## 2014-2015



TO: CIF-SS VARSITY BASEBALL COACHES<br>FROM: GLENN MARTINEZ, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER<br>DATE: JANUARY 10, 2015<br>RE: 2015 BASEBALL SEASON

In an effort to assist you with your organizational plans for the upcoming season, we have compiled the attached 2015 Baseball Preview. We hope its overall content will prove informative and serve as a reference point during the course of your daily routine. Hopefully, this preview will answer your questions, if not, do not hesitate to call. Enclosed you will find the following items. Please make sure they are shared with the other members of your coaching staff:

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## CIF-SS BASEBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Over the years, the CIF-SS Office has worked with the concept of establishing committees in all of the 25 sports for boys and girls, and the success of this program is being continued into the 2014/15 school year. The role of the advisory committee, which is comprised of coaches in the respective sport and an administrator from the CIF-SS Office, may or may not include the following:

1. Meetings
2. Recommendations for playoff sites
3. Recommendations for rules and procedural changes
4. Evaluation of sport season
5. Assistance to coaches and/or officials organizations
6. Liaison between coaches and/or officials organizations

We urge that if you have suggestions or questions, make use of this excellent channel of communication and pass the information along to one of the committee members. We will be meeting on a regular basis during the current baseball season and your items will become part of our agenda. Best of luck in your upcoming baseball campaign and if any of the below can be of assistance to you please do not hesitate to contact them personally.

For your reference, members of this year's Baseball Advisory Committee are:

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Moorpark High School
El Toro High School
Crean Lutheran High School
Bishop Amat High School
Baseball Management
Elsinore High School
Quartz Hill High School
Centennial High School/Corona
Bonita High School
Harvard-Westlake High School
Nuview Bridge High School
Don Lugo High School
St. Paul High School
VistaMurrieta High School
South Hills High School
Foothill High School/CBCA
Lakewood High School
Gahr High School
Woodcrest Christian High School
Palm Desert High School
Pilgrim High School
Tahquitz High School
Oak Hills High School
Sonora High School
Crescenta Valley High School
Cypress High School
Sierra Canyon High School
Beaumont High School

TO: CIF-SS BASEBALL COACHES
FROM: GLENN MARTINEZ, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
RE: 2015 BASEBALL TOP TEN POLL
DATE: JANUARY 15, 2015
Listed below are the members of the CIF-SS Baseball Coaches Advisory Committee responsible for notifying the CIF-SS office of the weekly Top Ten Poll. Although these polls help create interest, they will also be used for playoff seeding. Therefore, it is very important for coaches to contact their respective advisory committee member on a weekly basis. It is understood that this is a coach's poll and that no students or parents are involved with it. The CIF-SS office will send the coach's poll as part of our media mailing.

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It is important that coaches call or email their results to the committee members named above on the dates (Sundays) listed below:

February 22, March 8, March 15, March 22, April 5, April 12, April 19, April 26, May 3, 10 and May 15(Final Poll)

The CIF-SS Office will be doing ten polls during the season. Please start your calls or emails on Sunday, February 22, 2015. The above committee members will send the poll results to the CIF-SS office on the Monday following each of the above dates.

Note: Call scores in to the L.A. Times (1-800-528-4637), they will print scores this year. Also call Fred Roggin, NBC Sports on Tuesdays and Fridays to reports scores, (1-818-8404237).

## 2014 - 2015 PLAYOFF GROUPINGS

## DIVISION 1

1. Big VIII
2. Crestview
3. Empire
4. Foothill
5. Inland Valley
6. Marmonte
7. Mission
8. Moore
9. South Coast
10. Southwestern
11. Sunset
12. Trinity

DIVISION 4

1. Almont
2. Del Rio
3. Desert Sky
4. Freeway
5. Mojave River
6. Mt. Baldy
7. Orange
8. Orange Coast
9. Pioneer
10. River Valley
11. San Andreas
12. Sunkist
13. Tri-Valley

## DIVISION 7

1. Coastal
2. Coast Valley
3. Cross Valley
4. Express
5. Heritage
6. Hi-Lo
7. International
8. Majestic
9. Mulholland
10. Omega
11. Warrior

## DIVISION 2

1. Baseline
2. Channel
3. Citrus Belt
4. Coastal Canyon
5. North Hills
6. Pacific
7. Pacific View
8. Palomares
9. San Gabriel Valley
10. Sea View
11. Suburban

## DIVISION 5

1. Ambassador
2. Camino Real
3. De Anza
4. Gold Coast
5. Los Padres
6. Miramonte
7. Mission Valley
8. Montview
9. Mountain Pass
10. Mountain Valley
11. Olympic
12. Rio Hondo
13. San Joaquin

## DIVISION 3

1. Bay
2. Del Rey
3. Desert Valley
4. Garden Grove
5. Golden
6. Golden West
7. Hacienda
8. Ocean
9. PAC-8
10. Pacific Coast
11. Sunbelt
12. Valle Vista

## DIVISION 6

1. Academy
2. Agape
3. Arrowhead
4. Desert Mountain
5. Frontier
6. Liberty
7. Prep
8. Santa Fe
9. South Valley
10. Victory

## 2014-15 BASEBALL LEAGUES

| ACADEMY | BAY | COASTAL |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brethren Christian | Inglewood | Hawthorne MSA |
| Calvary Chapel/Downey | Mira Costa | Lennox Academy |
| Crean Lutheran South | Morningside | New Roads |
| Oxford Academy | Palos Verdes | Rolling Hills Prep |
| Sage Hill | Peninsula | Vistamar |
| St. Margaret's <br> Whitney | Redondo Union | Wildwood |
| AGAPE | $\underline{\text { BIG VIII }}$ |  |
| Apple Valley Christian | Centennial/Corona | $\underline{\text { COASTAL CANYON }}$ |
| Bethel Christian/Lancaster | Corona | Camarillo |
| Hesperia Christian | ML King | Moorpark |
| Lucerne Valley | Norco | Oak Park |
| Victor Valley Christian | Roosevelt | Royal |
|  | Santiago/Corona | Simi Valley |
| ALMONT | CAMINO REAL |  |
| Alhambra | Bishop Montgomery | $\underline{\text { CRESTVIEW }}$ |
| Bell Gardens | Cantwell Sacred Heart | Canyon/Anaheim |
| Mark Keppel | Mary Star | El Dorado |
| Montebello | St. Bernard | El Modena |
| San Gabriel | St. Monica Catholic | Esperanza |
| Schurr |  |  |
|  |  | CHANNEL |

DESERT MTN.
Boron
Desert
Desert Christian/ L
Lone Pine
Mammoth
Mojave
Silver Valley
Vasquez
DESERT SKY
Adelanto
Barstow
Granite Hills
Silverado
Victor Valley
DESERT VALLEY
Cathedral City
Coachella Valley
Indio
La Quinta/ LQ
Palm Desert
Palm Springs
Xavier Prep

## EMPIRE

Cypress
Kennedy
Pacifica/ GG
Tustin
Valencia/ P
Western

## EXPRESS

Avalon
Fairmont Prep
St. Michael's Prep
Tarbut V Torah

## FOOTHILL

Canyon/ CC
Golden Valley
Hart
Saugus
Valencia/ V
West Ranch

FREEWAY
Buena Park
Fullerton
La Habra
Sonora
Sunny Hills
Troy
FRONTIER
Cate
Fillmore
Foothill
Santa Paula
Thacher
Villanova Prep
GARDEN GROVE
Bolsa Grande
Garden Grove
La Quinta/Westminster
Los Amigos
Rancho Alamitos
Santiago/ GG

GOLD COAST
Brentwood
Campbell Hall
Christa McAuliffe
Crossroads
Paraclete
Sierra Canyon
Viewpoint
Windward
GOLDEN
Antelope Valley
Eastside
Highland
Knight
Lancaster
Littlerock
Palmdale
Quartz Hill
GOLDEN WEST
Loara
Ocean View
Orange
Santa Ana
Segerstrom
Westminster

## HACIENDA

Charter Oak
Chino
Diamond Ranch
Los Altos
Walnut
West Covina
HERITAGE
Faith Baptist
Guidance Charter
Lancaster Baptist
Santa Clarita Christian
Trinity Classical Academy

## HI-LO

Baker Valley
Big Pine
Immanuel Christian
Lee Vining
Trona

INLAND VALLEY
Arlington
Canyon Springs
J.W. North

Poly/Riverside
Rancho Verde
Valley View

INTERNATIONAL
Calvary Baptist
New Harvest Christian
Southwestern Academy
St. Monica Academy

## LIBERTY

Buckley
Milken Community
New Community Jewish
Pacifica Christian
Providence
Yeshiva

|  |  | OCEAN |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOS PADRES | MONTVIEW | Beverly Hills |
| Cabrillo/ L | Azusa | Culver City |
| Lompoc | Baldwin Park | El Segundo |
| Morro Bay | Duarte | Hawthorne |
| Nipomo | Gladstone | Lawndale |
| Orcutt Academy | Sierra Vista | Santa Monica |
| Santa Maria | Workman |  |
| Santa Ynez |  | OLYMPIC |
| Templeton | MOORE | Heritage Christian |
|  | Cabrillo/ LB | Maranatha |
| MAJESTIC | Compton | Valley Christian/ C |
| Bethel Christian/Riverside | Jordan | Village Chr. |
| Calvary Chapel/MV | Lakewood | Whittier Christian |
| Cornerstone Christian/W | Millikan |  |
| Grove | Poly/ LB | OMEGA |
| Packinghouse Christian | Wilson/ LB | Calvary Christian Concordia/Sylmar |
| MARMONTE | MOUNTAIN PASS | Einstein Academy |
| Agoura | Beaumont | Hillcrest Christian/TO |
| Calabasas | Citrus Hill | Newbury Park Adventist |
| Newbury Park | Hemet | Pilgrim |
| Oaks Christian | San Jacinto | Summit View |
| Thousand Oaks | Tahquitz |  |
| Westlake | West Valley | ORANGE |
|  |  | Anaheim |
| MIRAMONTE | MOUNTAIN VALLEY | Century |
| Bassett | Banning | Katella |
| Edgewood | Moreno Valley | Magnolia |
| Ganesha | Pacific | Santa Ana Valley |
| Garey | Rubidoux | Savanna |
| La Puente | San Bernardino |  |
| Pomona | Vista Del Lago | ORANGE COAST |
|  |  | Calvary Chapel/ SA |
| MISSION | MT. BALDY | Costa Mesa |
| Alemany | Alta Loma | Estancia |
| Chaminade | Chaffey | Godinez |
| Crespi | Colony | Laguna Beach |
| Harvard/ Westlake | Don Lugo | Saddleback |
| Loyola | Montclair |  |
| Notre Dame/ SO | Ontario | PAC- 8 |
| St. Francis |  | Arroyo Grande |
|  | MULHOLLAND | Atascadero |
| MISSION VALLEY | Animo Leadership | Mission College Prep |
| Arroyo | Environmental Charter | Paso Robles |
| El Monte | Pacific Lutheran | Pioneer Valley |
| Gabrielino | Shalhevet | Righetti |
| Marshall | Summit View West | San Luis Obispo |
| Mountain View |  | St. Joseph/SM |
| Rosemead | NORTH HILLS |  |
| South El Monte | Brea Olinda | PACIFIC |
|  | Foothill | Arcadia |
| MOJAVE RIVER | Villa Park | Burbank |
| Apple Valley | Yorba Linda | Burroughs/ B |
| Burroughs/Ridgecrest |  | Crescenta Valley |
| Hesperia |  | Glendale |
| Oak Hills |  | Hoover |
| Serrano |  | Muir |
| Sultana |  | Pasadena |

## PACIFIC COAST

Beckman
Corona del Mar
Irvine
Northwood
University
Woodbridge

## PACIFIC VIEW

Camarillo
Hueneme
Oxnard
Pacifica/ O
Rio Mesa
PALOMARES
Ayala, Ruben
Bonita
Claremont
Diamond Bar
Glendora
South Hills

## PIONEER

Centennial/ Compton
Leuzinger
North Torrance
South Torrance
Torrance
West Torrance

## PREP

Chadwick
Firebaugh
Flintridge Prep
Poly/ Pasadena
Rio Hondo Prep

## RIO HONDO

La Canada
Monrovia
San Marino
South Pasadena
Temple City

## RIVER VALLEY

Hillcrest
Jurupa Valley
La Sierra
Norte Vista
Patriot
Ramona

SAN ANDREAS
Arroyo Valley
Indian Springs
Jurupa Hills
Rialto
Rim of the World
San Gorgonio

SAN GABRIEL VLY
Dominguez
Downey
Gahr
Lynwood
Paramount
Warren

SAN JOAQUIN
Capistrano Valley Christian
Lutheran/ LaVerne
Saddleback Valley Christian
Southlands Christian
Webb

SANTA FE
Bellermine-Jefferson
Don Bosco Tech
Salesian
St. Anthony
St. Genevieve

SEA VIEW
Laguna Hills
Mission Viejo
San Clemente
San Juan Hills
Trabuco Hills
SOUTH COAST
Aliso Niguel
Capistrano Valley
Dana Hills
El Toro
Tesoro

SOUTH VALLEY
California Military
Calvary Murrieta
Nuview Bridge
Rancho Christian
Santa Rosa Academy
Temecula Prep

SOUTHWESTERN
Chaparral
Great Oak
Murrieta Mesa
Murrieta Valley
Temecula Valley
Vista Murrieta
SUBURBAN
Artesia
Bellflower
Cerritos
Glenn
La Mirada
Mayfair
Norwalk

SUNBELT
Elsinore
Heritage
Lakeside
Paloma Valley
Perris
Temescal Canyon
SUNKIST
Bloomington
Colton
Fontana
Grand Terrace
Kaiser
Summit

SUNSET
Edison
Fountain Valley
Huntington Beach
Los Alamitos
Marina
Newport Harbor

TRINITY
JSerra
Mater Dei
Orange Lutheran
Santa Margarita
Servite
St. John Bosco

TRI-VALLEY
Bishop Diego
Carpinteria
Grace Brethren
Malibu
Nordoff
Santa Clara
St. Bonaventure

## VALLE VISTA

Covina
Nogales
Northview
Rowland
San Dimas
Wilson/HH

## VICTORY

Bloomington Christian
Cornerstone Christian/Hemet
Desert Chapel
Desert Christian/ BD
Joshua Springs
Mesa Grande Academy
Palm Valley
Redlands Adventist
WARRIOR
Noli Indian
Public Safety Academy
San Jacinto Academy
Weaver
West Shores
FREELANCE
Dunn

## CIF SOUTHERN SECTION BASEBALL GUIDELINES

Following are key points of emphasis baseball coaches should review with their staffs and players in reference to CIF Southern Section rules and regulations as set down in the Blue Book. This list is NOT all-inclusive but only highlights some key areas.

## BBCOR Bat Standard

Any bat that is not a single piece of wood must meet the BBCOR (Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution) standard and must be properly marked with the BBCOR logo. The BBCOR logo must be one inch square and be placed on the barrel of the bat.

While BBCOR bats were permitted in 2011, they were not mandatory. No aluminum or composite bat without the BBCOR logo is legal beginning Jan. 1, 2012. Non-wood bats with only the BESR logo are illegal beginning Jan. 1, 2012.


## NEW BLUE BOOK RULES RULE 506 - PRACTICE ALLOWANCE

For the benefit of the physical and mental health of our student-athletes, all practices (as defined herein) under the auspices of the high school athletic program during the season of sport shall be conducted under the following conditions (See also Bylaw 504.M.):
A. All teams will be allowed no more than eighteen (18) hours of practice time per week and no more than four (4) hours in any single day.

1. Multiple Practice Sessions:
a. Double day practices shall not be held on consecutive days.
b. Must include a minimum of three (3) hours rest between practices.
2. Golf Only
a. In the sport of golf only, a team is allowed a maximum of two (2) days per week of 18hole practice rounds. (Counted as four (4) hours)
B. Any competition day would count as three (3) hours toward the allowable weekly and daily practice hours no matter the length of the contest(s). No practice may be held following the conclusion of any contest.
C. Definition of Practice
3. Any school team or individual activity organized by the coach that is intended to maintain or improve a student-athlete's skill proficiency in a sport; AND/OR
4. Any school team or individual activity that includes skill drills, game situation drills, inter-squad scrimmages or games, weight training, chalk talks, film review, meetings outside of school time (excluding parent meetings) that are implicitly/explicitly required by the coach; AND/OR
5. Any other coach-directed or supervised school team or individual activity or instruction for a specific sport (private, small group or positional instruction, etc); AND/OR
6. Any other team or individual instructions for a specific sport organized or supervised by any team member, or anyone else associated with the high school athletic program, team or school; AND
7. Outside organization activity (club, etc.), shall not be used to circumvent these Bylaws.
D. Other mandatory activities (including, but not limited to study hall, tutorial sessions, team dinners), shall not be considered part of practice time. These activities must be approved by the principal. Activities that would be included herein are exclusive to any activity already covered in number c. (1)-(5) above.
E. This Bylaw shall not supersede any School/District/Section policies that may be more restrictive.
F. Penalties Following the determination of a violation of CIF Bylaw 506, a loss of practice day(s) and/or other sanctions, for each practice session infraction, shall be imposed by the Section as deemed appropriate to the level, extent, and duration of the infractions (s). NOTE: For the purposes of this Bylaw, the season of sport begins with each CIF Section's first allowable date of practice.

## Rule 1503 TOURNAMENTS

A team may not be entered in more than three tournaments.
1503.1 For each tournament, a team will be charged two games toward the allowable maximum number of contests.

| QUESTION: Can a school enter two teams in the same tournament at the same level (i.e. varsity |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| "A" and varsity "B"? |  |
| ANSWER: | If a school chooses to split a single team into two teams in the same tournament at |
| the same level they will be charged one allotted tournament for each team entered. |  |
| If a school enters a varsity "A" and a varsity "B" team, they will be charged for two |  |
| (2) of the allowable three (3) tournaments for the season. |  |

1503.2 All tournaments, regardless of the number of teams participating, are allowed a maximum of 5 games while still counting as 2 of your allowable contests.
1503.3 Tournament managers are responsible for notifying participating schools of the number of games and/or teams participating in the tournament.

NOTE: Two contests could be played in the SAME TOURNAMENT only, but not two games in two different tournaments (see Bylaw 1511).

## NEW CIF BYLAW 1502

On January 30, the CIF State Federated Council voted to require all base coaches to wear a protective helmet. This rule goes into effect immediately and applies to all levels of high school baseball.

This is the wording of 1502: It is required that adult base coaches wear a protective helmet. Play will not continue until compliance with this rule is met. It is recommended that the helmet meet NOCSAE standards.

As per NFHS rules, players occupying coaches boxes must wear a NOCSAE approved helmet.
(Double ear flaps) Adult coaches are not required to wear a NOCSAE approved helmet, but they must wear a protective helmet. This rule applies to any team playing in the state of California.

The plate umpire shall not put the ball in play to begin a new half inning until he is sure all base coaches are properly equipped. An adult coach who does not wish to be in compliance must remain in the dugout.

## OUTSIDE COMPETITION (IN-SEASON)

A member of a high school baseball team may NOT, during his or her season of sport, compete for an outside team in the sport of baseball. A season of sport is defined as that period which begins with a student's first interscholastic competition (non-league, tournament or league game) and ends with that student's last interscholastic contest (non-league, tournament, league or CIF-SS playoff game).

## LEVEL OF COMPETITION

No student shall participate in more than one level of competition in the same sport in the same day.

## DUGOUT

Information on the current rules regarding coaches in the dugout are located in the memo from Ken Allan on page 20 of this bulletin. HOWEVER, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL COACHES BE ALLOWED TO SIT ON CHAIRS OR BUCKETS OUTSIDE THE DUGOUTS IN LIVE BALL TERRITORY.

## SOFTBALL RULING

The sport of baseball is considered to be separate and distinct from the sport of softball, and competition by a school baseball player on an outside softball team during the individual's baseball season $\underline{\text { IS }}$ PERMISSIBLE. Slow-pitch is considered to be softball.

## TIE GAMES

A regulation called game with a tie score shall be counted as $1 / 2$ game won and ${ }^{1 / 2}$ game lost for each team. This rule will apply to all contests and leagues MAY NOT WAIVE THIS RULE.

## SPORTSMANSHIP

There has been a great deal of concern about security for officials. It is strongly suggested that the home team have a representative to escort the officials to the playing field and back to your locker room and/or their car at the end of the contest. A responsible adult who can guarantee the security of the official should do this task.

## PLAYER CONDUCT

Any player ejected for any reason, or any player who leaves the confines of the bench or team area during a
fight that may break out or has broken out, shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the game and will be ineligible for the team's next contest. The next contest may not be a forfeited, postponed or canceled game. A second ejection will constitute a two-contest suspension and a third ejection will cause suspension for the remainder of the season. A player who was ejected from the previous contest who, knowingly or unknowingly, participates in or is in attendance at the next contest, will result in the forfeiture of that contest.

## NOTE: Rule 1519

Any player whose conduct merits ejection from a game by an official for fighting or assaultive behavior shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the game and will be ineligible for the team's next contest. After the suspension from play, the student may only return after certification by school principal that the student(s) has completed a conference with a school administrator. The appropriate form indicating the completion of the conference must be filed with the Section office prior to rejoining the team.

Any player who leaves the confines of the bench or team area during a fight that has broken out or may break out will be ineligible for the team's next contest. After the suspension from play, the student may return only after certification by the school principal that the student(s) has completed a conference with a school administrator. The appropriate from indicating the completion of the conference must be filed with the Section office prior to rejoining the team.

QUESTION: What is meant by attendance at a contest?
ANSWER: Attendance is defined as being present at the team bench/area, inside a gymnasium, stadium or playing area. Students ejected from a game in progress should remain under supervision of school staff. The intent of this rule is that the ejected person is not in attendance at the contest.

## COACH EJECTION

Upon ejection, the head or assistant coach shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the game and will be ineligible for the team's next contest. The next contest may not be a forfeited, postponed or canceled game. A second ejection will constitute a two-contest suspension and a third ejection will cause suspension for the remainder of the season. A coach who was ejected from the previous contest who, knowingly or unknowingly, participates in or is in attendance at the next contest, will result in the forfeiture of that contest.

As a final comment, it is important to remember that players, coaches, officials, and spectators are involved in the same contest. It is in our best interest to work together to provide a positive experience for all those involved. Positive relationships between coaches and officials can only enhance this experience, and it is hoped that all those involved make every effort possible to work in a positive manner with each other.

## PLAYOFFS

The 2015 Baseball Playoffs will be conducted in seven divisions, with each division made up of various leagues. (See attached list for your school's division placement.)

All 4-team leagues will be guaranteed two entries into the playoffs, all 5-6 team leagues will be guaranteed three entries into the playoffs and all 7-8 team leagues will be guaranteed four entries into the playoffs. 9 or more team leagues are guaranteed 5 entries into the playoffs. All playoff entries from the same league will compete in the same division in the playoffs. Under the playoff format in all sports, leagues have the
responsibility of developing and identifying the priority for their representatives into the playoffs as so noted under Article 320 (Playoffs) of the CIF Southern Section Blue Book. Please note that leagues may not conduct additional contests beyond the prescribed limits unless said contests are to determine ENTRY and not representative priority (leagues must have this as part of their constitution and must secure permission from the CIF-SS office before conducting such playoffs for entry).

## NEW Rule 3214.1

In all team sports other than basketball and wrestling, additional entries beyond a league's guaranteed number of entries will only be permitted to enter the playoffs to fill any byes which exist in the opening round. Wildcard contests will be situations where the number of teams that are guaranteed entries from their leagues necessitate that additional contests be played to reduce the number of teams entered to the required number of the original draw. (For example, when there are 37 teams entered as guaranteed entries from their leagues into a particular playoff draw, there must be 5 wildcard contests played to reduce the number of teams from 37 to 32 , the required number of the original draw.) At-large teams, teams meeting the at-large criteria (. 500 or better overall record), can only be accepted into the playoffs if there are openings in the original draw after all of the league's guaranteed entries are submitted. (For example, where there are 30 teams entered as guaranteed entries from their leagues into a 32-team draw, there would be 2 byes in the bracket and those byes could be filled by teams who were not guaranteed entries from their leagues who submitted at-large application forms for that particular sport and have an overall record of .500 or better in all games played during the regular season.) In the sport of football, a . 500 or better record is not required for at-large submission/selection.

In any playoff grouping other than basketball, at-large selections will be considered from the next place beyond the guarantee that are .500 or better. After all those schools have been taken and there are still positions available, the next place teams that are .500 or better will then be considered. An example would be in football, some divisions allow tow (2) entries per league. All $3^{\text {rd }}$ place teams would be taken before any $4^{\text {th }}$ place teams would be considered. (A tie will count as half a win and half a loss for a .500 record or better.) For specific information on the at-large selection process, see the respective Playoff Bulletin for each particular sport.

## Rule 3217 WILD CARD TEAMS

Where the number of teams exceeds the number of openings in the draw, the Commissioner may order a special playoff contest ("Wild Card System") to determine the draw for the playoffs. Insofar as host team designation in the regular playoff draw, this "Wild Card Contest" will have no bearing when such a procedure is used. The Commissioner, or his representative, will draw the contending $4^{\text {th }}, 3^{\text {rd }}$ team representatives (and $2^{\text {nd }}$ team representatives if required by the number of leagues in a division and the number of teams in the draw) or free lance teams by lot and conduct a coin flip between same for the purpose of designating the host team in such a "Wild Card" contest. For all enrollment based playoffs, please refer to specific sport bulletins.

## FREE LANCE

All freelance schools are reminded that in order to be considered for post-season competition, the CIF-SS office prior to the start of the season must evaluate their schedule. This can be done by mailing a copy of the schedule along with a request to the CIF-SS office. (See Rule 3210.)

## RULE 526 - TOBACCO PRODUCTS PROHIBITED

The use of tobacco products in conjunction with any CIF Southern Section athletic contest is prohibited. That is to include all those involved in the contest including players, coaches, and officials.

## RULE 1508.1 - SUMMERTIME RULES

With the exception of the summer dead period, until the beginning of the first official starting date for fall sports, there shall be no restriction on high school coaches working with high school students, or entering
them in summer baseball competition, provided approval is received from the school principal.

## MEDIA COVERAGE

National Federation Rule 1-2-8 states, "Media shall be prohibited from being in live-ball area. If a designated media area is to be used, it shall be established before the game begins. The home team or game management shall designate a lined area for the media, which shall be considered dead-ball area."

## TEN-RUN RULE

National Federation Rule 4-2-2 states that the 10-run rule is now optional, not mandatory, at the Varsity level. (Lower level contests are already governed by C.I.F. Blue Book Rule 1514). If a league wishes to adopt the 10 -run rule for their league games they can do so, but every league contest must be played under that rule. Tournaments may adopt it as well, but only if it is part of the tournament rules. Finally, the ten-run rule can be utilized in non-league contests, only if it is agreed upon by both schools, prior to the start of the contest. All C.I.F. playoff games will be played without the 10 -run rule. If the 10 -run rule is adopted by a league, tournament or utilized in a non-league contest, it shall be implemented as follows, "At the end of 5 innings, or $41 / 2$ innings with the home team ahead, if a team is ahead by 10 runs or more the game will be over."

## ACCOUNTABILITY RULE

The following is an excerpt from the article which appeared in the "Commissioner's Corner" in the CIF-SS January/February, 1982 Bulletin. We hope it will prove helpful to coaches in understanding the ACCOUNTABILITY RULE:
Without question, the most serious breach within the realm of our programs presents itself when an individual coach removes a team from the playing facility prior to the conclusion of a contest.

Ironically, the justification invariably lacks substance at a subsequent hearing -- personal dissatisfaction with an official or the citing of dangerous conditions is the usual tenor of that thrust.

It is also paradoxical that such action if spawned by the individual coach on the short end of the score at the time.
How serious is such an action?
It has been the position of the CIF-SS Executive Committee to expect the Principal of the school concerned to relieve the coach from his/her assignment for the balance of that season.

When one considers the focal point is to involve as many student-athletes in our programs as possible, we lack accountability to those considered the heart of our organization -- not to mention the officials, the entire student body, the district and the community.

Each individual contest, regardless of the sport, lasts but a few minutes. The damaging results from such an occurrence are timeless.

Administrators are urged to review this aspect and the potential consequences with their staffs at the start of each sport season -- it takes but a few minutes

## DUTIES OF THE PRINCIPAL (From the Blue Book)

RULE 125.1 - COACH EJECTION
Upon the ejection of a coach from any CIF-SS contest, it is the responsibility of the principal of said school to file a letter of explanation with the CIF Southern Section Office, which includes the circumstances surrounding the matter, and what action the principal has taken to prevent a recurrence. Said correspondence is to be filed within THREE school days of notification of the ejection. Additionally, upon ejection, the head or assistant coach shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the game
and will be ineligible for the team's next contest.
QUESTION: What happens if unknowingly a coach or player who was ejected the previous game participates in the next contest?

ANSWER: Anyone playing or coaching in a contest after they have been ejected from a previous contest will be an ineligible participant and the contest must be forfeited.

## RULE 125.2 - FAILURE TO COMPLETE A CONTEST

When a school fails to complete a contest, due to a coach pulling his/her team from the floor, court, or field, it is MANDATORY that the CIF-SS office be notified by the principal within 24 hours (excluding holidays and weekends). The competing schools and officials will be required to file written reports, and after review of the aforementioned material, the principal of the school involved will be required to respond to the CIF Southern Section office concerning his/her investigation of the incident.

QUESTION: How serious is such action?
ANSWER: It has been the position of the CIF-SS Executive Committee to expect the principal of the school concerned to relieve the coach from his/her assignment for the balance of that season or the Executive Committee is empowered to consider recommendations for additional penalties.

## Rules Reference

1-5-1

2-16-1f, g
2-21-4, 5

3-3-1f
3-3-1
PEN
$5-1-1 \mathrm{n}$
7-3-5c
7-3-7
7-3-7
PEN
Courtesy
Runner

## NFHS 2015 Baseball Rules Changes

Clairifed the compliant type of surface for batting helmets and reaffirmed that batting helmets shall meet the NOCSAE standard.

Clarified additional examples of a foul ball.
Clarified the distinction between follow-through interference and backswing interference.

Deleted the restriction of using video monitoring and reply equipment
Deleted the accompanying penalty.

Clarified that backswing interference is an immediate dead ball.
Clarified the rules for follow-through interference by the batter.
Clarified the rules for backswing interference by the batter.
Added the appropriate penalty for backswing interference.

Clarified how a courtesy runner is used in a specific scenario.

## Point of Emphasis

1. Hemet maintenance and usage
2. Pitching substitution/change
3. Sportsmanship - Celebrations around or near home plate
4. Sportsmanship - Post - game ejections

## Memorandum

DATE: January 2015
TO: CIF-SS Coaches
CIF-SS Umpires
COPY: Glenn Martinez
FROM: Ken Allan,
California State Baseball Rules Interpreter
Former Member, NFHS Rules Committee
RE: 2015 Rule Interpretations, Points of Emphasis
The following information is provided to commissioners, coaches and umpires in an effort to provide consistency in rule enforcement and game management. Any questions should be directed to Ken Allan at: kensport101@earthlink.net.

These are the significant rule changes, points of emphasis and interpretations for the 2015 season. Please be sure your lower division coaches have a copy.

## NEW RULES FOR 2015

CIF-SS
In late January, CIF-SS member schools will vote whether to require adult base coaches to wear protective helmets. Should this vote pass, and indications are that it will, it will go into effect with the 2015 season. You will be notified.

## 1-5-1

The outer covering of helmets worn by defensive players shall have a non-glare (mirror-like) surface. There is no penalty, but the helmet must be replaced.

## 2-16-11f, g

A foul is a batted ball (f) that hits the batter in the batter's box, or (g) that hits the ground or home plate and then hits the batter or the bat, which is held by the batter, while he is in the batter's box.
Comment: Generally speaking, if a batter is hit by a batted ball one step out of the batter's box, it should be ruled a foul ball. The reason is that part of the batter's box is in fair territory. Sometimes, when a batter is attempting a bunt, the ball will bounce directly up and hit the bat. This is a foul ball.

## 2-21-4, 5

This rule clarifies the terms "follow-though" and "backswing" interference. Follow-through and backswing interference are two separate and distinct acts and the penalties reflect their differences.

Follow-though interference occurs when a batter swings at a pitch and contacts the catcher or the catcher's glove. Depending on the situation, this interference carries a penalty on the batter.

Backswing interference occurs when a batter is taking practice swings while in the batter's box and inadvertently contacts the catcher's glove. The ball is dead immediately and there is no penalty on the batter.

## 3-3-1f; 3-3-1 PEN

Deleted the restriction and penalty of using video monitoring and replay equipment. Comment: The game of baseball has evolved and technology is now very affordable and available.

## 5-1-1n

Clarified that backswing interference is an immediate dead ball.

## 7-3-5c; 7-3-7

Clarified the rules for follow-through interference by the batter. Clarified the rules for backswing interference by the batter.

## 7-3-7 PEN

Added the appropriate penalty for backswing interference. Comment: Clarified the ball is dead immediately. There is no penalty on the batter.

## Courtesy Runner

In the event the offensive team bats around, the pitcher and/or catcher who had a courtesy runner inserted on their behalf, may bat in their normal position in the batting order.

## POINTS OF EMPHASIS

## Helmet Maintenance and Usage

The emphasis here is that teams should constantly maintain and monitor the condition of helmets. Batting helmet manufacturers normally provide a routine maintenance schedule either with the product or on their company's website.

## Pitching Substitution and Change

Some coaches are extending their time around the mound while the substitute pitcher completes his warm-up pitches. The coach should make his substitution known to the umpire-in-chief, relieve the game pitcher, instruct his defensive players quickly, and leave the diamond area heading back to the dugout/bench area.

## Sportsmanship, Celebrations Around or Near Home Plate, and Post-Game Ejections

Umpires should be very alert on game-ending plays, such as run-scoring base hits, when opposing players are in proximity of each other. The plate umpire should keep offensive players out of the home plate circle or out of an area approximately 15 feet from home plate on a dirt field. Umpires need to be more diligent with players' behavior since this is a perfect opportunity for bad sportsmanship actions that include taunting and other boorish behavior. Umpires should not let a game deteriorate on gameending plays.

Umpires and coaches are reminded that an ejection, which occurs before the umpires have left the field, is considered a "Post-Game Ejection" and is to be reported as such. The reporting of a post-game ejection report is handled in the same manner as an ejection during the game.

An ejection, which occurs after the umpires have left the playing field, is to be reported as a "PostGame Incident." and should be reported directly to the Section Commissioner, with copies to the appropriate personnel. It would then be up to the commissioner to determine penalties.

## REMINDERS

FOUL BALLS-In order to keep games moving more smoothly, it is strongly recommended that any ball retrieved by the on-deck hitter, or a long foul ball on the visitors side of the field, be rolled to the home dugout as soon as possible. If you are the visiting team and your on-deck batter retrieves a ball at the backstop, please have him roll it to the home dugout rather than taking it with him back to the on-
deck circle. This will also apply in tournament games when both teams are supplying baseballs. Doing this will allow the umpires to replenish baseballs from one source. This is even more critical in high school games in that the home team is only required to provide three baseballs. Let's give this a good effort as it should be a big help in keeping the game moving.

LINE UP CARDS-Please do not separate lineup cards. Just hand everything to the plate umpire. It is acceptable to provide a lineup card to the opposing team scorekeeper before the pregame meeting at home plate. Umpires are instructed to take the home lineup card first, then the visiting lineup card before inspecting either of the lineup cards.

LINEUP CARDS II-If you are using a designated hitter, please list the DH either directly below or directly across from the player for whom he is hitting. Please do not list the DH at the bottom of the lineup card, unless of course, he is batting for the player ninth in the order.

PREGAME MEETING-It has been noted that during the pregame meeting at home plate, members of the visiting team have often been observed outside their dugout warming up with bats. Rule 2-10-2 provides that BOTH teams must remain in the dugout during the pregame meeting. Please remind your teams.

LEAVING THE DUGOUT DURING A LIVE BALL-Coaches are doing a much better job in helping umpires enforce this rule. Players who leave the dugout to congratulate a scoring runner during a live ball will receive a team warning. Any following violators are subject to ejection. Coaches are also asked to remain in the dugout as provided by rule. Coaches may leave a dugout to position defensive players, but must return immediately to the confines of the dugout.

UMPIRE AUTHORITY AND ENFORCEMENT-The NFHS, again, wants to emphasize the importance of cooperation between coaches and umpires. Contrary to the opinion of some, umpires are not the enemy. The sole purpose of umpires is to administer the game and keep the game under control. To help achieve that end, coaches need to cooperate with umpires and comply with umpire requests. It is understandable that coaches will sometimes have issues with various developments during the game. However, coaches and umpires are expected to act in a professional manner. Once a coach has received an explanation of his question, the coach needs to return to the coaching box or dugout in a timely manner. Coaches who fail to comply with an umpire's request, such as remaining outside the dugout during a live ball, exaggerating the time for offensive and/or defensive conferences, gamesmanship and challenging the umpire's authority, cannot be tolerated in education-based athletics. Coaches must understand they are setting the sportsmanship example for their team. Everyone benefits when it is a positive example.

COACHING ATTIRE-Umpires are expected to enforce this rule. This is usually an issue in lower level games. As per rule 3-2-1, coaches must be in the uniform of their team. As a guideline, the following is acceptable: Baseball shoes, baseball pants, a jersey top similar to what the team is wearing, either a tee shirt with a team logo, wind shirt with a team logo, a jacket and a baseball cap. The following is NOT acceptable at ANY level: Coaches who are wearing shorts, or other nonbaseball attire such as, but not limited to, sweatpants, jeans, tennis shoes or sandals. These items are not permissible. The penalty for non-compliance is that the coach is restricted to the dugout. If the team's only coach is in non-compliance, he will be allowed on the field to participate in the pre-game meeting at home plate. He will also be allowed on the field to attend to an injured player. Otherwise, he must remain in the dugout.

THANKS-To all the coaches for their past cooperation and good luck for 2015.

## How to Argue With an Umpire

The following are highlights from an article by Jim Mantle with additional comments from Ken Allan*

1. Don't show up an umpire or grandstand. You're there to make your point, not put on a performance for the crowd.
2. Control your anger, no matter how ticked off you are. Most umpires will listen to arguments-none should have to listen to you yell at them. Also, be very careful about physical contact with an umpire. This is a very serious situation which could result in a suspension.
3. Recognize when it's futile. Some umpires, unfortunately, are a legend in their own mind. They don't understand they might have kicked one. When this happens, resist the urge to get in a parting shot.
4. Go to the umpire who made the call.
5. The word that may get you ejected immediately is not the dreaded F-word. It's the Y- word. You. As in "You are a terrible umpire," or "You are awful," etc. Better to direct the attention to the call not the umpire.
6. There is a chance you have the rule wrong, not the umpire. But, it could be the other way too. If you feel a rule is being misinterpreted you have the right to protest the game.
7. Pick your spots. You are stuck with the umpire for the rest of the game. Don't moan, bitch and gripe for the next two hours. That call is history. What you're really interested in are the calls for the rest of the game. Rattled umpires sometimes do not make good calls.
8. Set a positive role model for your players. Hustle your butt out there, make your point and leave.
9. Don't moan to your players about the umpire all game. All it does is teach the players that they can blame their lack of success on anything and/or everything external.
10. Know the rules to a reasonable level. If you've been chirping $1+1$ after every overthrow, don't expect to be taken seriously when you come out to discuss a rule interpretation.
11.* If you start yelling, "balk", or "he's not stopping," etc. from the dugout, or the coaching box, chances are you'll never get the call. The smart move is to discuss this with the umpire BETWEEN innings.
Reason: Imagine the other coach is yelling about a balk on your pitcher and then, sure enough, it gets called. Somewhere you'll have the feeling that the umpire may have been intimidated into making the call
11. Never bring a rulebook onto the field. The umpire is supposed to know the rules. If not, see item 6 .
12. If you do manage to get the umpires to confer with each other, you have achieved your objective, so stay away and let them confer. They'll call you over when they have made their decision.
14.* Please be tolerant in discussions with lower level umpires, many of whom are just learning the game and will make mistakes both in game management and the application of rules.
13. The umpire is in control of the game. Leave it that way. If the umpire cannot call a curveball, or won't give the outside comer, then his reality differs from yours. And his is the only one that counts. You and your players must deal with it. Adapt to it. If you and your players can adapt to it faster than the other coach and team, then you have an advantage.
14.     * FINALLY-When it's over, it's over. Getting into a shouting match with the umpires after the game is over only detracts from your credibility as a teacher and coach. If necessary, contact the proper people when you get home or better yet, the next day. If you encounter the official again, remember umpires are taught from day one that each game is a new contest and the slate is clean. That's also pretty good advice for coaches.

## CIF PITCHING LIMITATION RULE

A reminder concerning Blue Book Article 1501500 (d) regarding an appearance by the pitcher.
This is the rule: An appearance is defined as a pitcher pitching at least one pitch.
The interpretation is that a pitcher who delivers one pitch and is later removed from the mound, then returns to pitch later in the same game, shall be charged with two appearances.

PLAY: The starting pitcher is removed from the game as a pitcher in the $3^{\text {rd }}$ inning and either a.) moves to another defensive position, or b.) goes to the dugout. In the $5^{\text {th }}$ inning, the same pitcher returns to the mound. RULING: The pitcher is charged with two appearances.

## CIF POINTS OF EMPHASIS

GAME MANAGEMENT: Teams are doing a much better job of correctly lining the field. The most notable problems are the lack of markings for the three-foot running lane and the coaching boxes.

PREGAME EQUIPMENT/BAT INSPECTION: Along with asking if players are properly and legally equipped, umpires will now verify with coaches that all of their equipment (bats, batting helmets and catcher's helmets) are legal.

The specific language in rule 4-1-3b reads "equipped with bats that are unaltered from the original manufacturer's design and production and helmets that meet NFHS and NOCSAE standards and free of cracks or damage."

The result of that rule change means that umpires will no longer be required to do pregame equipment checks.

The penalty for using an illegal bat now also affects the coaches, since they have certified the legality of their equipment at the pregame meeting.

POST GAME BEHAVIOR: NFHS rules only cover the conduct of players and coaches during a game. There is no coverage of a penalty for coach or player conduct after a game. As a result, there have been instances of coaches and/or players, knowing there is no penalty, acting with non-sporting behavior toward umpires after a game.

In the event of post-game behavior by a coach or player that would result in an ejection during a game, the coach or player will be informed by the umpires that his behavior will be reported to the area liaison as an ejection. This policy is in effect until the umpires leave the game site.

Please note that the above has the full support of the CIF-SS.

## The Top 40 Baseball Rule Myths (As they apply to NFHS Rules)

1. The hands are considered part of the bat.
2. The batter-runner must turn to his right after over-running first base.
3. If the batter breaks his wrists when swinging, it's a strike.
4. If a batted ball hits the plate first it's a foul ball.

15 . The batter cannot be called out for interference if he is in the batter's box.
6. The ball is dead on a foul-tip.
7. The batter may not switch batter's boxes after two strikes.
8. The batter who batted out of order is the person declared out.
-9. The batter may overrun first base when he gets a pitched base-on-balls.
1 . The batter is out if he starts for the dugout before going to first after a dropped third strike.
11 . If the batter does not pull the bat out of the strike zone while in the bunting position, it's an automatic strike.
12 . The batter is out if a bunted ball hits the ground and bounces back up and hits the bat while the batter is holding the bat.
13 . The batter is automatically out if his foot touches the plate while swinging at a pitch.
1 14. The batter-runner is always out if he runs outside the running lane after bunting the ball.
$\$ 15$. A runner is out if he slaps hands or high-fives other players, or a base coach, after a home run is hit over the fence.
16 . Tie goes to the runner.
17 . The runner gets the base he's going to, plus one on a ball thrown out-of-play.
18. Anytime a coach touches a runner, the runner is out.

19 . Runners may never run the bases in reverse order.
120 . The runner must always slide when the play is close.
1 21. The runner is always safe when hit by a batted ball while touching a base.
-22. A runner may not steal on a foul-tip.
23. It is a force out when a runner is called out for not tagging up on a fly ball.
-24 . An appeal on a runner who missed a base cannot be a force out.
25 . A runner is out if he runs out of the baseline to avoid a fielder who is fielding a batted ball.
26. Runners may not advance when an infield fly is called.
27. No run can score when a runner is called out for the third out for not tagging up.
28. A pitch that bounces to the plate cannot be hit.
29. The batter does not get first base if hit by a pitch after it bounces.
30. If a fielder holds a fly ball for 2 seconds it's a catch.
31. A fielder must tag the base with his foot on a force out or appeal.
32. The ball is not immediately dead on a balk.
33. If a player's feet are in fair territory when the ball is touched, it is a fair ball.
34. The ball must always be returned to the pitcher before an appeal can be made.
35. With no runners on base, it is a ball if the pitcher starts his windup and then stops.
36. The pitcher must come to a set position before a pick-off throw.
37. The pitcher must step off the rubber before a pick-off throw.
38. If a fielder catches a fly ball and then falls over the fence it is a homerun.
39. The ball is dead anytime an umpire is hit by a thrown or batted ball.
40. The home plate umpire has the authority to overrule the other umpires at anytime.

During the 2015 CIF Southern Section Baseball Playoffs, the Rawlings CIF-SS baseball will be the mandatory baseball for all playoff games. The home team will be responsible for supplying the required baseball for all playoff contests, beginning with the wild-card games and in each round to follow. The CIF Southern Section will supply all baseballs for the Championship Finals.

Any school found to be out of compliance with the mandatory use policy will be sanctioned in the following manner:

- Following the CIF-SS office receipt of a non-compliance report, the offending school will lose its next opportunity to host a playoff game.
- For purposes of calculating future home game opportunities during the playoff season, any game for which a team is sanctioned will count toward its total of home games played.
- Should a sanctioned school not have the opportunity to host a playoff contest (eliminated from playoffs), the penalty shall be carried over to next year's playoff season.


## 2015 BASEBALL PLAYOFF DATES AND SITES

Listed below are the approved post-season playoff dates and sites for the 2015 baseball season in the CIF Southern Section.

WILD CARD ROUND - Designated home sites
Divisions 1,3,5 and 7 - Tuesday, May 19, 2015
Divisions 2,4 and 6 - Wednesday, May 20, 2015

## FIRST ROUND - Designated home sites

Divisions 1, 3, 5 and 7 - Thursday, May 21, 2015
Divisions 2, 4 and 6- Friday, May 22, 2015

SECOND ROUND - Designated home sites
All Divisions - Tuesday, May 26, 2015

QUARTERFINALS - Designated home sites
All Divisions - Friday, May 29, 2015

## SEMIFINALS - Designated home sites, except Division I

Division 1 - Tuesday, June 2, 2015 - Blair Field, Long Beach
Divisions 2 through 7 - Tuesday, June 2, 2015

## FINALS

Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4- June 6th - TBD
Divisions 5, 6 and 7 - June 6th- TBD

SCRIMMAGE DATE - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2015
FIRST CONTEST - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2015
LAST CONTEST - FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015
By action of the Southern Section Council, all league entries must be in the Southern Section Office by 11:00 p.m., Friday, May 15, 2015.

## 2015 BASEBALL SANCTIONED EVENTS

| Event | Date of Event | Host School | Contact Person | Level | Status |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Central Coast Tournament | 2/28/2015 | Santa Ynez | Ken Fredrickson | V-JV | Approved |
| Don Lugo Pre-Season Tournament | 2/28/2015 | Don Lugo | Joe Marcos | V-JV | Approved |
| Redlands Baseball Invitational | 2/28/2015 | Redlands | Estevan Valencia | V | Approved |
| Dicks Sporting Goods Preseason Baseball Tournament | 2/28/2015 | Bonita | John Knott | All | Approved |
| Dicks Sporting Good Pre Season Basbeall Tournament | 2/28/2015 | Bonita | John Knott | All | Approved |
| Don Lugo Pre-Season Baseball | 2/28/2015 | Don Lugo | Joe Marcos | V-JV | Approved |
| Edison First Pitch Tournament | 2/28/2015 | Edison | Cameron Chinn | V-JV | Approved |
| Upland High School Varsity Baseball Tournament | 3/2/2015 | Upland | Mike Alonso | V | Approved |
| Hemet High School JV Baseball Tournament | 3/2/2015 | Hemet | Robert Lopez | All | Approved |
| Newport Elks Varsity Baseball Tournament | 3/5/2015 | Foothill | Vince Brown | V | Approved |
| Loara Tournament | 3/5/2015 | Loara | Dave Lappin | V | Approved |
| Chino High School Brian Hamilton Preseason Baseball Tournament | 3/6/2015 | Chino | Steven Falls | V | Approved |
| El Segundo Baseball Tournament | 3/6/2015 | El Segundo | Steve Eno | V | Approved |
| Hemet High School Freshman Baseball Tournament | 3/7/2015 | Hemet | Robert Lopez | F | Approved |
| Quartz Hill JV Inv. Baseball Tournament | 3/9/2015 | Quartz Hill | Aaron Kavanagh | JV | Approved |
| Quartz Hill Varsity Baseball Tournament | 3/9/2015 | Quartz Hill | Aaron Kavanagh | V | Approved |
| Harvard-Westlake 2015 Spring Select Varsity and JV Tournamnet | 3/14/2015 | HarvardWestlake | Matt LaCour | All | Approved |
| John Massari | 3/20/2015 | Antelope Valley | Micah Davis | V | Approved |
| Del Rio League Classic | 3/20/2015 | La Serna | Steve Hemenway | V-JV-F | Approved |
| Palomares Baseball League Tournament | 3/20/2015 | South Hills | Darren Murphy South Hills | V-JV-F | Approved |
| Sargeant's Sporting Goods Classic | 3/21/2015 | La Serna | Anthony Gonzales Jr | V | Approved |
| Vista Murrieta JV and Freshman Baseball Tournament | 3/21/2015 | Vista Murrieta | Matt Mosiello | JV | Approved |
| Vista Murrieta JV and Freshman Baseball Tournament | 3/21/2015 | Vista Murrieta | Matt Mosiello | F | Approved |
| 10th Annual Gahr JV Frosh Soph Saturday Tournament | 3/21/2015 | Gahr | Gerardo Perez | JV-F/S | Approved |
| Righetti JV Baseball Tournament | 3/28/2015 | Righetti | Brian Tomooka | JV | Approved |
| Cardinal Classic Spring Baseball Tournament | 3/30/2015 | Santa Paula | Gabe Diaz | V | Approved |
| 2nd Annual Cypress Gahr Spring Break Tournament | 3/30/2015 | Gahr | Jon Weber/Gerardo Perez | JV-F/S | Approved |
| DARRYL KILE MEMORIAL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT | 4/1/2015 | Norco | GARY PARCELL | V | Approved |
| Foothill JV Baseball Tournament Foothill F/S Baseball Tournament | $\begin{aligned} & 4 / 4 / 2015 \\ & 4 / 4 / 2015 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Foothill Foothill | Vince Brown Vince Brown | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{JV} \\ & \mathrm{~F} / \mathrm{S} \end{aligned}$ | Approved Approved |
| JSerra JV Spring Tournament | 4/4/2015 | JSerra | Brett Kay | JV | Approved |
| Damien High School Freshman Easter Classic | 4/4/2015 | Damien | Andy Nieto | F | Approved |
| Atascadero Easter Tournament | 4/6/2015 | Atascadero | Sam DeRose | V | Approved |
| Righetti Spring Classic | 4/7/2015 | Righetti | Brian Tomooka | V | Approved |
| Don Lugo Easter Baseball Tournament | 4/7/2015 | Don Lugo | Joe Marcos | V | Approved |
| Boras Classic of California (South) | 4/7/2015 | JSerra | Brett Kay | V | Approved |
| Down on the Farm Freshman Tournament | 4/11/2015 | Sierra Vista | Brett Stevens | F | Approved |

## COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROCEDURES

While risk of one athlete infecting another with HIV/AIDS during competition is close to nonexistent, there is a remote risk that other blood borne infectious diseases can be transmitted. For example, Hepatitis B can be present in blood as well as in other body fluids. Procedures for reducing the potential for transmission of these infectious agents should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- The bleeding must be stopped, the open wound covered and if there is an excessive amount of blood on the uniform it must be changed before the athlete may participate.
- Routine use of gloves or other precautions to prevent skin and mucous-membrane exposure when contact with blood or other body fluids is anticipated.
- Immediately wash hands and other skin surfaces if contaminated (in contact) with blood or other body fluids. Wash hands immediately after removing gloves.
- Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with an appropriate disinfectant before competition resumes.
- Practice proper disposal procedures to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpels, and other sharp instruments or devices.
- Although saliva has not been implicated in HIV transmission, to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, mouthpieces, resuscitation bags or other ventilation devices should be available for use.
- Athletic trainers/coaches with bleeding or oozing skin conditions should refrain from all direct athletic care until the condition resolves.
- Contaminated towels should be properly disposed of/disinfected.
- Follow acceptable guidelines in the immediate controls of bleeding and when handling bloody dressings, mouth-guards and other articles containing body fluids.

Additional information is available from your state high school association and from the NFHS.

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THURS., MAY 22
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OUTFIELD FENCE

SEMIFINALS
TUES., JUNE 3
OUTFIELD FENCE

FINALS
DODGER STADIUM
FRI., JUNE 6 5:00 P.M.


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| TUES., MAY 27 | FRI., MAY 30 | TUES., JUNE 3 | UC RIVERSIDE |
|  | OUTFIELD FENCE | OUTFIELD FENCE | SAT., JUNE 7 |
|  |  |  | $4: 00$ P.M. |



| * South Torrance | Pioneer \#1 |
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| *S Rancho | Del Rio \#3 |


| * Victor Valley | Desert Sky \#1 | Victor Valley | South Torrance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1:00 pm |  |  | 4-3 |  |
| Ramona | River Valley \#2 | 6-1 |  |  |
| * San Marino | Rio Hondo \#1 | *San Marino |  | South Torrance |
|  |  |  |  | 3-1 |
| Mark Keppel | Almont \#2 | 10-0 |  |  |
| * Oaks Christian | Tri Valley \#1 | Oaks Christian ${ }^{\text {F }}$ | *Oaks Christian |  |
|  |  |  | 2-1 |  |
| Katella | Orange \#3 | 2-1 |  |  |



| Nordhoff | Tri Valley \#3 | $\frac{\text { *Laguna Beach }}{8-0}$ |  |  | 4-3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * Alhambra | Almont \#1 | F | Laguna Beach |  |  |
|  |  | Alhambra | 2-0 |  |  |
| Fontana | Sunkist \#2 | 3-2 |  |  |  |
| * Century | Orange \#1 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Century | F | Laguna Beach |  |
| Monrovia | Rio Hondo \#2 | 2-0 |  | 5-3 |  |
| * Sonora | Freeway \#1 | F | *Sonora |  |  |
|  |  | *Sonora | 2-1 |  |  |
| Patriot | River Valley \#3 | 2-0 |  |  |  |

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## RE: OFFICIAL BALL PROGRAM - MANDATORY USE IN PLAYOFFS

## Official Ball per sport:

| - Baseball: <br> - Boys Basketball: | Rawlings CIF-SS Mut te CIFSS ramped ball, not an alemative Rawingr |
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|  | Rawlings RCIF-SS New opti ce introduce dor 20 |
|  | Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic NFHS |
|  | Spalding TF1000 Legacy NFHS |
| - Girls Basketball: | Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic 28.5 NFHS |
|  | Spalding TF1000 Legacy 28.5 NFHS |
| - Football: <br> - Soccer: | Spalding ball with NFHS : my mode with NFHS stmp |
|  | Spalding TF-SC5 NFHS for both bogs and girls ure ©New model \# as of 201 |
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|  | Spalding TF5000 NFHS for beth boys mod gits use. (low mosed $\#$ as of 2013-14) |
| - Softball: | Dudley CFP12Y NFHS |
| - Tennis: | Wilson Tennis Ball; , wHS tamp not required |
| - Volleyball: | Spalding with NFHS stamp: TF-VB5, TF-VB3 (Nem for 2013-14) |
|  | Spalding with NFHS stamp: TF5000, TF3000, TF1500 |
| - Boys Water Polo: | KAP7 model 105 with NFHS stamp |
| - Girls Water Polo: | KAP7 model 104 with NFHS stamp |

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## Mandatory Playoff Use Requirement:

The mandatory "official" ball rule for all playoff rounds, excluding golf. The rule applies throughout the conduct of all CIF-SS plavoff contests.

## Playoff Ball Use Rule Enforcement:

Should a school fail to provide the correct game ball, the game will always be played. Teams/schools failing to utilize the correct official ball in CIF-SS playoffs will be reported by officials to CIF-SS and will not be allowed to host their next available home playoff game. Penalty does carry over to the next season if not enforceable this season due to elimination.

Note: NFHS stamp is required in all sports except in golf and tennis.

## 2015 Nominees for All-CIF Baseball Ballot

Include statistics that are up to date for all regular season games. Stats from playoff games are not to be included. Be as detailed and complete as possible. If nominating more than one player: list your choices in the order of your preference for consideration by the panel's vote. Nominating Coach: $\qquad$ School: $\qquad$ CIF Playoff Division: $\qquad$
Email Address: $\qquad$ League $\qquad$ Your Team's League finish $\qquad$
4 player limit only if first place in league...Only 20 players will be honored in each division! 1 player limit if Non-CIF playoff team


Submit ASAP after last league game ${ }^{* * *}$ Deadline May $29^{\text {th }} * * *$ Do Not Wait! Voting is first week in June!!!
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