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INFORMATION FOR 2023 OHSAA REGIONAL BASEBALL QUALIFIERS

Congratulations on your District Championship!

The short turnaround time between your District Championship and the Regional Semi-Final creates a few important timelines. All Regional pairings, as well as the location and site manager information, are posted on the Statewide Tournament Brackets [HERE](#).

Regional site managers have been instructed to provide you with information specific to their Regional Tournament. If they have not done this, please contact the Regional manager for any site-specific information. Since preparation must begin now, it is important for you to provide this information to your Athletic Director.

Please note that sites and game times are subject to change at the discretion of the Executive Director's office.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at emason@ohsaa.org.

Best of luck as you advance to the Regional Tournament!

Sincerely,

Emily Mason
Senior Sport Administrator

Important Regional Information to be Submitted

With the short time between the Regional and State Tournament, all preparations begin during Regionals for the State Tournament. As a result, there are several important items you must complete now. You will find the necessary forms on the *Baseball Tournament Information* page on our website. Please complete the forms and email them to Scott Rex (srex@ohsaa.org) by the deadlines listed. To download forms:

1. Go to <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/baseball/tournamentinfo> or navigate from www.ohsaa.org and select 'Baseball' from the Sports & Tournaments drop-down menu.
2. Under *Tournament Information*, click on *Tournament Information and School Forms*.

The following forms are available on the Baseball page listed above and must be submitted by **Wednesday, May 31 at 12:00 PM**. Each is described in detail for your assistance and is necessary for the Regional and the State Tournament.

- *School Information Form*
- *Baseball Team Roster and Travel Party*
- *Season Results*
- *Team Photograph Identification Form*
- *Team Stats Form*
- *Media Coverage Form*

SCHOOL INFORMATION FORM

Please complete and submit this to your Regional manager in addition to Scott Rex (srex@ohsaa.org).

ROSTER/TRAVEL PARTY LIST

Complete this form electronically and send to your Regional manager no later than the Monday following your District Final game. In addition, email this to Scott Rex (srex@ohsaa.org) no later than Wednesday, May 31. Please note there is space for 22 players—make certain spelling is correct, as this is the way names will appear in the State Tournament program.

SEASON RESULTS FORM

Complete and submit this form as requested by Wednesday, May 31, but you are permitted to update it as you progress through the Regional Tournament. Your final form will be due by the State Tournament Finalists' Meeting on Monday, June 5, should you advance.

TEAM PHOTO & IDENTIFICATION

Submitting this now is extremely important for the State Tournament, to allow for printing of programs. Please submit the *Team Photograph Identification Form* along with a digital copy of your photo to Scott Rex (srex@ohsaa.org). If you choose to submit a printed photo, please mail the photo no later than Monday following your District Final game. If you submit a hard copy photograph, it will be returned to you.

Other Important Regional Tournament Information

REGIONAL SITES

We are grateful for the sites who are hosting a Regional Baseball Tournament across the state. Please be aware that while the goal is to keep the Regional games dates and times as scheduled, the Executive Director's office is authorized by the Board of Directors to make any changes to game sites and/or times. This can and may occur when possible, to accommodate graduations or other significant conflicts. Should you anticipate having a scheduling conflict, please contact Emily Mason as soon as possible. All submitted conflicts will be reviewed but *are not guaranteed to be changed*.

Should there be any weather delays and/or postponements, those will be communicated to the schools by the site manager and Emily Mason.

ADMISSION & TICKET INFORMATION

OHSAA tournament tickets can be purchased on the OHSAA Tickets webpage at <https://www.ohsaa.org/tickets>.

LEVEL	STUDENT TICKET PRICE	ADULT TICKET PRICE
REGIONAL	\$8.00	\$10.00
<i>Note: Children under the age of 5 are permitted free of charge</i>		

BATTING PRACTICE AT REGIONAL SITES

Batting practice is permitted at Regional sites prior to tournament games if the site has the availability, but is not mandatory or guaranteed at a site. Please make sure you check with the Regional manager for their policy and procedure. Many schools will communicate with a school in route to the Regional site for their batting practice. If batting practice is permitted at the site, the opportunity to conduct batting practice must be afforded to both teams.

COACHING ELIGIBILITY

All coaches in the dugout must comply with dress code regulations as described in the NFHS Rules Book. Only coaches with valid Pupil Activity Coaching Permits issued by the Ohio Department of Education are permitted to coach and be in uniform in the dugout.

ROSTER/TRAVEL PARTY LIST

This is an additional reminder that a maximum of 28 individuals are admitted via the pass gate and in the dugout. This is to be made up of the 22 (maximum) players in uniform, coaches and other team personnel, for a total of 28 individuals. The 22 players will be the only players permitted in the dugout or on the field for warm-up or any part of the contest. The 22 players may be changed from game to game throughout the tournament; however, any player in uniform must meet all eligibility requirements established by OHSAA Bylaws.

The *Team Roster/Travel Party List* shall be used at every tournament level across the state and **every dugout shall be limited to 28 individuals, including the 22 players in uniform. All tournament managers should be enforcing this, so we ask for the cooperation of the schools participating as well.** The *Team Roster/Travel Party List* can be found on the Baseball Tournament Information webpage.

UMPIRES

Umpires for the Regional Tournament have been assigned by the Executive Director's office. The umpires assigned for the tournaments are determined by a combination rating and voting system approved by the Board of Directors. Names of the officials will not be announced in advance of the games. In accordance with NFHS Rules, the decisions and rulings of the officials will be final.

GAME BALLS

The Rawlings R100 baseball is the official game ball of all levels of OHSAA Baseball tournament play.

Looking Ahead

For planning purposes, there will be a virtual State Finalists Meeting on Monday, June 5 at 10:30 AM—this will be conducted on Microsoft Teams. We ask that the Head Coach and Athletic Director attend this meeting.

