

OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
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TO: Principals, Athletic Directors and Baseball Coaches
FROM: Todd Dilbeck, Assistant
SUBJECT: 2018 Class A Baseball Regional Assignments
DATE: April 23, 2018

1. Congratulations to you and your teams for winning the district tournament. The Regional Brackets follow this letter. Please read all this information carefully. The Athletic Director and/or Principal of the host school is the tournament site manager for the Regional Tournament.
2. Regional Tournaments in Class A must be completed no later than Saturday, April 28, 2018 and must be played in consecutive days. The tournament will be scheduled to begin on Thursday, April 26th, with four games on Thursday, two games on Friday, April 27th, and one (if necessary) game on Saturday, April 28th. Regional dates can be changed by mutual agreement, but cannot begin earlier than Tuesday, April 24th. If all participating schools agree prior to the tournament beginning, you may use Sunday, April 29th, as a make-up day.
3. The OSSAA would encourage teams involved to work cooperatively with other schools if the majority wish to change the tournament times and dates. School administration should be involved in any decision to change the tournament dates.
4. The #1 seed will play #4 and the #2 seed will play #3. If teams were not rated in the top 20 of OSSAA Rankings they were seeded according to records (percent won vs. lost). No un-rated team was seeded higher than a rated team.

#1 Seed – Highest Rated Team

#2 Seed – Second Highest Rated Team

#3 Seed – Third Highest Rated Team

#4 Seed – Fourth Highest Rated Team
5. The host school will charge \$5.00 for adults and students. The host school shall furnish the game balls and umpires. Wilson is the official ball for all OSSAA baseball playoff contests. Umpires must be agreed upon by the competing teams. The umpires shall be paid \$55.00 per game plus game officials mileage will be reimbursed at \$0.35/mile for the first 600 miles of a round trip and \$0.25/mile for each mile beyond 600 miles of a round trip. Umpires should be selected within a reasonable driving distance of the tournament site. No more than two umpires are to be used in regional tournaments.
6. Tickets and trophies are being shipped via FedEx. The tickets will come from the OSSAA Office and the trophies will be shipped FedEx from MTM Recognition Company.
7. Chairman and/or Principal of the host site must appoint someone to call in the results of the regional tournament to The Oklahoman (405) 475-3313 or (405) 475-3314 and the Tulsa World (918) 583-2161. Winning Team Coaches must call Todd Dilbeck upon completion of the regional tournament, 405-840-1116.
If the office is closed text Todd Dilbeck, 405-627-9875. 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 2017-2018 OSSAA Baseball Manual, page BA3, paragraph IV, sub-paragraph A, B, C, D and E.

In district, bi-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 during the play-offs.
10. 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.
11. The OSSAA reserves the right to move games to an adequate and available field if weather delays the tournament.
12. 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. The run rule is ten (10) after five innings.
13. Designated Media Area. The National Federation Baseball rules require the host team game management to designate a lined area for the media. This area shall be considered a dead ball area. This rule also prohibits media from being in a live ball area. The OSSAA is asking each host site to cooperate with the media and provide a designated area. We also recommend the area be marked between home and first or third base in an area that enables adequate media coverage. We realize each park is built differently and the above recommendation may not be feasible. An area that affords the best possible coverage with the least possibility of an interference situation should be selected.
14. The Spring 2018 State Class A Baseball Tournament (May 3-4-5, 2018) will be held at Palmer Field at Dolese Park, Northwest 50th Street and Meridian Avenue, in Oklahoma City, Thursday, May 3, Friday, May 4 and the championship game Saturday, May 5, 2018.
15. If your team qualifies for the state tournament you need to contact Mr. Rod Coulter at (918) 495-1771 or rod.coulter@vype.com regarding the State Championship Program.
16. Brackets for the State Tournament will not be available before 12:00 noon on April 30th. If your school has a scheduling conflict with a school sponsored activity and the State Baseball Tournament, notify the OSSAA by 8:00 a.m. on April 30th.
17. If you have any questions please refer to the 2017-2018 OSSAA Baseball Manual on line at ossaa.com or feel free to call the OSSAA Office (405) 840-1116. Again, "Congratulations" and "Best of Luck" as your team continues its road to the state tournament.
18. ATTENTION DISTRICT TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS: The regional host school managers shall immediately contact the visiting schools concerning officials to be employed for the Regional Baseball Tournament. Visiting schools shall contact the host manager concerning the assignment of regional officials. These contacts need to be made as quickly as possible after the regional tournament pairings are released from the OSSAA.
19. Teams listed on top of the bracket will occupy third base dugout. A coin toss will determine home and visiting team. Coaches may agree on home team without coin toss.

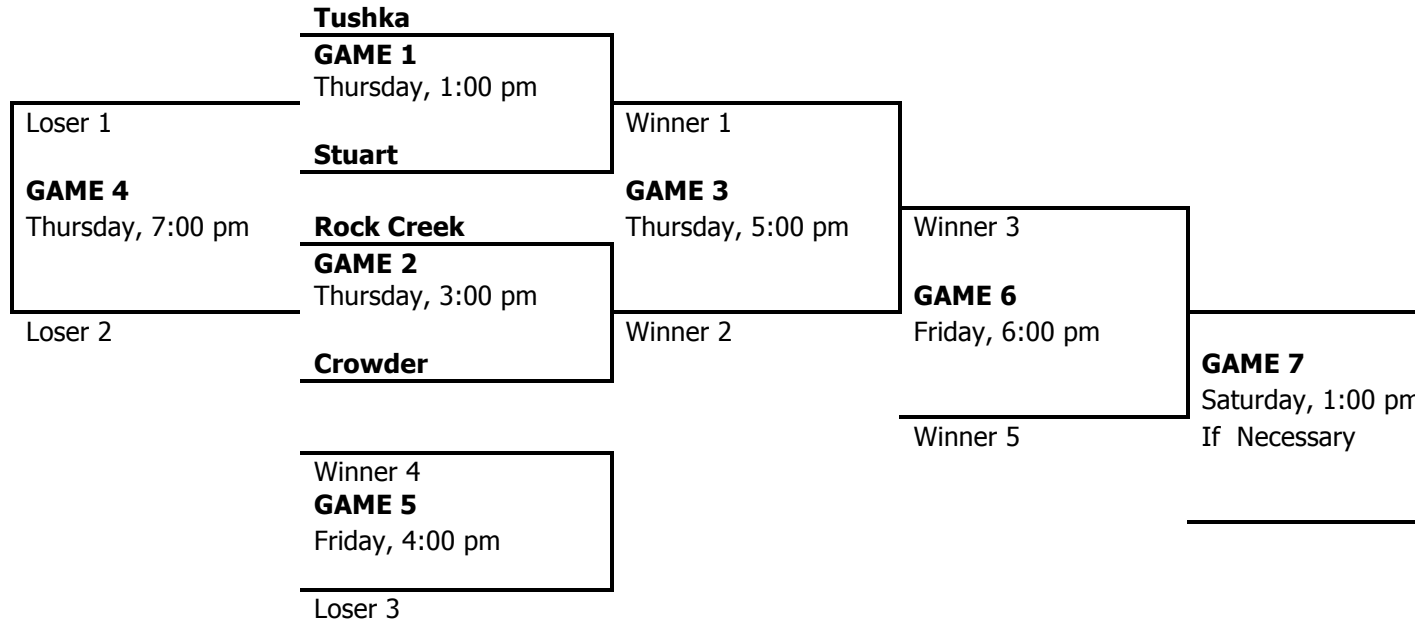
SPRING BASEBALL REGIONAL BRACKET

April 26, 27, 28, 2018

CLASS A

AT: Tushka

MANAGER: Principal



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CLASS A

AT: Wright City

MANAGER: Principal



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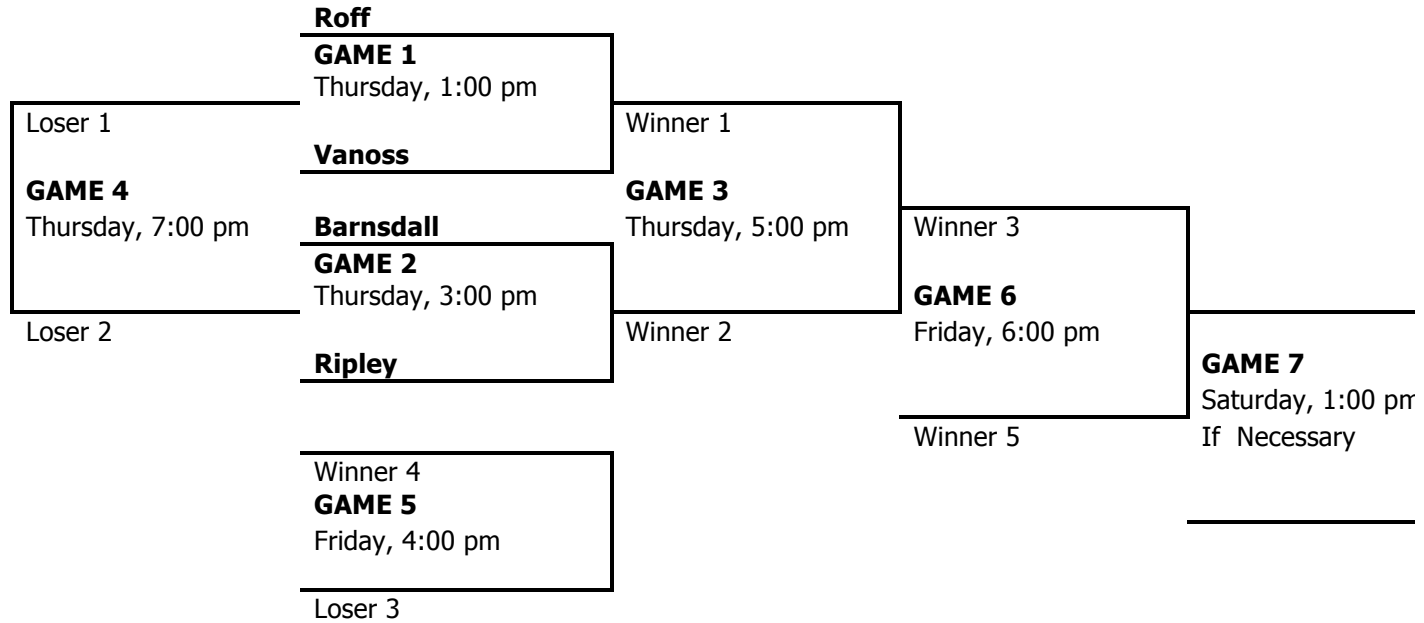
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AT: Roff

MANAGER: Principal



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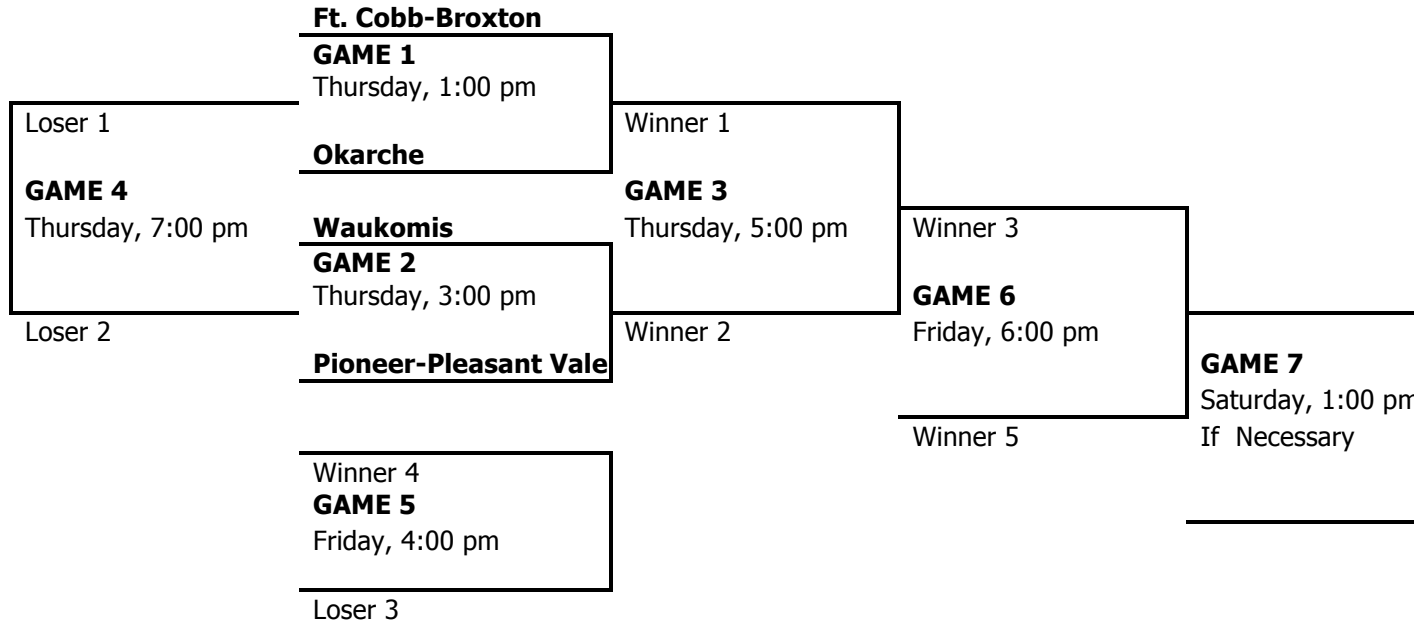
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AT: Ft. Cobb-Broxton

MANAGER: Principal



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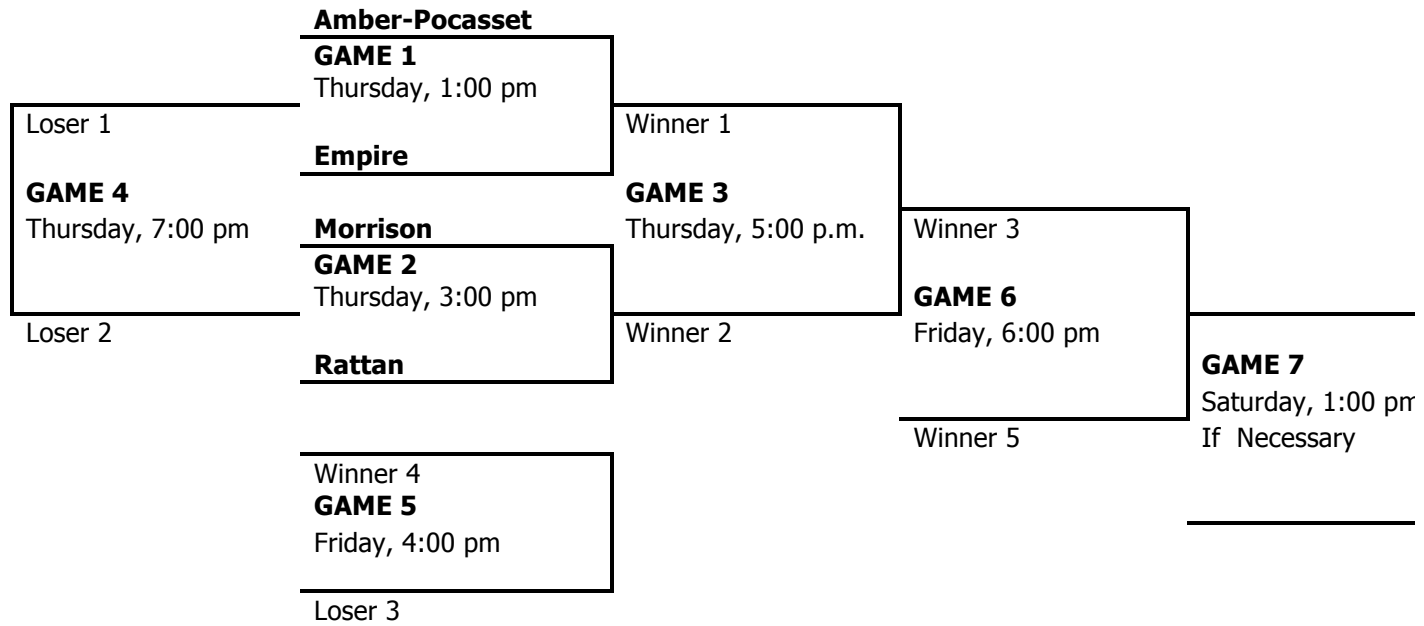
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AT: Amber-Pocasset

MANAGER: Principal



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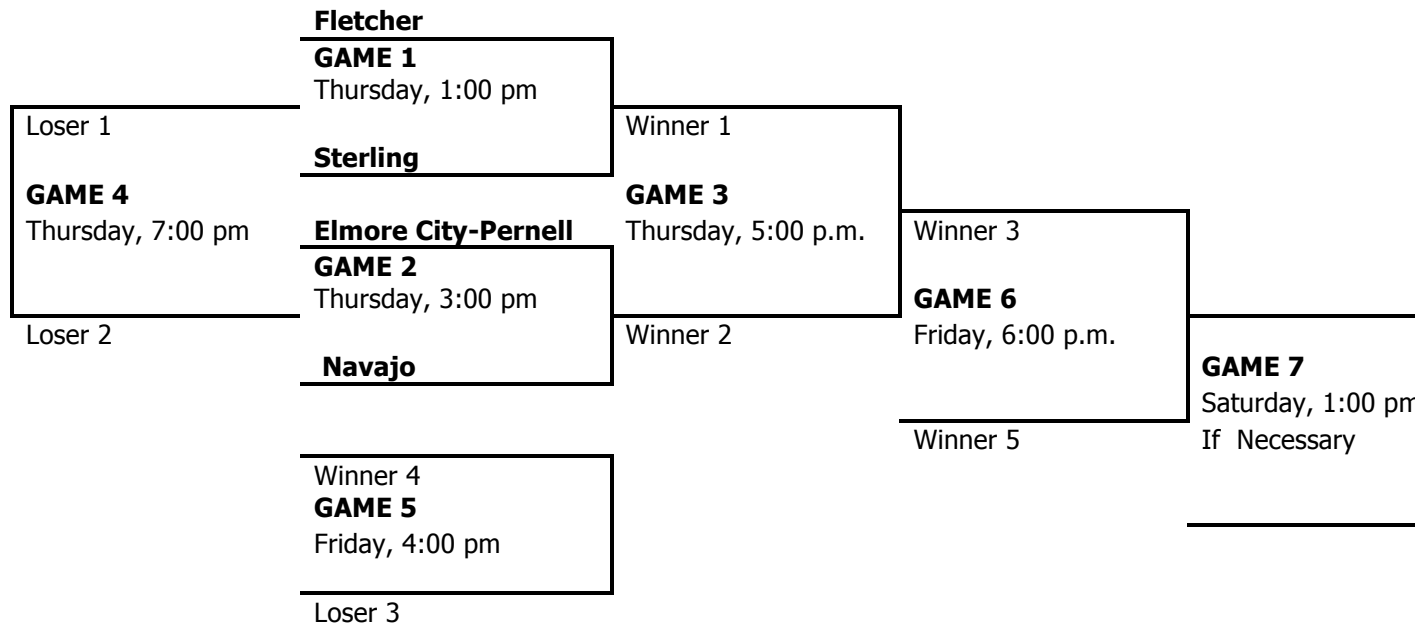
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CLASS A

AT: Fletcher

MANAGER: Principal



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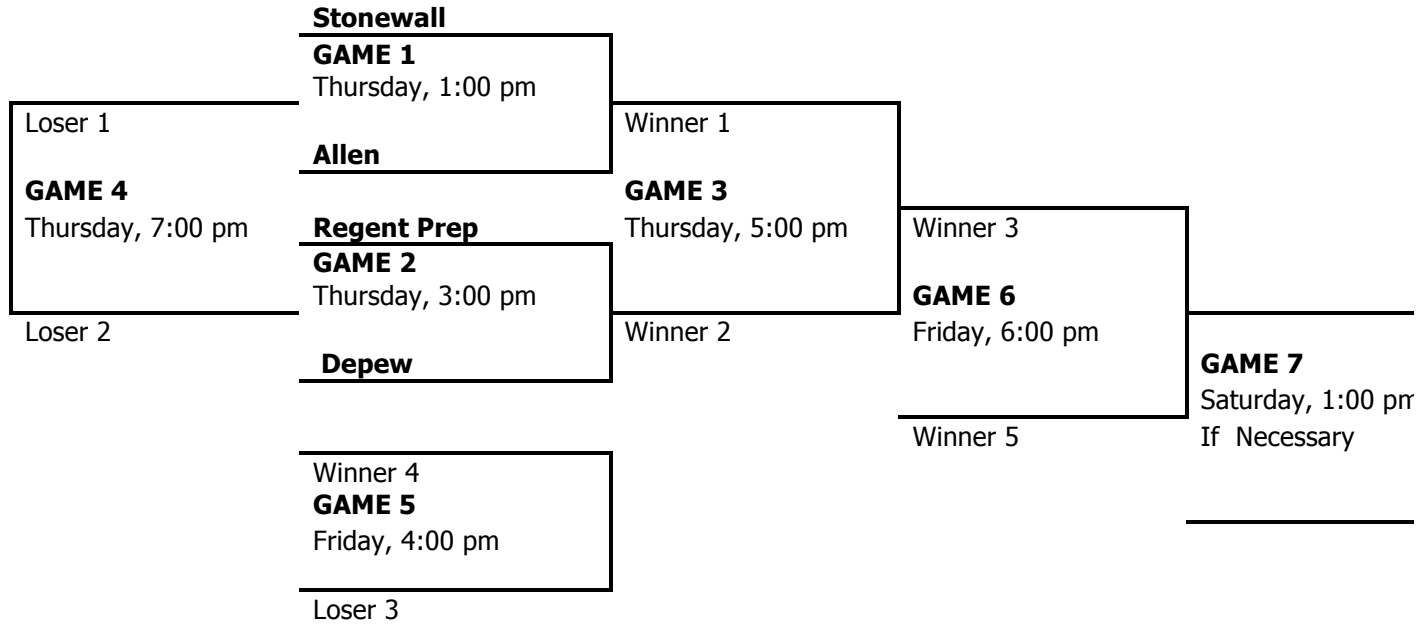
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CLASS A

AT: Stonewall

MANAGER: Principal



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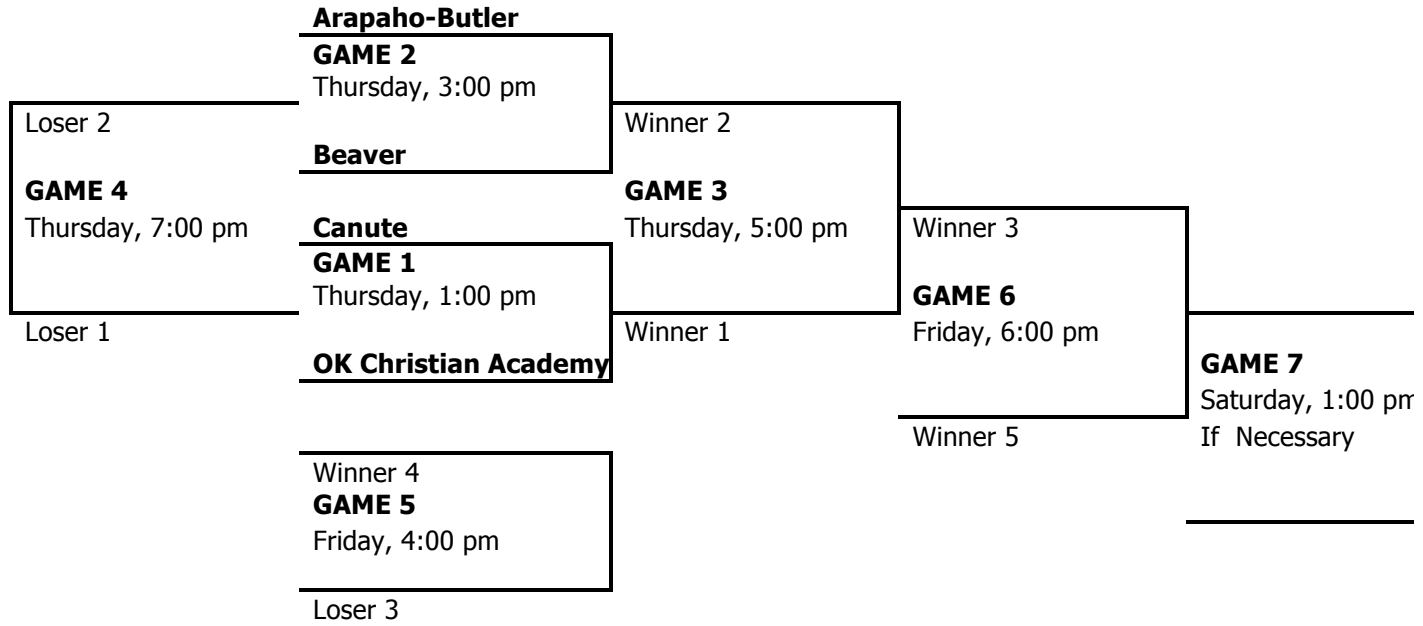
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CLASS A

AT: Arapaho-Butler

MANAGER: Principal



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