

DIVISION - IA BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

Selection Procedure and Brackets

The IA Tournament will consist of Eight MIAA baseball teams regardless of pre-season divisional classifications or geography. The eight teams will be selected by the Division 1A Selection Committee on Memorial Day (traditional cut-off day). The location of the seeding meeting will be the MIAA offices in Franklin. The eight teams selected will be considered the strongest teams in the state. Division IA teams will be power seeded. Each of the baseball teams selected must participate only in the Division IA Tournament. All games for this tournament will be 9-innings.

The following Baseball Committee voting representatives will constitute the Division IA Selection Committee. Each member will also serve as a Game Observer.

1. MIAA Baseball Committee Chairman or designee
2. IA Tournament Director
3. President MBCA or designee
4. MBCA Representative
5. North Tournament Director
6. South Tournament Director
7. Central Tournament Director
8. West Tournament Director
9. Mass Baseball Umpires Association
10. At - Large from MIAA Baseball Committee
11. At - Large from MIAA Baseball Committee
12. (alternate) At - Large from MIAA Baseball Committee

SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Committee members will email Baseball Committee Chair a preliminary list of teams to consider by May 1st. Selection Committee Members will meet 2nd week in May to review teams and schedules to start observing teams that are under consideration.
2. Committee members should discourage phone calls from coaches lobbying for schools.
3. Committee members are to consider: strength of team, depth of talent, strength of schedule, strength of league, overall record and performance toward the end of the season. Input from all members of the Selection Committee is vital to the success of the process.

DIVISION IA NOMINATIONING PROCEDURE:

1. All members of the Selection Committee will submit one list of nominees (no more than 10) to the Baseball Committee Chair by the Saturday, before Memorial Day. Each of these teams will be discussed and reviewed at the meeting that will be held on Memorial Day.
2. The voting procedure listed will be utilized to determine the top 8 teams to be considered for tournament play. Selection Committee members will:
 - (a) nominate top 8

(b) power seed the 8 teams selected.

A majority vote of the Div. 1A Selection Committee is mandatory. Abstentions are not permitted.

DIVISION IA VOTING PROCEDURE:

NOMINATIONS:

1. Any Selection Committee member may nominate a school for consideration.
2. The school's nomination will be discussed and reviewed.
3. A hand vote will be taken - no abstentions. A majority vote is needed in order to remain in consideration. Teams failing to receive a majority vote will not be reconsidered.
4. This nomination procedure will continue until there are no more nominations.

TOP EIGHT TEAMS:

1. After all nominations are completed, the Selection Committee will vote to select the top eight teams.
2. Teams that receive a unanimous vote will be automatically placed and selected as one of the eight. Rank order to be determined by power seeding stated below.
3. After all unanimous vote teams are placed, teams that did not receive a unanimous vote will be considered for placement in the remaining top eight slots. Each voting member will vote for one of the remaining teams- no abstentions. A majority vote is required for placement in the top eight teams. Rank order to be determined by seeding procedure stated below. Any team failing to receive majority vote will be placed back in the pool for future consideration.
3. This voting procedure will continue until eight teams are placed.

POWER SEEDING

Teams will be power seeded starting with the # 1 seed and ending with the # 8 seed. The power seeding is as follows:

- a) The # 1 seed position will be voted. Each Selection Committee member will vote for one team - no abstentions. A majority vote is required for placement.
- b) This power seeding process will continue until all eight teams have been placed.

8 Team Double Elimination

all teams play until they have two losses or Champion

