2024 NSAA State Softball Championships

October 16th, 17th, 18th, October 21st Bill Smith Softball Complex – Hastings, NE Connie Claussen Field (UNO) – Omaha, NE



Media Guidelines

All credentials must be worn and displayed at all times and are only to be used by full-time and/or significant part-time employees. Those employees must be in a legitimate working capacity. NSAA media credentials are not for the use of children, sponsors, friends, family, spouses, parents or other individuals not representing a legitimate media outlet. Members of the media not abiding by the guidelines will have credentials reviewed for future events.

Start Times: The first-round games will begin at 9 AM on Wednesday, October 16th. Brackets will be seeded and posted on the NSAA website prior to the Championship. *Please Note – games* <u>will not start before</u> a scheduled start time, but fields <u>will not</u> be held to start simultaneously if another field is delayed.

Conduct/Etiquette: As members of the media, you are representing your media organization. Professional conduct is required at all times. Team attire (i.e. booster buttons, school team shirts, etc.) will not be permitted by members of the media. Cheering directed toward a specific school or participant will not be allowed. Our goal is to maintain equity in the competitive environment.

Photographs: Photographers are not allowed to shoot photos from inside the dugouts. At the Bill Smith Complex, scaffolding will be placed on the outside fence line for media use. Media must stay behind the chain-linked fence. Media may access the spectator areas in outfield behind the fence line. Precautions should be taken when entering the playing area at all times. **Please Note – Scaffolding is to be used at your own personal risk.*

Interviews: Any interviews are at the discretion of the coaches before or after games. No interviews will be held on the field or in the dugout.

Score Updates: The <u>NSAA website</u> will have an updated bracket and live scores for each class. Periodic updates will also be available via Twitter (<u>@nsaaevents</u>).

Statistics: Regular season team statistics <u>may be found on MaxPreps</u>. Full stats and box scores from the State Champinoships via GameChanger will also be available on the NSAA website.

Web Coverage: All games prior to the championship finals of the NSAA Softball Championships will be available via a live stream through a subscription to the <u>NFHS Network</u>. Championship Finals will be broadcast live on Nebraska Public Media on Monday, October 21st.

Broadcasting: <u>Broadcast request forms</u> must be submitted by *4pm Monday, October 14th*. Any live coverage of NSAA State Championships will be subject to Broadcast Rights fees. The NSAA will attempt to meet all requests if possible.

*Live Video/Streaming coverage is prohibited without the expressed written consent of the NSAA.

Bill Smith Softball Complex: (Internet data lines and WiFi are available at this site)

Parking: Free parking can be accessed by showing your 2024-25 NSAA Media credential.

Admission: Media must show & display NSAA issued media credentials for free admission to the Championship. The media pass gate is located directly to the left of the general admission ticket gate.

Check-In: After admission at the gate, media members can proceed to media check-in, located on the 3rd floor of the main building, which is accessible through the north stairwell entrance. Media members will be required to check-out a media vest for access to photo areas and will receive a Championship Program at that time. Reserved media/broadcast space will be available on the 2nd floor concourse, on each field. Additional media workspace will be available on the 2nd floor as well.

Connie Claussen Field (UNO): (Internet data lines and WiFi are available at this site)

Parking: Free parking in Lot 20 can be accessed by showing your 2024-25 NSAA Media credential. See attached parking map.

Admission: Media must show & display NSAA issued media credentials for free admission to the Championship. Media can enter on the south end of the complex.

Check-In: After gate admission, media will proceed to the Press Box. A Championship Program and any other additional information will be available. Space is available for print and radio in the press box area.

