



NJCAA REGION 16 SPORT CODES

Softball – Division I

- A. **Selection of Chair:** Region XVI Director names chair and selects committee.
- B. **Selection of Coach of the Year:** The Region 16 Coach of the Year will be voted upon by the coaches association at the conclusion of each playing season. The coach selected will receive a plaque. In the case of a tie in the voting, the coach (of the two) with the highest region tournament finish will receive the honor and the plaque.
- C. **Region Tournament:**
Selection of region competition host: The host is determined by a blind draw that is done every 7 years. The upcoming hosts are as follows;
- 2017-Three Rivers
 - 2018-Crowder
 - 2019-MCC
 - 2020-St. Charles
 - 2021-Jefferson
 - 2022-State Fair
 - 2023-North Central
- D. The Region Tournament will be held at a neutral site agreed upon by the majority of the region coaches present at the summer Region Meeting. Coaches meeting will be prior to Region tournament play, Thursday night.
- E. Region Tournament Seeding will be determined by overall region record.
1. The week before the Region Tournament (Beginning Monday and ending Wednesday) must be left open to be used for rainouts.
 2. If Region contests cannot be made up before the beginning of Region Tournament, region winning percentage will be used to determine seeding. A minimum of 22 games must be played.
 3. If the home institution of a regular season contest cannot host due to weather or unforeseen circumstances, they must be willing to travel to the

visitor institution in an effort to complete the originally scheduled game.

- F. All scheduled regional games must be completed on or before the Sunday prior to the start of the Regional Tournament.
- G. Host responsibilities include:
 - 1. Providing a program for the tournament which includes, at the very least, a roster for each participating team and a bracket for tournament play. Seven team field bracket (same bracket used the during the 2017 season).
 - 2. Host school is responsible for scheduling and cover the cost of the Athletic Trainer with an AED machine. This individual will be required to stay through the duration of the tournament.
 - 3. If the predetermined host refuses to fulfill their duties as regional tournament host that college's softball team will not be eligible for post season competition the following year.
 - 4. A pass list needs to be sent to the host school on the Monday before tournament begins.
 - 5. Host institution staff member must stay throughout duration of tournament.
- H. Seeding: Seeding for the regional tournament will be determined by:
 - 1. Region record-designated region games (home and away)
 - 2. Head to Head region games.
 - 3. Runs allowed in head to head (Region XVI designated games. (with a maximum runs allowed of 10)
 - 4. Flip of Coin
 - 5. No more than 3 games will be played by one team in one Day.
- J. The higher seed in each game, prior to the championship game will have the option of choosing whether they will be the home or visitors prior to each game.
- K. A coin flip will be used to determine who will be the home and away teams during the championship game and the "if necessary" game.
- L. School must declare to participate.

- M. Officials will be scheduled by the Region XVI Director of the Women's Division.
- N. Site selection: Refer to b. above.
- O. Game balls for the tournament will be provided 2 balls from each school for the 1st round, 1 ball from each school from then on. (Balls must be NJCAA provided).
- P. Pre-Tournament Practice will be allowed if the host facility has availability. Preference will be given in order of tournament seeding for practice times. Ex: #1 Seed will have first choice for practice time.
- Q. Filming of opponents games is not permissible.
- R. Financial Arrangements: Umpires are pro-rated by the games.
- S. Must schedule home and away games during the spring semester with Region XVI Div. I softball teams. These games will be used for seeding for the regional tournament.
- T. **Award Policy:** First place for Region XVI is highest finish in the tournament. Region champion is given one team award and up to 24 individual awards. A Runner-Up team award will be given.
- U. **All Region Selection:** Players from Region XVI will be eligible for awards. Coaches will nominate players via email or fax one week prior to the tournament.
 - 1. There will be 18 total All Region Awards divided as follows:
 - 5- Pitchers
 - 5- Infield
 - 4- Outfield
 - 2-Catchers
 - 1- Utility
 - 1- Player of the Year
 - 2. Any player that receives at least one vote will receive 2nd Team All Region honors and will receive a certificate.
 - 3. No player may win more than one award excluding the Player of the Year.
 - 4. Players nominated for the Utility award must meet the following requirements;

- a. Play at least 2 positions in 2 of the 3 main voting categories (Pitcher, Infielder, Outfielder, Catcher)
- b. Play at least 35% of her innings at the secondary position.

- 5. All-Tournament Team: Coaches will select an All-Tournament Team at the Regional Tournament that will consist of two players from each team. Certificates should be mailed out after the tournament to the colleges who had All-Tournament Team players. The Host College AD will send the All-Tournament certificates to each institution.

V. **All-American Nominations:** Only players awarded All Region honors are considered for All American honors. Stats must be updated on the NJCAA website to be eligible.

W **Code of Conduct:** As appears in the NJCAA Handbook.

X. Any and All Neutral site locations must supply the following to be eligible for consideration as a Neutral site location: Scorekeeper, Public Announcer, Security, Concessions, Water and cups for dugouts and Grounds crew and materials need for the field.

Y. Regional tournament picnic-the host college will be responsible for the cost of the picnic-host college may use gate money to offset expenses.

Z. **SOFTBALL COMMITTEE:**
Regional Director-Darren Pannier
AD LIAISON-Brian Bess
Coach Chair-Tony Cook

Committee Members:

- 1. Tony Cook (Jefferson)
- 2. John Sisemore (Crowder)
- 3. Kary Kankey (Maple Woods)
- 4. Jeff Null (Three Rivers)
- 5. Michelle Patrico (St. Charles)
- 6. Steve Richman (North Central)
- 7. Lyndsey Talbot (State Fair)

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