

Baseball Coach Specific Info/State Tournament

Baseball Coach Information

- 2019 AIA Boys Baseball Official Start of Practice Date
 - Monday, February 4th, 2019 for all schools
 - **All players, in order to participate in any tryout or practices must be fully cleared by your athletic directors office to participate**

Baseball Coach Information

- Baseball Coach specific information is posted throughout the year on the AIAonline.org website.
 - <http://aiaonline.org/sports/baseball>
 - Included are:
 - Updates on NFHS rules
 - State Tournament Guide for coaches/administrators
 - Changes to any AIA policies/procedures that are baseball specific

- AIAonline.org Coach Baseball specific website (Continued)
 - AIA MaxPreps Roster and Stats Instructions-link
 - Region/Conference AIA Player/Coach Recognition process instructions
 - Current AIA Baseball Sports Advisory Committee members
 - Postings of past AIA Baseball Sports Advisory Committee Meeting minutes and future meeting agendas

AIA Policies/Procedures; Article 21 for Baseball

- **Each baseball coach, regardless of team level should know and understand their Association policies/procedure for their sport.**

Key policies/procedure for Boys Baseball

- * **Article 21.2.3 – Season of sport (start of official tryouts, practices, competition)**
- * **Article 21.3 – Pre-season interschool scrimmage**
- * **Article 21.5.3/21.5.3.1 – Player game limit for regular season**
 - **Regular season competition, not invitationals or state**
- * **Article 19.3.1/21.1.3 – Removing team from the field prior to completion of a game (subjects the entire program to discipline)**

AIA Policies/Procedures; Article 21.5 Baseball Pitch Count Policy

- **Article 21.1.5 – Protocol for Compliance**
 - **<http://aiaonline.org/files/16578/compliance-protocol-for-arizona-pitch-smart-guideline-limits.pdf>**

Pitchers Log

- **<http://aiaonline.org/files/15723/aia-baseball-arizona-pitch-smart-pitching-log.pdf>**

- **Article 21.7.1./21.7.3 Coaching outside of the AIA season of sport**
 - **Need approval of your district to insure liability coverage for yourself and students you coach**
 - **Need approval of your district to utilize district space (field)(batting cage) and school owned equipment**

AIA Bylaw; Article 14.4 – Non-school Participation

- **Player awareness**
- **A student who is a member of a school team shall not practice or compete with any other group, club, organization, association, etc., in that sport during the interscholastic season of competition.**
 - **Private (one on one lessons) are allowed.**

AIA State Boys Baseball Related

- State Tournament Qualifying Criteria for Boys Baseball
- Each Conference has it's own qualifying criteria
- Go to the following AZPreps365.com link
 - <http://www.azpreps365.com/championships/baseball>

AIA State Baseball General Tournament Information for Coaches/Administrators:

- <http://www.azpreps365.com/championships/baseball>
- AIA State Baseball Brackets Posting
- <http://www.azpreps365.com/brackets/baseball>

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AIA State Boys Baseball Neutral Playoff Sites

- **1A/2A – Rounds #1/#2/#3 of State Tournament is held at the Goodyear Baseball Complex**
- **3A – Rounds #1/#2/#3 of State Tournament is held at the Surprise Baseball Complex**
- **4A/5A/6A Neutral site games will be played at either Tempe Diablo Stadium or Mesa Hohokam Stadium**
 - **If a game is an all Southern Arizona contest, the game may move to Tucson pending site availability/TV contracts.**

AIA State Baseball Related

- **1A/2A Championship at Tempe Diablo Stadium**
 - **Monday, May 13, 2019**
- **3A/4A Championship at Mesa Hohokam Stadium**
 - **Monday, May 13, 2019**
- **5A/6A Championship at Tempe Diablo Stadium**
 - **Tuesday, May 14, 2019**