

STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

PRE-GAME SEQUENCE

COIN TOSS TIME SCHEDULE

A coach and/or player representative shall meet with Mike Stanley or Tom Kinseth at the CONCESSION BUILDING BY PRACTICE DIAMOND #4 at the following times on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. On Wednesday teams playing on Dodger, Veterans, and Yankee diamonds will do the coin flips down at the Gazebo between Veterans and Dodger. Teams playing on BVU diamond and Diamond 1 will continue to have the coin flip at the concession building by practice diamond #4.

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday

11:00 Game 10:00 Coin Flip
11:30 Game 10:30 Coin Flip
1:00 Game 12:00 Coin Flip
1:30 Game 12:30 Coin Flip
3:00 Games 2:00 Coin Flip
3:30 Games 2:30 Coin Flip
5:00 Games 4:00 Coin Flip
5:30 Games 4:30 Coin Flip
7:00 Games 6:00 Coin Flip
7:30 Games 6:30 Coin Flip

Tuesday Consolation Games

9:00 Game 8:00 Coin Flip
9:30 Game 8:30 Coin Flip

Wednesday Schedule at the Gazebo between Dodger and Vet

10:00 Games (5)	9:00 Coin Flip
12:00 Games (5)	11:00 Coin Flip
2:00 Games (5)	1:00 Coin Flip
4:00 Games (5)	3:00 Coin Flip

Friday Schedule

9:30 4A Consolation Final	8:30 Coin Flip
10:00 4A Championship	9:00 Coin Flip
11:30 5A Consolation Final	10:30 Coin Flip
12:15 5A Championship	11:15 Coin Flip
1:30 1A Consolation Final	12:30 Coin Flip
2:30 1A Championship	1:30 Coin Flip
3:30 2A Consolation Final	2:30 Coin Flip
4:45 21A Championship	3:45 Coin Flip
5:30 3A Consolation Final	4:30 Coin Flip
7:00 3A Championship	6:00 Coin Flip

* Failure to appear at the scheduled time will result in your team being declared the loser of the coin flip.

**One game ball will be provided to you at the coin toss for your pitcher to warm up with. Please return this ball to the umpire at your pregame meeting.

LINE-UP CARDS

Two (2) line-up cards from each team **MUST** be turned in at the time of the coin flip. A copy of the original line-up card is acceptable. Please make sure that whoever represents your school has these cards. One card will be provided to the opposing team and the other to the official scorer.

TIME SEQUENCE

10 Minutes before the first game of each session - Coaches meet with umpires at home plate to discuss ground rules. In all subsequent games of that session, this meeting will take place 10 minutes before the scheduled game time or as soon as the field is ready for play and the umpires are ready, if later than the scheduled time.

5 Minutes before the first game of each session - Introductions. For all subsequent games, introductions will take place immediately following the pre-game meeting at home plate. Teams shall be lined up along the first and third base line in foul territory. The non-starters will line up from first or third base toward home plate from low number to high number. Assistant coach(s) will be next. The starting line-up, as per the batting order, is next, followed by the head coach (nearest to home plate). Please be careful to not smear the foul lines during the introductions and shaking hands with the opposing team players. Any other managers, statisticians, ball boy/girl, etc. shall remain in the dugout.

2 Minutes before the first game of each session - National Anthem.

Following National Anthem - First Pitch.

Immediately following your game, please remove your equipment from the dugout so the next teams may prepare for their game.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WARM-UP

All warm-up (excluding pitching) must be inside the diamond fences or in the bullpen area. There shall be no throwing in the spectator area. ALL PITCHING WARM-UP OR OTHER WARM-UP DURING THE GAME SHALL BE DONE IN THE BULLPEN AREA. No pitching warm-up is allowed on the actual diamond. Reminder - anyone (non-adult) warming up the pitcher must wear the appropriate catcher's mask, etc.

All batting practice will be on the practice diamond, or Fort Dodge High School or Fort Dodge St. Edmond field. No infield is allowed on the game diamond. Warm-up on the game diamonds will be on the grass areas only. Infield can be taken earlier on the practice diamonds. No one will be allowed inside the baseball diamond. No game will begin prior to the published starting time. If we are later than the scheduled time, the next game will begin in approximately 10 minutes.

PRACTICE FIELD PROTOCOL

Teams may practice on Fields 4, 5, 6, 7, Dodger, and Veterans until 10:00 AM on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Any team playing a morning game shall have priority in order of their playing time scheduled. Teams playing in the 11:00 and 11:30 games may use the practice fields from 10:00-11:30. Teams playing in the 1:00 and 1:30 games may use the practice fields from 12:00-1:30. Teams playing in the 3:00 and 3:30 games may use the practice field from 2:00-3:30. Teams playing in the 5:00 and 5:30 games may use the practice fields from 4:00-5:30. Teams playing in the 7:00 and 7:30 games may use the fields from 6:00-7:30.

DUGOUT ASSIGNMENT

The team listed on the top line of the bracket will occupy the third base dugout. The team listed on the bottom of the bracket will occupy the first base dugout.

TEAM AWARDS

Awards presentations will take place after each team's final game of the tournament. Teams should gather in front of their dugout after shaking hands **AND BE READY TO COME OUT TO ACCEPT THEIR AWARDS.**

TEAM PARTY & PASS GATE

The team party (including players, managers, statisticians, trainers, coaches, etc.) of 28 maximum will be admitted into the park. You may have as many players suited within the 28 as you desire.

Any time your team is entering the complex (whether playing or watching), you must enter through the PASS GATE. This Pass Gate is located on the north side of the complex immediately west of the main spectator admission entrance (under the scoreboard on Diamond 1). A coach must accompany the team when entering, and the entire team must enter together as a group. Remember that your team travel party is limited to 28 total people.

SPECIAL AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

The 100-game winners will be presented prior to the 2A Game on Thursday. Jack North winner will be presented prior to the 1:30 game on Diamond 2. The Hall of Fame recipients will be presented prior to the 1A game on Diamond 1 on Thursday. Distinguished Coach will be prior to the first game on Friday. The teams playing in the game immediately to

follow shall be warmed up and in the dugouts for these presentations. Introductions will follow immediately after the presentations.

WEDNESDAY CONSOLATION GAMES

All Wednesday consolation games will use a 90-minute time limit and the international tie-breaker rule (8th inning). If the score is tied and the 90 minutes have elapsed, the international tie-breaker will begin with the next inning. **This will include the Friday consolation final games.**