**OHSAA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT SCRIPTS**

**PRE-GAME**

Good afternoon/evening ladies and gentlemen and welcome to the 2023 OHSAA Softball Tournament and this Division \_\_\_\_\_ Sectional/District/Regional game hosted by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(*host site).*

Today’s/tonight’s matchup is between the

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*(Visiting team school and mascot)*

and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*(Home team school and mascot).*

**PRE-INTRODUCTIONS**

The Executive Director, Board of Directors and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District

Athletic Board of the Ohio High School Athletic Association welcomes you to this

Division \_\_\_\_\_ Softball Tournament game between

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ High School and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ High School.

The umpires for for this game are: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (OPTIONAL)

**TEAM INTRODUCTIONS**

Now let’s meet today’s/tonight’s teams.

First, for the visiting\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(*Visiting team school/mascot).*

*(Introduce reserves - optional format below)*

The reserves:

*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)*

And now the starters:

*(Introduce starters - optional format below)*

Batting first, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)

Batting second,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*(Home team mascot*) are coached by\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and he/she is assisted by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

And now for the *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Home team school/mascot).*

*(Introduce reserves- optional format below)*The reserves:

*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)*

And now the starters:

*(Introduce starters - optional format below)*

Batting first, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)

Batting second,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Position) (Jersey #) (Name)

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Home team mascot) are coached by\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and he/she is assisted by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Ladies and gentlemen, at this time we ask that you please rise, remove your caps and join us as we honor America and those who serve to protect it with the playing of the National Anthem.

*(if applicable)*

Performing this afternoon/evening is/are\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Presenting the colors this afternoon/evening is/are\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

*(Play National Anthem)*

Again, welcome to today’s/tonight’s event. In the spirit of sportsmanship, we ask that all fans act in a responsible and courteous manner. Abusive language or disorderly conduct is unacceptable and unwelcome. Let’s afford the participants and your fellow fans the respect they deserve. Your cooperation is appreciated. Let’s Play Ball!

**HALF INNING**

## In that inning for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Runs

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Hits:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Errors:

and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ left on base.

**FINAL**

Ladies and gentlemen, that concludes today’s/tonight’s game. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_High School \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(mascot) win with a score of \_\_\_\_runs to\_\_\_\_\_.

Congratulations to both teams on a great game this afternoon/evening.

**(If there is an awards presentation following the match read the following and then reference the Awards Scripts)**

Fans, we ask that you refrain from coming onto the field. We will begin the awards presentation shortly.

**OHSAA Inclement Weather Script**

Ladies and gentlemen, we have been notified by our weather monitoring service that inclement weather is in our area. The game will be temporarily suspended until it is safe to continue.

For your safety, we ask that you exit the facility. As you exit, please proceed to your cars to take shelter. Please **DO NOT** take shelter behind buildings or bleachers.

NFHS rules state that once lightning has been recognized or thunder is heard we must wait 30 minutes before the game can continue.

Updates on the weather situation and game information will be provided as it becomes available.

We thank you for your cooperation.

**Second Read (if necessary)**

Once again ladies and gentlemen, there is severe weather, which includes lightning, in our area. Please exit the facility and proceed to your cars to take shelter. Please DO NOT take shelter behind buildings or the bleachers.

Thank You.