

NHIAA 2021 Softball Open Tournament

COVID – 19 Safety Procedures and Guidelines

- All CDC and New Hampshire Dept. of Health guidelines will be enforced.
- All guidelines set forth in the “NHIAA Universal Best Practices” guidelines must be followed.
- All game modifications approved by the NFHS, NHIAA Softball Committee, NHIAA Sports Medicine Committee and NHIAA Council will be observed.
- **The NHIAA recommends masks for all participants.** If a school participating in the playoffs has more restrictive playing requirements than those prescribed by the NHIAA, in the spirit of sportsmanship and by mutual agreement, the Council supports the two school playing by the more restrictive policies.

Tournament

- The NHIAA 2020-21 Softball Tournament is set up as an open tournament by division
- Each school was able to opt in based upon their comfort level of competing in a state wide competition
- Based upon feedback from member schools and the success of regional scheduling during the regular season, the Softball Committee divided each division into 4 regional groups
- Each of the 4 groups was determined based upon location in the state and proximity to each other.
- Schools will be placed in the tournament bracket to maximize the number of teams competing based upon data collected. Team numbers/positions in the bracket will be randomly generated.
- Team records from the regular season will not be considered when placing teams in the bracket. Rather, proximity to one another within the cluster was the presiding factor utilized to set up the bracket.
- Any team who opts out of the tournament will be withdrawn from the bracket and their next scheduled opponent will automatically advance to the next round.
- **At all rounds of post season, it is recommended that each rostered student athlete on the varsity team, both home and away, are provided four (4) tickets per game. Should local school rules mandate a more restrictive policy regarding visitors and fans they may not be assigned to host a game.**

Hosting school is determined by their “team number”
Lowest team number will host; if same number a coin flip will be used
(#1 being the lowest number)

Softball –Division I

Wed. June 9th – Semifinals 4:00 p.m.

Region 1 vs Region 2

Region 3 vs Region 4

Saturday, June 12th – Finals 2:00 p.m.

@ Rivier College

Winner of Region 3 vs Region 4: Home Team

Softball –Division II

Wed. June 9th – Semifinals 4:00 p.m.

Region 1 vs Region 2

Region 3 vs Region 4

Saturday, June 12th – Finals 4:30 p.m.

@ Rivier College

Winner of Region 3 vs Region 4: Home Team

Softball –Division III

Wed. June 9th – Semifinals 4:00 p.m.

Region 1 vs Region 2

Region 3 vs Region 4

Saturday, June 12th – Finals 2:00 p.m.

@ Memorial Field, Concord

Winner of Region 3 vs Region 4: Home Team

Softball –Division IV

Wed. June 9th – Semifinals 4:00 p.m.

Region 1 vs Region 2

Region 3 vs Region 4

Saturday, June 12th – Finals 4:30 p.m.

@ Memorial Field, Concord

Winner of Region 3 vs Region 4: Home Team