



2018 High School Baseball & Softball



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Important Dates

November 28	Baseball & Softball Coaches Meeting	4:00 pm	SCIAA Office
January 17	All Schedules due to SCIAA		
January 17	TSSAA Softball Rules Meeting	5:30 pm	MUS
January 17	TSSAA Baseball Rules Meeting	6:30 pm	MUS
February 12	TSSAA First date of practice		
March 12	TSSAA First Date of Contest		
March 12	TSSAA Deadline to File Eligibility & Schedules		
March 12-16	SCS Spring Break		
May 11	TSSAA Districts Must Be Completed		
May 14	TSSAA Region Semifinals		
May 16	TSSAA Region Finals		
May 18	TSSAA Sectionals		
May 22-25	TSSAA State Championship		

Games

Limits

Baseball-TSSAA limits high schools to play a maximum of 30 games played, 4 tournaments (tournaments count as 3 games).

Softball-TSSAA limits high schools to play a maximum of 34 games, 5 tournaments (tournaments count as 4 games).

Schedules

All high school baseball schedules are due to the SCIAA Office by January 17th. It is the responsibility of the school to contact Memphis Parks for field availability, scheduling and fees. ***The school will be responsible for paying all fees associated with playing on Parks Fields. These fees will not be reimbursed.***

Inclement Weather: Cancellation or postponement of games for inclement weather is the responsibility Athletic Director of the home team or his/her representative. The final decision and notification to the visiting team, umpire or assigning agent, and the SCIAA must be made by 11:00 a.m. on the day of the game. If there is any question as to playing conditions of Park Commission fields, the final decision for determining whether or not the field is playable will be made by the Park Commission representative.

Rescheduling Inclement Weather Games: The home team is responsible for obtaining field assignments for make up games and contacting assigning agents to obtain umpires. **The home team is responsible for contacting the visiting team within three days of the postponed game and setting a playing date for the rescheduled game.** If the visiting team has not received notification of game reschedule by the third day, they are responsible for contacting the SCIAA in writing (e-mail). Please CC the SCIAA on all correspondence concerning make-up games (schlutermanl@scsk12.org).

Parks Services Fields:

After April 1st, all games played at Willow Park must be completed by 6:00 pm, Tobey on Wednesday and Thursday must be completed 6:00 pm. Drop dead. No excuses.

Andrew Fisher (901) 767-4580 office andrew.fisher@memphistn.gov

Games postponed on Park Commission fields should be rescheduled through the Park Commission office. Please contact them at 757-4580 between 10am and 12pm, daily. The participating teams should reschedule games postponed on school fields.

Umpires

The home school is responsible for changes of the field location --You must notify the umpire's assigning agent of any change:

Baseball & Softball Assigning Agent: Tony Walsh (901) 634-5201 twalsh06@aol.com

Notes:

1. All umpires are required to contact the home team school by **12:00 noon on game day**. Check with your financial secretary to insure that the officials have called in. Do not leave for your playing field without 100% assurance that your officials are assigned and are aware of your game.
2. Any changes on game day, coaches are required to contact the umpires or an assigning officer by 11:00 a.m. of game day or be in jeopardy of paying game fees.
3. In case it becomes necessary to postpone a regular game after the umpires have arrived, but before any play takes place, the umpires shall be entitled to collect only half of the fee.
4. Only Officials' fees for League/District games will be reimbursed by the SCIAA.

Umpire Fees:

Senior High Baseball	<u>Two Officials</u>	<u>Three Officials</u>
	Single Game	Single Game
	\$75.00	\$70.00
	Doubleheader (JV/JV)	Doubleheader (JV/JV)
	\$105.00	\$95.00
	Doubleheader (JV/V)	Doubleheader (JV/V)
	\$105.00	\$95.00
	Doubleheader (V/V)	Doubleheader (V/V)
	\$115.00	\$105.00
Doubleheader fees apply to regular season contests only when there is no more than 30 minutes between games. If one game of the doubleheader is a JV game, it is limited to 5 innings or a 1:15 time limit, whichever comes first. NO EXCEPTIONS!		
Senior High Softball	<u>Two Officials</u>	<u>Three Officials</u>
	Single Game	Single Game
	\$65.00	\$60.00
	Doubleheader (V/V)	Doubleheader (V/V)
	\$105.00	\$95.00
Doubleheader fees apply to regular season contests only when there is no more than 30 minutes between games.		

The home team of each contest must upload the outcome of the game to their DigitalSports website (instructions are included in this packet). The scores must be submitted by noon of the following day. The SCIAA also asks that coaches submit every score to the Commercial Appeal for publishing in the newspaper. Just call 901-529-2360 and say that you have a score to report.

TSSAA Baseball Pitch Count Regulations

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. Make sure properly warmed up prior to any throwing activity. Use proper equipment to aid in the warm up. (Surgical tubing, etc...)
2. Make sure a proper dynamic and static stretching plan is followed prior to throwing.
3. Educate pitchers on proper mechanics and techniques of throwing.
4. Monitor for signs of mechanical breakdown and fatigue.
5. Take immediate action if a pitcher complains of pain.
6. Consult a trainer/doctor/ trained coach upon completion of game pitching activity.
7. Put in place and follow a prescribed post pitching rehabilitation program.
8. Make every effort to avoid pitching a player in multiple games on the same day.

GUIDELINES:

1. Cannot use the same pitcher three (3) days in a row regardless of number of pitches thrown.
2. If pitchers hit their END number, they are allowed to finish the batter in the box regardless of END number.
3. **Highly recommended that a coach check with a coach on the opposing team between each half inning to make sure pitch counts are in congruent.** (the same)
4. Home team would be final correct count.
5. Both teams would sign documentation pitch form at the end of each game.
6. The pitch count will apply to a player who pitches. JV pitch count and high school varsity pitch count would be linked together. Example – Pitcher A pitches Varsity on Monday 45 pitches, not allowed to pitch JV on Tuesday.
7. The pitch count applies to regular season and postseason.

LEVEL	Maximum number of pitches per appearance	Days of Rest (Pitches)	1 calendar day of rest	2 calendar days of rest	3 calendar days of rest	4 calendar days of rest
		0 days	1 day	2 day	3 day	4 day
Middle School (7 th -8 th Grade)	85	1 19	20 35	36 55	56 84	85
High School Freshman/JV	100	1 25	26 40	41 65	66 99	100
High School Varsity	120	1 25	26 55	56 75	76 119	120

A form tracking pitches for the pitchers for each school shall be kept and signed by opposing coach at the conclusion of each game.

Penalty for violation of the Pitch Count Rule

1st Time – Forfeit; \$50 fine; coach suspended for one game at each level the violation occurred.

2nd Time – Forfeit; \$250 fine; coach suspended for two games at each level the violation occurred.

3rd Time – Forfeit; \$500 fine; coach suspended for four games at each level the violation occurred.

The SCIAA urges coaches to check with opposing team between each inning to ensure pitch counts are the same. If you see a coach not charting pitch counts, please make note of it on your sheet and contact the SCIAA Office the next day, schlutermanl@scsk12.org.

TSSAA FAQ's to Highlight

Schools Which Member Schools May Play or Scrimmage.

Q. What schools may a member school of TSSAA play or scrimmage during regular season?

A. TSSAA member schools may play or scrimmage the following:

1. Any secondary school team with grades 9 and above.
2. An individual home schooled student who might be invited to participate in a track meet, wrestling competition, golf competition, etc. This would primarily apply to individual sports.
3. A home school team in a team sport, such as basketball, baseball, softball, etc., where home schooled students go together to form a cooperative team.

Q. Who can a member school of TSSAA not play during regular season?

A. Any non-school team. Examples would be a club team, recreational park league team, or any type of independent team.

Varsity Teams

Q. Can a school's junior varsity team participate against another school's varsity team?

A. No. A game is either a varsity game for both teams, a junior varsity game for both teams, or a scrimmage for both teams. An exception may be made by the Executive Director when a school is beginning an athletic program.

SCIAA Rules:

105. Inclement Weather and Postponed Games

- 105.1 Inclement Weather - When school is cancelled because of inclement weather conditions, all athletic events will be postponed. The home school is responsible for notifying officials and calling everyone involved in the contest.
- 105.2 If schools are closed on the day a meeting is to be held, the meeting will be rescheduled by the SCIAA office. Schools will be notified of the new date.
- 105.3 The principal of the home school will contact the principal of the visiting school and they will decide whether the game is to be played or postponed. In the event of disagreement, the decision rests with the Athletic Manager.
- 105.4 If postponed:
- a. The Athletic Manager should be notified of the decision immediately, including the new date and site preference.
 - b. The home school will notify the officials' assigning agent that the game has been postponed.
- 105.5 Guidelines for Forfeiting Athletic Contests
- Forfeit - Any game that is cancelled by a school for reasons other than weather related conditions.**
- a. To keep from paying a fine, the forfeiting schools must notify the opposing school and the SCIAA office in writing at least 24 hours before the contest.
 - b. Officials should be notified of game cancellation by 11:00 a.m. on the day of a scheduled contest. If the school fails to notify the officials, the forfeiting school must pay and will not receive reimbursement from the Athletic Office.
 - c. Both schools in a forfeiting situation should send a letter to the SCIAA office and a copy to the opposing school principal.
 - d. The fines for forfeiting are two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for major sports, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for minor sports. **Baseball and Softball are both defined as major sports.**
 - e. If a school fails to notify the opposing team by 11:00 am in writing on the day of a scheduled contest the forfeiting school must pay the cost of the bus for the visiting team if a bus charge is incurred.
 - f. The forfeited game will not be rescheduled.
 - g. If there is a continued pattern of forfeiting in any sport, the Athletic Manager may request an explanation.
 - h. Any school that has a forfeit situation must notify the SCIAA within 24 hours. Failure to notify the SCIAA in writing will result in a no contest for championship purposes.
 - i. A forfeit will remove the forfeiting team from consideration for the SCIAA Championship.

TSSAA 2017-2021 District Alignments-Baseball & Softball

Region 8		Region 8	Region 7	Region 8	
District 15A	District 16A	District 16AA	District 14AAA	District 15AAA	District 16 AAA
BTW	City Univ.	Craigmont	Arlington	Collierville	Central
Douglass	Fairley	Hamilton	Bartlett	Germantown	East
KIPP Colleg.	Freedom Prep	MLK Prep	Bolton	Houston	Overton
Manassas	Hillcrest	Raleigh-Egypt	Cordova	Kirby	White Station
MAHS	MSE	Trezevant	Kingsbury	Ridgeway	Whitehaven
MASE	Oakhaven	Melrose		Southwind	
MBA	PCA	Mitchell			
Middle College	Web DuBois A&T	Sheffield			
Soulsville	Westwood	Wooddale			
	Web DuBois L&PP	GRAD Acad.			

District Tournament Sites

Baseball (Last Year)	2017-18
14AAA-	14AAA-
15AAA-	15AAA-Germantown-Casey Calloway
16AAA-White Station-Wade Walter	16AAA-
16AA-Craigmont-Coach Hester	16AA-
16A-Middle College-Reed Willis	16A-Middle College-Reed Willis
15A-	15A-
Softball (Last Year)	2017-18
14AAA-Bolton	14AAA-Arlington
15AAA-	15AAA-
16AAA-White Station-Bob Alberson	16AAA-
16AA-Craigmont-Tim Anderson	16AA-
16A- Middle College-Reed Willis	16A-
15A-	15A-

Tobey Park

2599 Avery Ave.
Behind the SCS Board of Education

Kennedy Park

4575 Raleigh LaGrange Road
Fields 6-9 are the first fields you come to
Fields 1-5 are the last fields

Willow Park

4971 Willow Road
#1 is behind the Community Center and
Overton High School

**NO BUSES OR OTHER
VEHICLES INSIDE ANY
PARK FENCES!!**

Team	Baseball Home Field	Softball Home Field
Bolton	Bolton	Bolton
Cordova	Cordova	Cordova
Kingsbury		Kennedy Park
Germantown	Red Devil Field	Germantown
Southwind	Southwind	Southwind
Kirby	Kirby	Willow Park
Ridgeway	Ridgeway	Ridgeway
Wooddale	Sowell Field	Willow Park
Central	Tobey Legion Field	Tobey Park
East	East	East
Hamilton		Tobey Park
Melrose	Orange Mound Park	
Overton	Willow Park #1	Willow Park
Whitehaven	Whitehaven	Whitehaven
White Station	White Station	White Station
Craigmont	Craigmont	Kennedy Park
Fairley		Fairley
MLK Prep	MLK Prep	Kennedy Park
Sheffield	Sheffield	Sheffield
Westwood	Westwood	Westwood
Douglass	Douglass	Kennedy Park
Manassas	Manassas	Manassas
Raleigh-Egypt	Raleigh-Egypt	Raleigh-Egypt
Trezevant	Trezevant	Kennedy Park
Mitchell	Mitchell	Carruthers Park
Oakhaven	Oakhaven	Oakhaven
Hillcrest		
PCA		Willow Park
MAHS		Kennedy Park
MASE		
BTW	Jesse Turner Park	Tobey Park
Middle College	Tobey Legion Field	Middle College
MSE		Willow Park
GRAD Academy		GRAD Academy