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TO: High School Principal/ Fast-Pitch Coach
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SUBJECT: 2018 Girls' Fall Fast-Pitch Softball Classes B and A District Tournament Assignments, District
Tournament Meeting, and Additional Information.
DATE: September 7, 2018

Below are the 2018 district tournament assignments for Classes B and A fast-pitch softball. Information for conducting each district meeting is included along with additional district tournament information. Please review this material carefully with your softball coach. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

NOTE: District tournament meetings are scheduled to take place between September 13 and September 15.

**2018 Classes B and A Fast-Pitch Softball
District Assignments**
(To be completed by September 22)

1. The host site for each district tournament will be the first school listed in each district. (Refer to district tournament pairings sheet below.)
2. The district tournament chairperson will be the principal of the first school listed in each district, which is also the host site for that assigned district. At the district tournament meeting, an assigned site may be changed by unanimous vote of all coaches of the teams assigned to the tournament and with OSSAA approval.
3. The district tournament chairperson should call a meeting of the schools assigned to his/her district no earlier than September 13, and no later than September 15. Each district tournament meeting chairperson should notify each participating school of the date, time, and site of the district meeting. **District meetings should be done by phone.**
4. The winner of each **double elimination** district tournament will advance to regional tournament competition. REFER TO 2018-19 OSSAA FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL MANUAL FOR REGIONAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION.
5. In the district tournament meeting, the following should be decided:
 - a. Draw the tournament brackets. In district tournament play, no team will be required to play more than three games during any day of the tournament unless there is consent by the team's head coach.
 - b. Umpires should be agreed upon. Two umpires are to be used in each game. The umpires should be eligible OSSAA fast-pitch softball umpires (having paid the 2018-19 school year enrollment fee; taken and passed the current National Federation Softball Test.) The most recent list of eligible umpires is available at www.ossaa.com, on the Officials link click Observers and Coordinators.
 - c. Plan in general for the tournament.
6. For seeding purposes, teams will include their records of wins and losses through September 12 2018. Tied percentage records shall be decided by a coin toss. A minimum of fifteen (15) games played will be required for seeding purposes. The Activities Association may reduce the number of games needed for seeding purposes if there are long periods of inclement weather during the softball season.

7. When three teams are involved in a tournament teams will be seeded by the most recent rankings from ossaarankings.com. If a team(s) is not ranked, their won-lost record will be used. The team with the lowest ranking will choose either seeded team, automatically placing the bye.

Team A will be the team that received the bye.

Team B will be the team chosen to be played by Team C.

Team C will be the team with the third best record.

Game 1 - Team B plays Team C

Game 2 – Loser game 1 plays Team A.

Game 3 – Winner game 1 plays Team A.

Game 4 – If one team has one loss and one team has no losses; they play

Game 5 – If necessary.

Or

Game 4 – If all teams have one loss; Team B plays Team C.

Game 5 – Winner game 4 plays Team A.

- 8 A copy of each district tournament bracket should be sent, or a FAX may be sent, to the Activities Association. The Activities Association FAX number is (405) 840-9559.
9. **When the district tournament is complete, district winners should call the Activities Association and notify Amy Cassell. Please do so by Saturday at midnight, September 22. After hours office phone (405) 840-1116 ext. 132 or email acassell@ossaa.com.**
10. Academic Achievement Fast-Pitch Softball - the roster of academic achievement participants will consist of the 22 team members or lesser number suited up for Classes B-A-2A-3A district tournament play, and Classes 4A-5A-6A regional tournament play. The GPA shall be based on the grades from the preceding semester. (Non-traditional semester: An approximate 18-week grading period used to divide the school year in half.) Applications for Classes B-A-2A-3A teams must be postmarked, emailed or faxed no later than **September 26**, and **October 4** for Classes 4A-5A-6A teams.

ADDITIONAL FALL FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL DISTRICT INFORMATION

1. In district tournament play, the host school will use its own tickets. A record of tournament tickets sold and expenses should be kept. A financial report will be required by the Activities Association if a deficit is reported concerning umpire expenses. Each participating team should provide a top-grade fast-pitch softball for each game played in the district tournament. Thus, expenses for softballs should not be included in tournament expenses. NOTE: Any profit in district tournament play is to be kept by the host school.
2. The Activities Association will reimburse the host school fifty percent of losses considering only the expenses of the umpires if the gate receipts are not sufficient to defray umpire expenses.
3. In district tournament play, the host school shall charge **\$5.00 for adult and student admission**. The **2018-2019 OSSAA Pass** is the only pass that will admit the holder to a play-off event. A driver’s license must be shown with all passes. The passes will not be valid to anyone except the card holder. These passes are non-transferable.
4. The umpires pay shall equal \$40.00 per game plus expenses as per the “OSSAA PER DIEM CHART”.
5. For each game played in district and regional tournaments, a team shall furnish one official top-grade fast-pitch softball. **The Wilson WTA 9611 optic yellow, 12-inch, polycore, leather softball will be used exclusively throughout the play-offs. If for some reason the official Wilson softball is not available, the coaches may agree to use another 12-inch softball. All transactions must be approved by the umpire-in-chief.**
6. The ten-run rule will be in effect throughout the play-off series.
7. **THE TIE BREAKER IS NOT TO BE USED DURING PLAY-OFFS.**
8. Trophies and/or plaques will be awarded to the champions of each district and regional tournament. District tournament plaques will be sent to the host school from Midwest Trophy.
9. For the OSSAA play-off fast-pitch tournaments, each team will be limited to twenty-two (22) suited squad members.
10. **National Federation Softball Rules require the home team or 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.**
11. It would be appreciated, if at the end of district tournament play each day, each district tournament chairperson would call in the results to the:

Tulsa World (1-800-944-7529) or (918) 581-8355
Daily Oklahoman (1-800-375-6397 ext. 3313)

and/or any other interested newspapers.

If you have any questions, please call.

GAME OFFICIAL MILEAGE:

MILES CLAIMED	AMOUNT PAID
0 – 600 miles	\$0.35/mile
over 600 miles	\$0.25/mile
above scale is round trip	

2018 Girls' Fall Fast-Pitch Softball
Class B District Assignments
 (To be completed by September 22)

First team listed is the host school.

District number will have no significance in assigning teams to regional tournament.

Class B

1.	Arnett, Boise City/Keyes, Tyrone
2.	Leedey, Buffalo, Waynoka
3.	Hammon, Sentinel
4.	Duke, Blair, Granite
5.	Mt. View-Gotebo, Olustee-Eldorado, Ft. Cobb Broxton
6.	Chattanooga, Grandfield, Indianoma
7.	Big Pasture, Temple, Geronimo
8.	Thackerville, Turner, Ryan
9.	Sterling, Springer
10.	Cyril, Verden
11.	Lookeba-Sickles, Calumet
12.	Geary, Cimarron, Timberlake
13.	Covington-Douglas, Pond Creek-Hunter, Medford
14.	Prue, Mulhall-Orlando, Oilton
15.	Carney, Graham-Dustin, Paden
16.	Davenport, Coyle, Mason
17.	Welch, Shidler, Wynona
18.	Bluejacket, Copan, South Coffeyville
19.	Cameron, Braggs, Oaks
20.	Webbers Falls, Wilson (Henryetta), Midway
21.	Red Oak, Kinta
22.	Leflore, Indianola, McCurtain
23.	Whitesboro, Battiest
24.	Smithville, Haileyville, Caney
25.	Wapanucka, Coleman, Tupelo
26.	Roff, Mill Creek, Milburn
27.	Asher, Maysville, Paoli
28.	New Lima, Sasakwa, Bowlegs
29.	Moss, Calvin, Earlsboro
30.	Varnum, Butner
31.	Kiowa, Stringtown
32.	Drummond, Kremlin-Hillsdale, Dover

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Class A District Assignments
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First team listed is the host school.

District number will have no significance in assigning teams to regional tournament.

Class A

1.	Laverne, Cheyenne/Reydon, Turpin
2.	Shattuck, Fargo-Gage/Ft. Supply
3.	Vici, Thomas-Fay-Custer
4.	Seiling, Arapaho-Butler, Pioneer-Pleasant Vale
5.	Hydro-Eakly, Carnegie, Okarche
6.	Binger-Oney, Cashion
7.	Amber-Pocassett, Alex
8.	Fletcher, Ninnekah, Central High
9.	Navajo, Snyder, Hollis
10.	Velma-Alma, Empire, Bray-Doyle
11.	Ringling, Waurika, Wilson
12.	Stonewall, Achille
13.	Caddo, Rock Creek
14.	Bennington, Quinton, Tushka
15.	Rattan, Soper, Ft. Towson
16.	Wright City, Clayton/Buffalo Valley, Haworth
17.	Wetumka, OK Christian Academy, Strother
18.	Dewar, Weleetka, Canadian
19.	Keota, Porum, Gore
20.	Gans, Cave Springs, Arkoma
21.	Preston, Watts, Afton
22.	Morrison, Barnsdall, Foyil
23.	Woodland, Frontier, Glencoe
24.	Ripley, Agra
25.	Depew, Olive
26.	Stuart, Vanoss, Crowder
27.	Allen, Wanette
28.	Mooreland, Okeene, Beaver/Forgan
29.	Waukomis, Oklahoma Bible Academy, Garber
30.	Canute, Burns Flat-Dill City
31.	Ringwood, Cherokee
32.	Wayne, Rush Springs, Elmore-City Pernell