Hinson
Slocomb

Houston Academy
Providence Christian
Slocomb
Wicksburg

Area 6

Coordinator: Brian Oliver
Saint James

Prattville Christian
Saint James
Southside, Selma
The Montgomery Academy

Area 8

Coordinator: Ronnie Garner
Hale County

Gordo
Greene County
Hale County
Holt

Area 10

Coordinator: Benjie Parrish
Winfield

Carbon Hill
Lamar Co.
Oakman
Winfield

Class 3A

Area 11

*Coordinator: Mark Proper
Pleasant Valley*

Piedmont
Pleasant Valley
Saks
Walter Wellborn
Weaver

Area 13

*Coordinator: Mike Little
Brindlee Mountain*

Brindlee Mountain
Holly Pond
New Hope
Vinemont

Area 15

*Coordinator: Billy Duncan
Pisgah*

Geraldine
Pisgah
Plainview
Sylvania

Area 12

*Coordinator: Charlton Giles
Glencoe*

Glencoe
Hanceville
Pennington, J.B
Susan Moore

Area 14

*Coordinator: Gary Odom
Phil Campbell*

Colbert Heights
East Lawrence
Phil Campbell

Area 16

*Coordinator: Eric Cornelius
Lauderdale County*

Clements
Lauderdale County
Lexington
Westminster Christian

Class 4A

Area 1

*Coordinator: Kirven Lang
Williamson*

Escambia County
Neal, W.S.
UMS-Wright
Williamson

Area 3

*Coordinator: Jason Bradford
Headland*

Ashford
Dale County
Headland

Area 5

*Coordinator: Wes Rogers
Elmore County*

Elmore County
Holtville
Washington, B.T.

Area 7

*Coordinator: Terry Lawley
West Blocton*

American Christian
Northside
Sipsey Valley
West Blocton

Area 9

*Coordinator: Gregory Foster
Handley*

Cleburne County
Handley
Lincoln
Talladega

Area 2

*Coordinator: Daniel Shakespeare
Andalusia*

Andalusia
Clarke County
Hillcrest, Evergreen
Monroe County

Area 4

*Coordinator: Julie Taggart
Alabama Christian*

Alabama Christian
LAMP
Montgomery Catholic
Trinity Presbyterian

Area 6

*Coordinator: Stoney Pritchett
Sumter Central*

Dallas County
Greensboro
Sumter Central

Area 8

*Coordinator: David Shaw
Leeds*

Childersburg
Indian Springs
Leeds
Montevallo
Oak Grove

Area 10

*Coordinator: Russ Waites
Jacksonville*

Anniston (non-championship)
Cherokee County
Hokes Bluff
Jacksonville
White Plains

Class 4A

Area 11

Coordinator: Jeremy Madden
Fayette County

Cordova
Curry
Fayette County
Haleyville

Area 13

Coordinator: Mark Mason
Priceville

Danville
Madison Academy
Priceville
St. John Paul II Catholic

Area 15

Coordinator: Keith Harris
West Morgan

Brooks
Elkmont
West Limestone
West Morgan

Area 12

Coordinator: Lauren Wilson
Oneonta

Ashville
Fairview
Good Hope
Oneonta

Area 14

Coordinator: Robert Paradise
North Jackson

DAR, Kate D. Smith
North Jackson
Randolph

Area 16

Coordinator: Russell Tate
Deshler

Central, Flor.
Deshler
Rogers
Wilson

Class 5A

Area 1

*Coordinator: Gerald Cunningham
Vigor*

Faith Academy
LeFlore Magnet
Satsuma
St. Paul's Episcopal
Vigor

Area 3

*Coordinator: Brock Kelley
Charles Henderson*

Carroll
Charles Henderson
Greenville
Rehobeth

Area 5

*Coordinator: Chris Tangle
Demopolis*

Bibb County
Central, Tusc.
Demopolis

Area 7

*Coordinator: William Hathcock
Central, Clay County*

Central, Clay County
Munford
Sylacauga

Area 9

*Coordinator: Regina Carr-Hope
Wenonah*

Fairfield
Parker, A.H.
Pleasant Grove
Wenonah

Area 2

*Coordinator: Randy Campbell
Citronelle*

Citronelle
Jackson
Wilcox

Area 4

*Coordinator: Sherry Ashe
Valley*

Beauregard
Brewbaker Tech
Tallassee
Valley

Area 6

*Coordinator: Donna Finch
Marbury*

Chilton County
Jemison
Marbury
Shelby County

Area 8

*Coordinator: Shawn Brower
Briarwood Christian*

Briarwood Christian
John Carroll
Ramsay
Woodlawn

Area 10

*Coordinator: Kimberly Brown
Moody*

Center Point
Moody
Saint Clair
Springville

Class 5A

Area 11

*Coordinator: Bart Reeves
Jasper*

Corner
Dora
Hayden
Jasper
Mortimer Jordan

Area 13

*Coordinator: Wendy Gibbs
Sardis*

Boaz
Crossville
Douglas
Sardis

Area 15

*Coordinator: Thomas Jones
Lawrence County*

Hamilton
Lawrence County
Russellville

Area 12

*Coordinator: Chris Winningham
Southside, Gadsden*

Alexandria
Etowah
Southside, Gadsden

Area 14

*Coordinator: Brad Cooper
Arab*

Arab
Brewer, A.P.
Guntersville
West Point

Area 16

*Coordinator: Louis Berry
East Limestone*

Ardmore
East Limestone
Madison County
Scottsboro

Class 6A

Area 1

*Coordinator: Beverly Spondike
Saraland*

Baldwin County
B.C. Rain
Mattie T. Blount
Saraland

Area 3

*Coordinator: Stan Eldrige
Dothan*

Dothan
Eufaula
Northview

Area 5

*Coordinator: Robert Slater
Wetumpka*

Selma
Stanhope Elmore
Wetumpka

Area 7

*Coordinator: Jeff Hinton
Hillcrest, Tusc.*

Brookwood
Hillcrest, Tusc.
Northridge
Paul Bryant

Area 9

*Coordinator: Tod Humphries
McAdory*

Bessemer City
Hueytown
McAdory

Area 2

*Coordinator: Meredith Foster
Daphne*

Daphne
Gulf Shores
Robertsdale
Spanish Fort

Area 4

*Coordinator: Danny Patterson
Park Crossing*

Carver, G.W. (MGM)
Lanier, Sidney
Park Crossing

Area 6

*Coordinator: Farrell Seymore
Opelika*

Benjamin Russell
Opelika
Russell County

Area 8

*Coordinator: Wayne Trucks
Chelsea*

Calera
Chelsea
Helena
Pelham

Area 10

*Coordinator: Antjuan Marsh
Shades Valley*

Homewood
Huffman
Shades Valley

Class 6A

Area 11

*Coordinator: RMary Beth Blankenship
Gardendale*

Carver, G.W. (BHM)
Gardendale
Minor
P.D. Jackson-Olin

Area 13

*Coordinator: Heath Harmon
Oxford*

Albertville
Fort Payne
Oxford

Area 15

*Coordinator: Chad Holden
Muscle Shoals*

Athens
Columbia
Muscle Shoals

Area 12

*Coordinator: Michael Lee
Clay-Chalkville*

Clay-Chalkville
Pell City
Pinson Valley

Area 14

*Coordinator: Johnny Berry
Decatur*

Cullman
Decatur
Hartselle

Area 16

*Coordinator: William Markham
Buckhorn*

Buckhorn
Hazel Green
Lee, Huntsville
Mae Jemison

Class 7A

Area 1

*Coordinator: Lewis Copeland
Davidson*

Alma Bryant
Baker
Davidson
Mary G. Montgomery
Theodore

Area 3

*Coordinator: Brock Dunn
Prattville*

Enterprise
Jeff Davis
Lee, R.E.
Prattville

Area 5

*Coordinator: Don Hulin
Hoover*

Hoover
Oak Mountain
Thompson
Tuscaloosa County

Area 7

*Coordinator: Becky Balentine
Grissom*

Gadsden City
Grissom
Huntsville
Sparkman

Area 2

*Coordinator: Jon Cardwell
Fairhope*

Fairhope
Foley
McGill-Toolen
Murphy

Area 4

*Coordinator: Shannon Pignato
Auburn*

Auburn
Central, P.C.
Smiths Station

Area 6

*Coordinator: Peer Giangrosso
Spain Park*

Hewitt-Trussville
Mountain Brook
Spain Park
Vestavia Hills

Area 8

*Coordinator: Brian Clayton
James Clemens*

Austin
Bob Jones
Florence
James Clemens

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