



BASEBALL

Coaches' Baseball Committee

(Listed By Districts)

(1) Kevin Raley, Robertsdale. (2) Jason Abercrombie, Northview. (3) Ben Ramer, Demopolis. (4) Wendall Jackson, Elmore County. (5) Lee Gann, Mountain Brook. (6) Chad Slaten, Childersburg. (7) Jonathan Pate, Gordo. (8) Mark Mincher, Huntsville.

The Championship Program

Pitchers Throw - Jan. 5 | 1st Team Practice - Jan 26 | 1st Contest - Feb. 16

New Online Requirements For All Sports

POSTING SCHEDULES

Schools must go online to the AHSAA website Member Section and enter season schedules for all sports by the deadline dates listed below for sports in each quarter. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$100 assessed to the school. Schools should go online and make any changes immediately as they occur.

Deadlines for entering schedules:

March 1-- fall sports (football, volleyball, cross country, swimming)

Sept. 15 --winter sports (wrestling, basketball)

Jan 15 -- spring sports (baseball, softball, outdoor track, soccer, golf and tennis)

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). Results must be posted no later than 30 minutes following a regular season contests. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$25 assessed to the school.

In the post-season playoffs, failure to report scores in the same manner will result in a \$100 fine assessed to the school.

Instructions will be posted on the AHSAA website Member Section.

1. The baseball program provides for competition in six classes--1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A.
2. Each high school is permitted 18 regular season playing dates plus two tournaments. Only 18 dates may be scheduled. One of the allowable tournaments must be held with no loss of school time. Other than the two allowable tournaments, a third tournament with no loss of school time may be scheduled with each game played counting as a playing date.

Each junior high or middle school is permitted 14 regular season playing dates plus two tournaments. Only 14 dates may be scheduled. One of the allowable tournaments must be held with no loss of school time. Other than the two allowable tournaments, a third tournament with no loss of school time may be scheduled with each game played counting as a playing date.

A tournament is defined as an organized competition in a sport that finally results in determining a champion. In baseball, tournaments using elimination and round-robin formats may be sanctioned. Tournaments must involve three or more teams and are usually played at one site.

A game starting at 5 p.m. or after is considered a night game. Games of a doubleheader are considered separately in determining day and night contests.

3. The Baseball Committee recommends that a team play a minimum of 12 regular season games prior to the playoffs.
4. All participants must be eligible under AHSAA rules. Any complaint regarding the eligibility of any student must be made to the State Office.

The East-West all-star baseball program, sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Alabama, is a sanctioned event. After a school's season is completed, senior members of that team may participate in the East-West program.

5. All six classes are divided into 16 areas. Championship play shall be on a play-at-home basis. Every school fielding a team must play in the championship program.
6. All games will be played under National Federation rules, including the following:

- (a) Pitching limitations apply for all regular and any violation of the following limitations will result in the forfeiture of the game and a fine of \$250:
 - (1) A player may pitch in a maximum of 14 innings per week (Sunday through Saturday for regular season, tournament and playoff games).
 - (2) A player may pitch in a maximum of seven innings in one day or over two consecutive calendar days, after which two consecutive calendar days of rest are required before being eligible to pitch again. A player's eligibility to pitch is not determined by the number of hours between pitching appearances.

Exception: The pitcher of record in a game tied at the end of regulation play may continue to pitch in that game on that day provided his total number of innings pitched for that day or for two consecutive days does not exceed 10 and his total number of innings pitched for that week does not exceed 14. If the game suspended at the end of regulation play is continued on the next day or another day, the pitcher of record at the time of suspension may not continue to pitch if his total number of innings pitched has reached seven on the day of suspension or over two consecutive calendar days. **(Note: Under no circumstances can a player pitch in more than 10 innings on any one day or over two consecutive days nor in more than 14 innings in one week.)**

- (3) A player may make two pitching appearances in one day or over two consecutive calendar days, after which two consecutive calendar days of rest are required before being eligible to pitch again. A player's eligibility to pitch is not determined by the number of hours between pitching appearances. (Note: An appearance is an official participation as a pitcher. An appearance is concluded upon the player's removal from the pitcher's position or by the conclusion of the game.)
- (4) Innings pitched in a game suspended for any reason will count on a player's pitching record for that week.
- (5) One pitch (legal or illegal) thrown in any inning will count as one inning pitched for the player making the pitch. Warm-up throws by a pitcher do not count on a player's record.
- (6) The coach of each team will be required to keep written pitching records in his team's scorebook. These records shall always be available for review upon request.

- (b) Metal cleats are permitted.
- (c) A 10-run rule will be used for all regular season and state playoff games. A game may 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.
- (d) The speed-up rules suggested in the National Federation Baseball Rules book may be used by one or both teams in each regular season or playoff game. The head coach of each team may choose for his team to use any, all or any part of the speed-up rules. During the pre-game conference each head coach must designate which speed-up rules his team will use.
- (e) All varsity games must be a regulation games (seven innings) unless lengthened or shortened under Rule 4-2-1 or the 10-run, mercy rule. By permission of the National Federation, five-inning games are allowed for non-varsity contests (B-Team, junior varsity, middle and junior high school). Games must be five innings to be official.
- (f) Time limits for games are not permitted.
- (g) A game halted for any reason, where a winner cannot be determined, or any game halted anytime due to mechanical failure (i.e., artificial lights, water systems, etc.) will be treated as a suspended game. If the game is to be completed, it will be continued from the point of suspension with the lineup and batting order of each team the same as the lineup and batting order at the moment of suspension, subject to the rules of the game.
- (h) If a game is halted when the umpire considers the weather or ground condition 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.
- (i) All non-wood bats shall meet the Ball Exit Speed Ratio (BESR) performance standard, and such bats shall be labeled with a silk screen or other permanent certification mark. (Note: No BESR label, sticker or decal will be permitted on any non-wood bat.)
- (j) Bats that are altered or that do not meet the rule specification are illegal. Bats that are broken, cracked or dented or that deface the ball, i.e., tear the ball, shall be removed without penalty. A bat that continually discolors the ball may be removed from the game with no penalty at the discretion of the umpire.
- (k) The commercially manufactured catcher's head, face and throat protection may be a one-piece or multi-piece design. The catcher's helmet and mask combination shall meet the NOCSAE standard and have the NOCSAE seal attached.
- (l) Any helmet or helmet and mask combination shall have full ear protection (dual ear flaps) and have the NOCSAE seal attached.
- (m) All balls used must have the NFHS Authenticating mark. Any brand of baseball that meets National Federation specifications may be used during non-area, regular season play. Wilson balls must be used in all championship play (area and playoff games).
- (n) Any player equipment judged by the umpire to be unreasonably dangerous is illegal.
- (o) For failure to touch a base (advancing or returning), or failure to tag up as soon as the ball is touched on a caught fly ball, the runner may be called out

- if an appeal is made by the defensive team.
- (p) A coach or player occupying the coaches' boxes shall remain in the box until the release of the ball by the pitcher if requested by the opposing coach. Once this request is made, it applies to both teams for the remainder of the game. (Rule 3-2-1).
 - (q) Whenever team members are loosening up in an area that is not protected by a fence or other structure, another member of the team with a glove must be positioned between them and the batter to protect them from a batted ball or thrown ball within the confines of the playing field. No one is to interfere with a "live" ball. (Rule 3-3-4)
 - (r) The penalty is now a ball if the pitcher brings the pitching hand in contact with the mouth without distinctly wiping off the pitching hand before it touches the ball. Previously the penalty for this infraction was a balk. (Rule 6-2-1e).
7. Schools must use AHSAA-registered umpires. The schedule of umpires' maximum fees and mileage for regular season games are:
- High school varsity--\$47 per official per contest
 - Junior Varsity--\$42 per official per contest
 - Grades 7-9--\$37 per official per contest
 - Mileage-58 cents per mile round trip (all levels). Mileage of 10 or less miles does not apply.
8. During a physical education period, free play is permitted and members of the school baseball team may throw a ball and use gloves, but there can be no organized practice. School facilities may not be used during the off-season for batting practice, etc.
9. The "throwing period" allowed prior to the regular team practice date is designed only for throwing. Only balls and gloves may be used.
10. Dates for state playoffs in all classes are as follows:
- Prior to April 13--Areas determine winners and runners-up
 - April 17-18, 24-25, May 1-2, 8-9--First, Second, Third Rounds & Semi-Finals (double elimination)
 - May 12-16--Finals (double elimination)
11. Evaluation Periods for all spring sports have been changed to a maximum five days in a consecutive 10-school day calendar period anytime during the first semester with all students allowed to participate.

Field Criteria

Any school hosting any area or state playoff game must provide a field that meets the requirements listed in the National Federation Baseball 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.

If the home team's field 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.

A field may have one or more of the following modifications in order to meet the requirements for hosting a state playoff game:

- (a) There is a minimum distance of 30 feet from the backstop to home plate. (The National Federation Rule Book specification is 60 feet.)
- (b) There is a minimum distance of 290 feet down the foul lines and a minimum of 340 feet to center field in addition to compliance with the fence height modification of Item (c) below. (The National Federation Rule Book specifications are a minimum 300 feet down the foul lines and a minimum 350 feet to center field.)
- (c) There is a minimum height of 10 feet for fences complying with the distance modifications of Item (b) above.

A field used by middle schools (seventh and eighth graders) may have the following modifications if opposing coaches agree: 80-foot bases, 54-foot mound distance and a minimum 275-foot fence distance from home plate

Special Playoff Rules

1. The Baseball Committee recommends that all host teams be at the game site at least an hour prior to game time.
2. In all state championship play (area and playoff games), use the following additional regulations for ending a game:
 - (a) If a game is called for any reason before a winner can be determined, such a game shall be considered a suspended game and shall be continued from the point of suspension at a later time. A winner must be determined.
 - (b) Regulation tie games shall be treated as suspended games and continued from the point of interruption with the same lineups and batting orders used at the time of suspension.
3. If a team should not have an opponent in any round, that team is not credited with a "time traveled" in that round.
4. If two teams from the same area meet, the highest finisher in the regular season area play will be the home team.
5. The host school shall provide an adequate playing facility. (The rental fee of a municipally-owned facility shall not exceed what is usually paid by the host

school for its regularly-scheduled games.)

If the host team's field is unplayable, it is the responsibility of the host team to secure another field that is playable. Any rained-out playoff game will be played on the first available date. Playoff games take precedence over all other games.

6. The State Office will assign officials for all five rounds of the playoff. Three umpires will be assigned for each game, but additional umpires may be assigned for some games, particularly in the semi-final and final rounds. The host school in each playoff game must pay the officials at the game site.

In the third and semi-final rounds of the playoff, additional mileage will be paid for any series that goes to a third game.

7. Wilson balls meeting the National Federation specifications must be used in all championship play (area and playoff games). Each team will furnish six new Wilson balls for each game in the first four rounds of the playoff. Balls (Wilson A1010 PRO-RS) will be furnished for the finals.

8. Each single elimination playoff game and best-of-three series shall stand on its own financially.

9. Admissions:

- a. Rounds 1, 2, 3 and 4 — \$8 for a doubleheader
— \$6 for a third game
- b. State Finals — \$10 per day

10. A financial report will be filed with the State Office by host schools in each of the first four rounds of the playoff.

- (a) Expenses will be paid from gate receipts, to the extent available, in the following order:

- (1) Taxes (state and local)
- (2) Umpires--(all rounds) -- \$53 per official per contest
Mileage--58 cents per mile round trip for one car. Mileage may be required for rained out games. Additional mileage will be paid for any series that goes to a third game.
- (3) Municipal facility, if necessary (Rental fee shall not exceed what is usually paid by the host school for its regularly-scheduled games.)
- (4) Trophies (final round only)

- (b) Net receipts after expenses will be divided as follows:

- (1) Visiting team travel (not to exceed 36 cents per mile round trip or 1/3 of net receipts in first four rounds and \$2.40 per mile/one way at state finals)
- (2) 1/3 of balance to host school
- (3) 1/3 of balance to visiting school
- (4) 1/3 of balance to AHSAA

11. The host school will handle and receive proceeds from concessions and programs.

12. A team still “alive” in the playoff is permitted to play a non-playoff game between rounds if it falls within its allotted 18 playing dates previously scheduled or postponed from the original schedule. A playoff team's season ends when it is eliminated from the playoff.

Area Playoff

DATE: The winner and runner-up of each area must be determined prior to April 13. Coaches of the winner and runner-up teams of each area must fax their first round game times and sites to the State Office (334-387-0075) as soon as they are determined and no later than 10 a.m. on Monday, April 13.

COORDINATOR'S RESPONSIBILITY: The designated coordinator of each area must have an organizational meeting of all area schools prior to Feb. 1 to finalize the area schedule and other details for area play, including setting up a procedure for making up area games.

FORMAT: Each team in the area must play each area opponent two regular season games (one at each school site) prior to April 13 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 champion and runner-up of an area 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 area winning percentage. All other head-to-head games will be considered non-area games (the same as games against non-area opponents) for tie-breaking purposes.

TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURE

In case of ties by two or more teams for a certain place in the final area (“required contest”) standings, follow the tie-breaking procedure and apply the tiebreakers in the order listed, beginning with (a).

1. Resolve all two-team ties first, using tiebreaking factor (a).
2. If two or more teams are tied for one of the qualifying places in a sport, first resolve the tie for the highest of those places in the standings, then the next highest place in the standings, etc.
3. To resolve the team rankings if more than two teams are tied, determine the highest-ranked team by applying the tiebreakers in the order listed, beginning with (aa). Until the highest-ranked team has been determined, no consideration will be given to determining the ranking of the other teams involved in that tie.
After the highest ranked team has been resolved, then the next highest-ranked team will be determined by applying the same tiebreakers, beginning with (a) or (aa) as necessary.
4. If a certain tiebreaker does not apply to the tie being resolved, apply the next tiebreaker in the order listed for that sport.

5. Forfeited contests count as losses. A team that intentionally forfeits a required game becomes ineligible for championship competition for the remainder of that classification period plus the next classification period in that sport
6. If two area, region or section teams elect to play each other more than the required number of contests during the same season, the first contest played (or first at each site if two are required in a sport) will be used in computing standings unless the State Office is otherwise notified in writing by both schools prior to the season. The other contest(s) will be treated as non-required contest(s).
7. Contests against teams that are not eligible for the championship program and contests in regular season tournaments are not used in figuring any tiebreakers.

If Two Teams Tie...

- (a)... The team that defeated the other its two required regular season contests will be placed above the other tied team. The team that lost its head-to-head contest(s) will qualify for the next highest place.
- (b)...and the two teams split their two regular season required contests, the team that had the highest winning percentage in any non- required contests against each other will be placed above the other tied team. The team with the lower percentage will qualify for the next highest place.
- (c)...and the two teams split their two regular season required contests, the team that had the highest winning percentage in any non-required contests against the other required teams. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required contests against any of the other "required teams.)
- (d)...and the two teams split their two regular season required contests, the team that had the highest winning percentage against all non-required common opponents in their class. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required teams in their class.)
- (e)...and the two teams split their two regular season required contests, the team that had the highest winning percentage against all non-required common opponents in their class and above. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required contests in their class and above.)
- (f)...and the two teams split their two regular season required contests, the team that had the highest winning percentage against all non-required common opponents. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required contests.)
- (g)By flip of a coin.

If More Than Two Teams Tie...

- (aa) ...the team that had the highest winning percentage against all the other tied teams will be placed ahead of all the other tied teams. (Note: If one of the teams does not have a higher winning percentage than all the other tied teams, the tie cannot be resolved by this factor.)
- (bb) ...the team that had the highest winning percentage in any non-required contests against each other will be ranked ahead of all the other tied teams. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required contests against all the other required teams.)

- (cc) ...the team that had the highest winning percentage in any non-required contests against the other required teams will be ranked ahead of all the other tied teams. (In order for this tiebreaker to apply, each tied team must have played the same number of non-required games against all the other required teams.)
- (dd) ...the team with the best winning percentage against non-required common opponents.
- (ee) ...the team whose defeated required opponents have the most victories.
- (ff) ...the team with the most victories if all teams involved in the tie play an equal number of total games.
- (gg) ...the team with the most victories.
- (hh) By flip of a coin

State Playoff

FIRST ROUND: The champions and runners-up in all areas will advance to the first round of play April 17-18 at the home site of the area winners according to a pre-drawn bracket for each class. Play is double elimination (best-of-three games).

All area runners-up will be visiting (traveling) teams in the first round.

The first and second games of each best-of-three series will be played as a doubleheader on the first day of the series. The host team will be the "home team" in the first game of the series and the traveling team will be the "home team" in the second game. A coin toss will determine the "home team" in the third game, if necessary.

Admission is \$8 for a doubleheader and \$6 for a third game.

Winning coaches must:

- (1) post their scores online at AHSAA.com as per instructions IMMEDIATELY after first-round games are completed and report their scores to a nearby daily newspaper IMMEDIATELY after the first-round games are completed, and
- (2) fax (334-387-0075) or email (staff@ahsaa.com) second-round game times and sites to the State Office by 10:00 a.m. Monday April 20.

SECOND ROUND: First round winners will advance to the second round April 24-25. Play is double elimination (best-of-three games).

Admission is \$8 for a doubleheader and \$6 for a third game.

The team that traveled in the first round will be the home team in the second round. If both teams traveled or neither team traveled, the team on the top of the bracket will be the home team for the second round.

The first and second games of each best-of-three series will be played as a doubleheader on the first day of the series. The host team will be the "home team" in the first game of the series and the traveling team will be the "home team" in the second game. A coin toss will determine the "home team" in the third game, if necessary.

Winning coaches must:

- (1) **post their scores online at AHSAA.com as per instructions IMMEDIATELY after second-round games are completed and report their scores to an nearby daily newspaper IMMEDIATELY after the second-round games are completed, and**
- (2) **fax (334-387-0075) or email (staff@ahsaa.com) third-round game times and sites to the State Office by 10:00 a.m. Monday April 28.**
- (3) **Submit a team picture (digital photo is preferred) and team tournament roster to the State Office by Thursday, May 1. Both will be available for possible use in the state finals program. (Digital photos should be emailed to staff@ahsaa.com.)**

THIRD ROUND: Second round winners will advance to the third round May 1-2. Play is double elimination (best-of-three games).

Admission is \$8 for a doubleheader and \$6 for a third game.

The team that traveled more times during the preceding rounds will be the home team in the third round. If travel (number of times) in previous rounds is the same, the team on the top of the bracket will be the home team in the third round. If two teams in the same area meet, the team with the highest finish in the area standings will be the home team.

The first and second games of each best-of-three series will be played as a doubleheader on the first day of the series. The host team will be the "home team" in the first game of the series and the traveling team will be the "home team" in the second game. A coin toss will determine the "home team" in the third game, if necessary.

Winning coaches must:

- (1) **post their scores online at AHSAA.com as per instructions IMMEDIATELY after third-round games are completed and report their scores to an nearby daily newspaper IMMEDIATELY after the third round games are completed, and**
- (2) **fax (334-387-0075) or email (staff@ahsaa.com) semifinal pairing game times and sites to the State Office by 10:00 a.m. Monday, May 4.**

SEMI-FINAL ROUND: Third round winners will advance to the semi-finals May 8-9. Play is double elimination (best-of-three games).

Admission is \$8 for a doubleheader and \$6 for a third game.

The team that traveled more times during the preceding rounds will be the host team in the semi-final round. If travel (number of times) in previous rounds is the same, the team on the top of the bracket will be the host team in the semi-final round.

The first and second games of each best-of-three series will be played as a doubleheader on the first day of the series. The host team will be the "home team" in the first game of the series and the traveling team will be the "home team" in the second game. A coin toss will determine the "home team" in the third game, if necessary.

Winning coaches must:

- (1) **post their scores online at AHSAA.com as per instructions IMMEDI-**

ATELY after semifinal games are completed and report their scores to an nearby daily newspaper IMMEDIATELY after the semifinal round games are completed.

State Finals

DATE: May 12-15

SITE: Montgomery—Riverwalk Stadium and Paterson Field

HOUSING COORDINATOR: Debo Clark, Collegiate Sports Travel, 334-469-5302.

FORMAT Semi-final round winners will play a double elimination (best-of-three games) round with a pre-set, schedule for each class.

The team that traveled more times during the preceding rounds will be the home team in the first game of the series. If travel (number of times) in previous rounds is the same, the team on the top of the bracket will be the "home team" in the first game. A coin toss will determine the "home team" in the third game, if necessary.

ADMISSION: \$10 per day

AWARDS: (a) Trophies to champion and runner-up teams in each class

(b) Plaque to Most Valuable Player in each class.

COACHES MEETING: Head coaches will have a mandatory coaches meeting prior to their first game each day. Times will be posted on the website. EVERY COACH must be certified and are subject to having their certified coaching credentials checked.

STATE FINALS SCHEDULE

(All series are best-of-three games with the first game played at Paterson Field and second and third, if necessary, at Riverwalk Stadium. The last team listed in each game pairing is the designated "home team".)

Tuesday, May 12

At Paterson Field: 4 p.m.—Class 1A Game 1
7 p.m.—Class 4A Game 1

Wednesday, May 13

At Riverwalk Stadium: 10 a.m.—Class 1A Game 2
1 p.m.—Class 1A Game 3 (if necessary)
4 p.m.—Class 4A Game 2
7 p.m.—Class 4A Game 3 (if necessary)

At Paterson Field: 4 p.m.—Class 2A Game 1
7 p.m.—Class 5A Game 1

Thursday, May 14

At Riverwalk Stadium: 10 a.m.—Class 2A Game 2
1 p.m.—Class 2A Game 3 (if necessary)
4 p.m.—Class 5A Game 2
7 p.m.—Class 5A Game 3 (if necessary)

At Paterson Field: 4 p.m.—Class 3A Game 1
7 p.m.—Class 6A Game 1

Friday, May 15

At Riverwalk Stadium: 10 a.m.—Class 3A Game 2
1 p.m.—Class 3A Game 3 (if necessary)
4 p.m.—Class 6A Game 2
7 p.m.—Class 6A Game 3 (if necessary)

Note: Game 3 of any series will begin 30 minutes after the completion of Game 2. If Game 3 of any series is not played, the scheduled time for the next game will remain the same. No adjustment of game times will be made if a series is completed in two games.

Area Alignment

CLASS 1A

AREA 1

COORDINATOR: Keith Cardwell
(J.U. Blacksher)
J.U. Blacksher
Frisco City
Fruitdale
J.F. Shields

AREA 2

COORDINATOR: Jim Garner
(Pleasant Home)
Georgiana
McKenzie
Pleasant Home

AREA 3

COORDINATOR: Terry Weeks
(Kinston)
Floralton
Geneva County
Kinston

AREA 4

COORDINATOR: Tony Stallworth
(Brantley)
Ariton
Brantley
Providence Christian

AREA 5

COORDINATOR: Stan Stokley
(Sweet Water)
Autaugaville
Billingsley
Sweetwater

AREA 6

COORDINATOR: Larry Raines
(Verbena)
Holy Spirit
Maplesville
Verbena

AREA 7

COORDINATOR: Jim Wilkerson
(Loachapoka)
Edward Bell
Loachapoka
Notasulga
Wadley

AREA 8

COORDINATOR: Joan Doyle
(Fayetteville)
Alabama School/Deaf
Donoho
Faith Christian
Fayetteville
Talladega County Central
Winterboro

AREA 15**COORDINATOR:** Ricky Bryant
(Fyffe)Fyffe
Ider
North Sand Mountain
Section**AREA 16****COORDINATOR:** Willie Joiner
(Lexington)Clements
Lexington
New Century
Tanner
Westminster Christian**CLASS 3A****AREA 1****COORDINATOR:** Donnie Rotch
(T.R. Miller)Bayside Academy
Choctaw County
Cottage Hill Christian
T.R. Miller**AREA 2****COORDINATOR:** Ricky Bennett
(Geneva)Daleville
Geneva
Slocomb
Wicksburg**AREA 3****COORDINATOR:** John Thomasson
(Straughn)Calhoun
Central-Hayneville
Luverne
Straughn**AREA 4****COORDINATOR:** Steve Williams
(Headland)Abbeyville
Dale County
Headland
Pike County**AREA 5****COORDINATOR:** Jim Tuley
(Trinity)Marbury
Montevallo
Montgomery Academy
Trinity
Loveless Magnet (LAMP)**AREA 6****COORDINATOR:** Jamie Chapman
(Gordo)Aliceville
Gordo
Green County
Sumter County**AREA 7****COORDINATOR:** Jerry Southwell
(Beulah)Beulah
B. B. Corner
Dadeville
LaFayette**AREA 8****COORDINATOR:** David Patrick
(Northside)Cordova
Northside
Sumiton Christian
West Blocton

AREA 9

COORDINATOR: Andrew Smith
 (Tarrant)
 Indian Springs
 Leeds
 Tarrant
 Walter Wellborn

AREA 11

COORDINATOR: Ronnie Miller
 (Hamilton)
 Carbon Hill
 Danville
 Hamilton
 Winfield

AREA 13

COORDINATOR: Kim Butler
 (Holly Pond)
 Brindlee Mountain
 Holly Pond
 Sardis
 Susan Moore

AREA 15

COORDINATOR: Vincent Aquila
 (Catholic)
 Elkmont
 Catholic Huntsville
 Madison Academy
 Randolph
 West Limestone

AREA 10

COORDINATOR: Moe Smith
 (Glencoe)
 Glencoe
 Piedmont
 Pleasant Valley
 Weaver
 White Plains

AREA 12

COORDINATOR: Anita Kilpatrick
 (Good Hope)
 Good Hope
 Hanceville
 J.B. Pennington
 Vinemont

AREA 14

COORDINATOR: John Kirby
 (Pisgah)
 Crossville
 New Hope
 Pisgah
 Sylvania

AREA 16

COORDINATOR: Jay Stejskal
 (Lauderdal Co.)
 Colbert County
 Colbert Heights
 Lauderdale County
 Sheffield
 West Morgan

CLASS 4A**AREA 1**

COORDINATOR: Ed Lathan
 (UMS-Wright)
 B. C. Rain
 Jackson
 UMS-Wright
 W. S. Neal

AREA 2

COORDINATOR: Jerry Browning
 (St. James)
 Ashford
 Brewbaker Tech
 Bullock County
 Opp
 Saint James

AREA 3
COORDINATOR: Daniel Shakespeare
(Andalusia)
Andalusia
Clarke County
Hillcrest, Evergreen
Thomasville

AREA 5
COORDINATOR: Denise Ainsworth
(Alabama Christian)
Alabama Christian
Elmore County
Holtville
Montgomery Catholic
B. T. Washington Magnet

AREA 7
COORDINATOR: Margo Gibson
(Jemison)
Bibb County
Calera
Holt
Jemison

AREA 9
COORDINATOR: Terry Roller
(Lincoln)
Anniston
Cleburne County
Lincoln
Saks

AREA 11
COORDINATOR: Radford Hester
(Fayette County)
Dora
Fayette County
Haleyville
West Point

AREA 13
COORDINATOR: Stanley Burden
(Fairview)
Columbia
Douglas
Fairview
Priceville

AREA 4
COORDINATOR: Don Ingram
(Dallas County)
Dallas County
Greensboro Public
Livingston
Southside, Selma

AREA 6
COORDINATOR: Anthony Wilkinson
(Childersburg)
Central, Coosa
Childersburg
Handley
Munford

AREA 8
COORDINATOR: Alan Pruden
(Oak Grove)
Corner
Midfield
Oak Grove
Ramsay

AREA 10
COORDINATOR: Keith Bender
(Oneonta)
Ashville
Locust Fork
Oneonta
Saint Clair County

AREA 12
COORDINATOR: Jeff Lassetter
(Hokes Bluff)
Alexandria
Cherokee County
Hokes Bluff
Jacksonville

AREA 14
COORDINATOR: Bill Wharton
(Guntersville)
DAR
Guntersville
North Jackson
Plainview

AREA 15
COORDINATOR: Dale Mathis
(Brooks)
Ardmore
Brooks
East Lawrence
Lawrence County

AREA 16
COORDINATOR: Tim Tubbs
(Rogers)
Central, Florence
Deshler
Rogers
Wilson

CLASS 5A

AREA 1
COORDINATOR: Gerry Strang
(St. Pauls)
Citronelle
Faith Academy
LeFlore
Saint Paul's

AREA 2
COORDINATOR: Eddie Tyler
(Gulf Shores)
Escambia County
Gulf Shores
Spanish Fort
Vigor

AREA 3
COORDINATOR: David Helms
(Charles Henderson)
Carroll
Eufaula
Charles Henderson
Rehobeth

AREA 4
COORDINATOR: Larry Turner
(Monroe County)
Greenville
Monroe County
Wilcox Central

AREA 5
COORDINATOR: Isaac Espy
(Demopolis)
Carver, Montgomery
Chilton County
Demopolis
Selma

AREA 6
COORDINATOR: Richard Brown
(Beuregard)
Beuregard
Tallassee
Valley
B. T. Washington

AREA 7
COORDINATOR: Tommy Porch
(Sylacauga)
Moody
Sylacauga
Talladega

AREA 8
COORDINATOR: Dan Buczek
(John Carroll)
Briarwood
Chelsea
John Carroll
Shelby County

AREA 9
COORDINATOR: Herb Ragsdale
(Central, Tuscaloosa)
Brookwood
Central, Tuscaloosa
Fairfield
McAdory

AREA 10
COORDINATOR: Regina Carr-Hunter
(Wenonah)
Carver, Birmingham
Parker
Wenonah
Woodlawn

AREA 11
COORDINATOR: Robert Harris
(Springville)
Erwin
Hayden
Mortimer Jordan
Pleasant Grove
Springville

AREA 12
COORDINATOR: Frances Couey
(Brewer)
Brewer
Cullman
Curry
Walker

AREA 13
COORDINATOR: Lowell Smith
(Boaz)
Albertville
Boaz
Etowah
Southside, Gadsden

AREA 14
COORDINATOR: Larry Morris
(Scottsboro)
Arab
Fort Payne
Madison County
Scottsboro

AREA 15
COORDINATOR: H. L. Noah
(Muscle Shoals)
Athens
Hartselle
Muscle Shoals
Russellville

AREA 16
COORDINATOR: Dennis Black
(East Limestone)
S. R. Butler
East Limestone
J. O. Johnson
Lee, Huntsville

CLASS 6A

AREA 1
COORDINATOR: Lewis Copeland
(Davidson)
Alma Bryant
Baker
Davidson
Theodore

AREA 2
COORDINATOR: Doug Estle
(Murphy)
Blount
Mary Montgomery
Murphy
Williamson

AREA 3

COORDINATOR: Beverly Thomas
(Fairhope)
Fairhope
Foley
Roberstdale

AREA 5

COORDINATOR: Rick Rainer
(Enterprise)
Dothan
Enterprise
Northview

AREA 7

COORDINATOR: Stan Cox
(Opelika)
Central, Phenix City
Opelika
Russell County
Smiths Station

AREA 9

COORDINATOR: Amanda Cassity
(Paul Bryant)
Hillcrest (Tuscaloosa)
Northridge
Paul Bryant
Tuscaloosa County

AREA 11

COORDINATOR: Randy McCarty
(Hueytown)
Hueytown
Jackson-Olin
Jess Lanier
Minor

AREA 4

COORDINATOR: Don Blanchard
(Daphne)
Baldwin County
Daphne
McGill-Toolen
Satsuma

AREA 6

COORDINATOR: Lee Hicks
(Prattville)
Jeff Davis
R. E. Lee
Prattville
Sidney Lanier

AREA 8

COORDINATOR: Cathy Long
(Auburn)
Auburn
Benjamin Russell
Stanhope Elmore
Wetumpka

AREA 10

COORDINATOR: Don Hulin
(Hoover)
Hoover
Oak Mountain
Pelham
Spain Park
Thompson

AREA 12

COORDINATOR: Vic Wilson
(Mountain Brook)
Gardendale
Homewood
Mountain Brook
Vestavia Hills

AREA 13

COORDINATOR: Jennifer Hogan
(Hewitt-Trussville)
Gadsden City
Hewitt-Trussville
Oxford
Pell City

AREA 15

COORDINATOR: Robbie Parker
(Bob Jones)
Austin
Bob Jones
Decatur
Florence
Sparkman

AREA 14

COORDINATOR: Jane Baker
(Shades Valley)
Clay-Chalkville
Huffman
Pinson Valley
Shades Valley

AREA 16

COORDINATOR: Leslie Esneault
(Huntsville)
Buckhorn
Grissom
Hazel Green
Huntsville

Baseball Playoff Bracket

ALL CLASSES

For the championship playoffs, the area champions and runners-up in each class will be paired in a 32-team bracket with positions in the brackets as follows:

April 17-18 April 24-25 May 1-2 May 8-9 May 12-15

