



TO: High School Principals and Baseball Coaches
FROM: Grant Gower, Assistant
SUBJECT: 2024 Class 2A Spring Baseball District Assignments
DATE: April 12, 2024

District Tournaments in Class 2A must be completed no later than Saturday, April 27, 2024. The tournament dates must be decided by mutual agreement and shall be played in one, two or three consecutive days unless weather conditions dictate otherwise. A list of the teams that make up the district assignments is below.

1. **The district chairman will be the principal or his/her designee of the first school listed in each district. The district tournament chairman shall call a meeting or arrange a telephone conference call of the schools assigned to his/her district on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 and no later than Friday, April 19, 2024. At this meeting or conference call the following details must be covered.**
 - a. **Coaches are required to submit their team record through April 16 to the district meeting chairman prior to the district meeting.**
 - b. **For seeding purposes, teams will include their record of wins and losses through Tuesday, April 16, 2024.**
 - c. **No games will be counted for the purpose of rating or seeding for the baseball playoffs if the games are less than a complete game according to National Federation baseball rules. The run rule for all play-off games is ten (10) after five innings.**
 - d. **Tied percentage records shall be decided by a coin toss. A minimum of fifteen (15) games played will be required for seeding purposes.**
 - e. **Umpires from the OSSAA List of Eligible Officials should be agreed upon by the competing schools. The list is available on-line on the membership site. Two umpires are to be used in each game. Umpires are to be paid \$85 per game plus, game officials mileage will be reimbursed at \$0.65/mile for each round trip. Umpires should be selected within a reasonable distance of the tournament site. No more than two umpires are to be used in district and regional tournaments.**
2. This is a double elimination district tournament. Refer to the 2023-2024 OSSAA Baseball Manual page 9 for bracketing information. **Two team** – Teams shall play best two of three series. A doubleheader should be scheduled at the host site. The “if necessary game” would be scheduled for the following day. **(Three games may be played in one day should both teams agree.)**
3. The OSSAA would encourage teams involved to work cooperatively with other schools if the majority wish to change the tournament times and dates.
4. Teams are restricted to a ten (10) minute time limit during all playoff games for infield practice. Teams are also restricted to their dugout area while the opposing team is taking infield practice.
5. There cannot be a suspended game after completing 5 innings of play. Example: Home Team 4 Visitors 3 when inclement weather causes the game to be stopped and which cannot be resumed. This will be recorded as a completed ball game.
6. It is recommended the host school charge \$7.00 for adults and students to defray expenses. The host school shall furnish the game balls and umpires. Wilson is the official ball for all OSSAA baseball playoff contests. Tickets will not be sent for district play. Trophies will be shipped from MTM Recognition Company by FedEx.

7. District winners must phone the association office (405) 840-1116 after completion of their district providing their record and other important information. **If the office is closed text Grant Gower, 405-642-4521. Board policy requires scores from all playoff games be entered on the OSSAA Rankings site within 24 hours of the games completion.**
8. Each coach is responsible for knowing the pitching rule. Refer to 2023-2024 OSSAA Baseball Manual, page BA5-6, paragraph IV, sub-paragraph A, B, C, D and E.
***In district and regional tournaments a Designated Pitch Count Recorder shall be designated by the host school (DPCR). (At the state level, OSSAA will provide a DPCR.)**
 1. **During the game, pitch counts will be recorded by the DPCR and are to be reviewed between innings. Any discrepancy shall be settled by the DPCR without umpire involvement and that record shall be considered final.**
 2. **A protest over a discrepancy in pitch counts discovered in a later inning from an earlier inning in the game will not be permitted due to end of inning verification.**
 3. **At game's conclusion both head coaches or designated representatives will verify pitch count in the official book.**
 4. **Any discrepancy found after the game will be reported to the OSSAA.**
 5. **The use of a pitcher not eligible to pitch by the pitch count restrictions shall constitute the use of an ineligible player and result in contest forfeiture and a one-game suspension for the head coach. Only OSSAA may declare a forfeit.**
9. The official scorer should have the coach sign the scorebook at the end of each game if their team will be playing another game in the tournament. The OSSAA will be the only one who can declare a forfeit.
10. The OSSAA reserves the right to move playoff tournaments to an adequate and available field if weather delays the tournament.
11. **The 32 remaining teams after District play will rank the remaining teams for Regional Tournaments, with Class A-B having their rankings submitted by noon on April 21, 2024 and Class 2A having their rankings submitted by noon on April 28, 2024.**
12. The regional assignments will be made and released on April 29, 2024. The regional tournaments will be held on May 2, 3, 4.
13. The host school manager shall immediately contact the visiting schools concerning umpires to be employed for the tournament. The visiting schools shall contact the host manager concerning the assignment of umpires. These contacts must be made as quickly as feasible after pairings are released from the OSSAA.
14. Teams listed on top of the bracket will occupy the third base dugout. A coin toss will determine home and visiting team.

VIDEO LIVE STREAMING

The NFHS Network owns the video rights for all OSSAA Playoff events. Any group or person (student group, booster club, parent, fan, media, etc) wishing to video live stream and/or televise an OSSAA playoff contest, regardless of length or where it is shown (**school website, YouTube, social media, GameChanger, etc**), must fill out the 2023-24 **Baseball Video Live Streaming Agreement** form found on the OSSAA website **on the Baseball page** and send it in for approval **by noon on Monday prior to the event taking place**. Failure to fill out the form for approval will result in being charged the full amount plus \$100 in the first

round of the playoffs, the full amount plus \$200 for the second round of the playoffs, the full amount plus \$300 for the third round of the playoffs, etc. Please e-mail all requests to vsiven@ossaa.com. A link with all approved video live streams will be posted on the OSSAA website at least 24 hours before the contests take place.

2024 Spring Baseball District Pairings
Host Site is Listed First and Underlined

CLASS 2A

<u>OKTAHA</u>	HOBART
<u>CASHION</u>	CHELSEA
<u>PRESTON</u>	PAWNEE
<u>DALE</u>	WEWOKA
<u>WISTER</u>	MEEKER
<u>LATTA</u>	HEALDTON
<u>CALERA</u>	OKEMAH
<u>PANAMA</u>	MINCO
<u>DIBBLE</u>	NOWATA
<u>KETCHUM</u>	TEXHOMA/GOODWELL
<u>CRESCENT</u>	VANOSS
<u>COALGATE</u>	MANGUM
<u>WALTERS</u>	RIVERSIDE
<u>WYNNEWOOD</u>	MOUNDS
<u>VIAN</u>	STRATFORD
<u>HARTSHORNE</u>	PAWHUSKA
<u>STROUD</u>	COLBERT
<u>DAVIS</u>	NEWKIRK
<u>MORRISON</u>	HOWE
<u>HASKELL</u>	HAWORTH
<u>WILBURTON</u>	COLCORD
<u>CHOUTEAU-MAZIE</u>	ELMORE CITY-PERNELL
<u>CHRISTIAN HERITAGE</u>	HINTON
<u>FAIRVIEW</u>	FAIRLAND
<u>WYANDOTTE</u>	QUAPAW
<u>AFTON</u>	OKLAHOMA UNION
<u>CANEY VALLEY</u>	HOOKER
<u>TONKAWA</u>	POCOLA
<u>HULBERT</u>	CENTRAL (SALLISAW)
<u>WARNER</u>	WATONGA
<u>HENNESSEY</u>	MERRITT
<u>SAYRE</u>	