



REGION III SOFTBALL BYLAWS

Northern Lights Conference
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Section 1: Governing Rules

Softball competition in Region III will follow the guidelines established by the National Federation of State High Schools Association Softball rulebooks and all applicable rules and regulations established by ASAA and Region III.

Section 2: Season

The Alaska Schools Activities Association will determine the softball season.

Section 3: Scheduling

All participating member schools must compete within the designated Region III district. **A maximum 22 game schedule in one season, exclusive of post-season tournament play consists of a home-home schedule unless the game(s) is cancelled due to weather and other circumstances beyond the control of the school(s). In the event one or more schools in the district fails to complete their home and home schedule due to the above conditions, the offending school(s) will still be allowed to participate in the state qualifying process.**

Beginning with the 2005-06 season, the Northern Lights Conference will be comprised of : Homer, Kodiak, Seward, and Soldotna High School.

Each school within the division will play each other double headers on a home and away basis or 4 games at one site when playing against Kodiak (4 games vs. each team).

Section 4: State Tournament Qualification

Teams will qualify for state according to the following criteria in this priority order:

1. Best overall conference record of the twelve (12) games played
2. All regular season Head to Head Competition
3. Record against common opponents with teams within the division
4. Record against common opponents outside the region
6. Toss of a Coin.

All ties will be broken by the Region III Board in person or by conference call with the schools involved. The Board member will designate a team "heads" based on the first letter of the school in alphabetical order, and the other team "tails" before flipping the coin. Final team seeding will be faxed to all teams by the tournament director.

Section 5: State Tournament Team Rosters

ASAA has set the final tournament roster at eighteen (18)

Section 6: Trophies/Awards

The trophies and awards will be purchased by the Region III, and the costs will be shared by the teams involved. There will be a team award for 1st place, along with individuals medals (18) for the team.

Section 7: All - Conference Team Selection

Prior to the end of the season, each head coach will submit names of players for consideration of an all - conference team based on that team's final standing in over-all conference competition to the Region III Secretary:

Team(s) finishing first will get 5 nominations

Team(s) finishing second will get 4 nominations

Team(s) finishing third or fourth will get 3 nominations

At the conclusion of the season (or at the region coaches meeting), the head coaches may then vote for ten (10) athletes from the list of nominations. Results of the voting will be determined as follows:

First Team = the ten (10) athletes receiving most votes.

Second Team = any athlete receiving a vote

Honorable Mention = any athlete nominated

The Region III Secretary will supervise the voting and counting of ballots. Should any discrepancies arise, the Board has the option of nullifying the vote and conducting a revote. In this case, a letter to the Region III President and the principal of the offending school will follow.

