

WIAA WEDNESDAY

MARCH 20, 2024



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WELCOME



- Let's be thankful for
 - No snow on the ground delaying spring sports
 - COVID not being a daily discussion
 - A majority of school levies passing
- We hope to see all of you at WSSAAA's state conference

BOARD ACTION

Slowpitch bats and ball approved for 2024 fall season.



All Games



Adult Fast Pitch/All Slow Pitch



FEATURES

- Optic yellow synthetic cover with red stitching.
- Fire power core.
- USA Softball certified.
- COR .52, MAX 300 lbs.
- Size: 11", 12"
- Sold in dozens.
- Model # USA300YS (12") / USA300YS11 (11")

Slowpitch season will begin on Monday, August 26 (same day as all other fall sports except football.) State Championships will be October 25-26 at Gateway Park, Yakima.

BOARD ACTION



25.1.1 Equitable entry policy changes for 2024-25 and 2025-26 allocations.

Number of schools	Number of State Tournament Entries
84+	24
68-83	20
44-67	16
30-43	12
18-29	8
17 or less	Combined with the smallest classification above or below.

BOARD ACTION



State Cheerleading will be on a floating date to coincide with semester break at Battle Ground High School. Next year on January 24-25, 2025.

Approved handbook editorial changes will be posted with the handbook.

Girls Flag Football and Special Olympics will be considered separate and distinct sports, which means that school coaches can also coach girls flag and/or Special Olympics teams.

AMENDMENT PROCESS/UPDATES



Corrected alternate season dates on Amendment #25

Positions taken by the advisory groups are being shared with Rep Assembly members and makers of the amendments.

Transfer Amendment Committee (JK/JJ)

Voting timeline - May 1-10 (Updated) - If approved go into effect: August 1, 2024.

October 11, 2024 due date for 2024-25 amendments - it is never too early to start the process!

FINAL WINTER EVENT - DANCE/DRILL



State Dance/Drill this weekend!

73 schools
151 performances

SPRING SPORTS



ENTERING SCORES INTO ARBITER

PLEASE SET THE GAME TYPE TO “SCRIMMAGE” IN ARBITER FOR JAMBOREES SO THOSE SCORES DO NOT IMPACT LEAGUE STANDINGS OR RPI.

SPRING SEEDING COMMITTEES

WILL MEET VIA ZOOM ON SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 9:00 AM

SEEDING COMMITTEE ROSTERS WILL BE SENT TO LEAGUE PRESIDENTS TO VERIFY.

SPRING SPORTS - Baseball



STATE SITES

1B & 2B - Johnson-O'Brien Stadium, Ephrata

1A & 2A - Joe Martin Stadium, Bellingham - contact Stephanie Morrell for lodging
stephanie@bellingshambells.com by May 3 for best rates

3A & 4A - GESA Stadium, Pasco

Email cadsit@wiaa.com if you are interested in
hosting opening round baseball (three (3) games) on
Saturday, May 18, 2024.

SPRING SPORTS - Baseball



1B, 2B - both are 12-entry brackets

The 2023 participating schools were surveyed, superintendents verified the survey results, and the WIAA Executive Board approved.

First round games will be played on Tuesday, May 14, at approved home sites.

Teams seeded #1, #2, #3, #4 will have a first round bye.

Winners of first round games will play a single game on Saturday, May 18, at approved home sites.

The four winning teams will play on Friday, May 24; consolation and championship games will be on Saturday, May 25 in Ephrata.

SPRING SPORTS - Soccer and Softball



SOCCER STATE SITES

1A & 2A - Renton Memorial Stadium

3A & 4A - Sparks Stadium

SOFTBALL STATE SITES

1B & 2B - Gateway Park (Yakima)

1A & 4A - Columbia Playfields (Richland)

2A - Carlon (Selah)

3A - RAC (Lacey)

SPRING SPORTS - Track & Field



STATE TRACK SITES

1A/2B/1B - Zaepfel Stadium at Eisenhower HS

Approved for 2025-2028

4A/3A/2A - Mt. Tahoma HS

Approved for 2025-2028

SPRING SPORTS - Track & Field



STATE INFORMATION

Postseason SOP's are posted

Qualifying Standards posted

Site Schedules posted

Para-Athlete Authorization Form - Deadline April 1

Unified Authorization Form - Deadline April 1

Unified and Para events should be held at District Meets

Book lodging - consider alternatives

SPRING SPORTS



REMINDERS -

- EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN / AED on SITE
- GAMES COMMITTEE
- CROWD CONTROL / SUPERVISION
- CONTEST INTERRUPTION
- OFFICIALS CAMERAS

COACHES EDUCATION - Coaches School



SAVE THE DATE

Coaches School content continues to be available through April 30, 2024 for the 2023-24 academic year.

May 1, 2024 will begin the cycle for 2024-25.

Over 4,500 coaches have completed Coaches School.
700 completed between January and March!

COACHES EDUCATION - Implementation Plan (if passed)



2024-25 School Year:

- All first year or second year coaches of a WIAA member school would need to take *Foundations of Coaching: Developing Youth through Sport* and *Foundations of Coaching: Centering Student-Athlete Needs*
 - Both classes will be at no charge
 - Both classes will be available on 247ed and automatically transferred to FinalForms
- All coaches with two or more years of experience coaching at a WIAA member school would be exempted from taking the two new courses.
 - ADs would need to physically manually mark each coach unless the coach chooses to take the courses
 - We highly recommend every coach take both classes
- Both courses will be included in Coaches' School in an attempt to allow all coaches to take the courses as well as independently available for no cost
- Barring other amendments successfully passing, all coaches entering their 3rd year of coaching would be required to meet the existing requirements detailed in Handbook rule 23.5.0

COACHES EDUCATION - Continued...



2025-26 School Year:

- All first year coaches of a WIAA member school would need to take *Foundations of Coaching: Developing Youth through Sport*
- Both courses will be included in Coaches' School
 - Barring other amendments successfully passing, all coaches entering their 3rd year of coaching would be required to meet the existing requirements detailed in Handbook rule 23.5.0

2026-27 School Year:

- All first year coaches of a WIAA member school would need to take *Foundations of Coaching: Developing Youth through Sport*
- All second year coaches of a WIAA member school would need to take *Foundations of Coaching: Centering Student-Athlete Needs*
- Both courses will be included in Coaches' School
 - Barring other amendments successfully passing, all coaches entering their 3rd year of coaching would be required to meet the existing requirements detailed in Handbook rule 23.5.0

FINAL FORMS



- Renewal Process began March 1
- Other Updates

FALL WORKSHOPS



- Moses Lake - Specific Site TBD - August 15
- Spokane - Specific Site TBD - August 16
- Tumwater High School - August 20
- Arlington High School - August 22
- Sammamish High School - August 27
- Mt. Tahoma High School - August 28

HANDBOOK REMINDERS



7-on-7 football is considered to be football, so your coaches cannot coach any of the students from your school until the summer (May 26.)

If you believe it should be considered a separate sport, the deadline date for amendments is October 11. The implementation date could begin immediately after the voting period ends.

DATES TO REMEMBER

WIAA Hall of Fame Luncheon - May 8, 2024

Renton Pavilion

Purchase your tickets early!



WIAA WEDNESDAYS 8-9 AM



MAY 8

JUN 5

Register in the MyWIAA AD Center
mywiaa.wiaa.com/ad-center

Questions...?



Now is your moment...

THANK YOU!



**We Appreciate working with
you!**