



*2021 DIVISION II*  
**BASEBALL**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**

***PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP***  
***2020-21 MANUAL***

# NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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# Section 1 • Introduction

The Pre-Championship Manual will serve as a resource for institutions to prepare for the championship. This manual is divided into three sections: General Administrative Guidelines, Sport-Specific Information, and Appendixes.

Sections one through eight apply to policies applicable to all 90 championships, while the remaining sections are sport specific.

## Section 1•1 Definitions

**Pre-championship Manual.** Resource for institutions to prepare for the championship.

**Administrative Meeting.** Pre-championship meeting for coaches and/or administrators.

**Appendixes.** Any supplemental documents to be provided and distributed through the various resources.

**Championship Manager.** The NCAA staff member(s) responsible for the operational oversight of the championship.

**Games Committee.** The committee assigned to supervise the conduct of each championship session at a specific site. For finals sites, the games committee is typically the NCAA national committee.

**NCAA National Committee.** The sport committee with direct oversight responsibilities for the championship.

**Non-predetermined Sites.** Those sites that are selected to host at the time of the participant/team selections announcement.

**Playing Rules.** The rules under which the competition will be conducted.

**Predetermined Sites.** Those sites that are selected to host before the participant/team selections announcement.

**Preliminary Rounds.** The rounds of the championship before the final or championship round.

**Regional Alignment.** The geographic location of institutions or regional advisory committees.

**Schedule of Events.** Official event schedule – includes all required activities (e.g., practices, banquets, etc.).

**Selection Criteria.** Policies and procedures in place to guide the team selection process.

**Site Selection Criteria.** Policies and procedures in place to guide the site selection process.

**Squad Size.** Number of student-athletes per team allowed to dress in uniform and participate at the championship.

**Tournament Physician.** The physician designated by the host institution/conference to serve as the chief medical advisor for the championship.

# Section 2 • Championship Core Statement

The championships and alliances staff strives to administer competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner so that the experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

This is attained by:

**Ensuring** student-athletes' optimal experience.

**Executing** championship events reflecting appropriate quality and values to/for stakeholders — student-athletes, coaches, administrators, member institutions, sport committees, fans, broadcast partners and corporate champions/partners.

**Coordinating** all aspects of the championship in an efficient, effective manner through common operating policies and practices, using internal and external resources.

**Integrating** championships with broadcast and corporate relationships in a manner that maintains the integrity of the championship.

**Assuring** effective management of the business aspects of the operation.

**Enhancing** the assets of the NCAA and their value by collaborating with internal and external expertise to achieve heightened exposure (e.g., community programs, fan events, banquets, anniversaries, etc.).

## Section 3 • Concussion Management

*[Reference: Concussion Management in Constitution 3.2.4.20 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4.17 in the NCAA Division II Manual, and Constitution 3.2.4.17 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Traveling institutions shall follow their concussion management plan while participating in NCAA championships. If a participating team lacks appropriate medical staff to activate its concussion management plan, the host championship concussion management plan will be activated.

The legislation notes, in part, that a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion is precluded from returning to athletics activity for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and medical clearance for return to athletics activity shall be determined by the team physician or the physician's designee from the student-athlete's institution. In the absence of a team physician or their designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance. Within the rules of the sport and policies established for the championship, medical staff should have access to the injured student-athlete without interference (e.g., coach).

A concussion is a brain injury that may be caused by a blow to the head, face, neck or elsewhere on the body with an "impulsive" force transmitted to the head. Concussions can occur without loss of consciousness or other obvious signs. A repeat concussion that occurs before the brain recovers from the previous one (hours, days or weeks) can slow recovery or increase the likelihood of having more severe and/or long-term problems. In rare cases, repeat concussions can result in brain swelling, permanent brain damage and even death.

For further details, please refer to the NCAA [Sport Science Institute website](#) for additional guidance.

## Section 4 • Conduct

### Section 4•1 Certification of Eligibility/Availability

*[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in Constitution 3.2.4 and Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 31.2.1.7.1, 31.2.1.7.1.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaws 31.2.1.5 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. Member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition.

Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championship competition.

#### DISCOVERY OF INELIGIBILITY OF A STUDENT-ATHLETE AFTER SELECTION

If an institution fails to report an ineligible student-athlete and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution's withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another institution participates in the championship in place of the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sport committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

### Section 4•2 Drug Testing

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*[Reference: Bylaws 18.4.1.4 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaws 18.4.1.4 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

Student-athletes who compete in NCAA championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.4 and 31.2.2 (Division I), 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 (Division II) and 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 (Division III), and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. Only student-athletes who have consented in writing to such testing are initially eligible for these championships; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.

### Section 4•3 Honesty and Sportsmanship

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Individuals employed by (or associated with) a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics and all participating student-athletes shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

### Section 4•4 Misconduct/Failure to Adhere to Policies

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#### MISCONDUCT

Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship, that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics. Each games committee shall hold an administrative meeting with the representatives of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

#### FAILURE TO ADHERE TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A governing sport committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing the administration of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with the procedures and deadlines for submitting scores, score sheets, schedules, rosters and entry/march-in forms for qualification and other materials necessary for the efficient administration of the competition. [Click here to see the full misconduct/failure to adhere to policies and procedures online.](#)

### Section 4•5 Sports Wagering Policy

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Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; internet sports wagering; mobile betting; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

The current NCAA legislation against sports wagering prohibits NCAA student-athletes, member institutions' athletics staff and non-athletics staff with athletics responsibilities, and conference office staff from participating in sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics practice or competition in a sport in which the NCAA conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women.

A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner, etc.) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.

#### STUDENT-ATHLETES

A student-athlete found in violation of the prohibition against knowingly participating in any sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activity that involves intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition shall be ineligible for further intercollegiate competition, subject to appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of eligibility.

## POSTSEASON

In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions where there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize. Student-athletes and administrators may participate under current NCAA rules in bracket contests where there is no entry fee but a possibility of winning a prize. Some NCAA member schools, however, have chosen to ban student-athletes from participating in these types of bracket contests.

## HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES

It is permissible for NCAA championships to be conducted at locations in states that permit sports wagering.

## Section 4•6 Student-Athlete Experience Survey

After each championship, institutional administrators, coaches and student-athletes will be asked to participate in a post-event survey intended to capture feedback on their recent championship experience. Institutional administrators and coaches will receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to ensure participation from all student-athletes.

## Section 5 • Elite 90™ Award

The Elite 90 award was created to recognize the true essence of student-athletes by honoring individuals who have reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in their sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among their peers. The award is presented in every sport, every division, and goes to the student-athlete who has the highest cumulative grade-point average of all student-athletes on all teams competing at the finals site. Each institution that has at least one student-athlete qualify for the final round/site is eligible to nominate a student-athlete for the award. One student-athlete per championship will receive the award, and the announcement of the winner will be made at the finals site.

Institutions that wish to nominate a student-athlete must do so through an online nomination process. For more information or access the online form and submit a nomination, go to [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org).

## Section 6 • Fan Travel

Through support from Marriott International as the Official Hotel Partner of the NCAA, NCAA championships are pleased to provide easy and affordable accommodations for family and fans to follow their favorite student-athlete(s) and team(s) as they participate in NCAA championships competition. Travel arrangements completed through Marriott and NCAA Travel help support NCAA student-athletes. Please direct your fans to [NCAA.com/travel](http://NCAA.com/travel) to search and book online hotel reservations.

## Section 7 • Logo Policy

*[Reference: Bylaws 12.5.4, 31.1.7 and 31.1.8 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

A student-athlete may use athletics equipment or wear athletics apparel that bears the trademark or logo of an athletics equipment or apparel manufacturer or distributor in athletics competition and pre- and postgame activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met:

1. Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer's normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and
2. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warmups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a

single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 2-1/4 square inches in area (rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel shall not bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's trademark/logo that is in addition to another trademark/logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

## Section 8 • Research

It is essential that all research efforts be coordinated by a single entity within the national office structure in order to ensure maximum efficiency and quality, avoid unnecessary duplication of effort on the part of staff and membership, allow the NCAA to prioritize research efforts given the limited time and resources of our members and adhere to federal guidelines on the responsibilities of researchers to properly protect research participants from harm.

For the purpose of this policy, "research" is defined as any systematic collection of data for the purpose of drawing generalized conclusions.

Any proposal to conduct research must be submitted to the NCAA research staff for review at least six weeks before the project begins. Research to be conducted during NCAA championships or related events, and which involves competing student-athletes or attendees, is also subject to review. This includes all research, including that conducted by or under the direction of any employee, contractor or paid consultant of the NCAA. It also includes any research conducted by other persons, but funded totally or in part by the NCAA. Any research that detracts from the student-athlete experience or requires physical activity may not be permitted at the championships (preliminary rounds and finals sites). The NCAA retains sole discretion as to whether to allow such research.

Examples of activities considered research include: Conducting surveys of athletics administrators, college presidents, faculty, coaches and student-athletes; leading an organized focus group; funding an outside study under the auspices of the NCAA; conducting market research at championship events; secondary analysis of data originally collected by the NCAA from people for other purposes; any systematic collection of data from the membership or other entities; etc.

## Section 9 • Division II

### Section 9.1 Division II Philosophy

In addition to the purposes and fundamental policy of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, as set forth in Constitution 1, members of Division II believe that a well-conducted intercollegiate athletics program, based on sound educational principles and practices, is a proper part of the educational mission of a university or college and that the educational well-being and academic success of the participating student-athlete is of primary concern. (Revised: 1/14/08 effective 8/1/08)

Higher education has lasting importance on an individual's future success. For this reason, the positioning statement for the division and the emphasis for the student-athlete experience in Division II is a comprehensive program of learning and development in a personal setting. The Division II approach provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, learning in high-level athletics competition and development of positive societal attitudes in service to community. The balance and integration of these different areas of learning provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating a variety of skills and knowledge for life ahead.

Members support the following attributes in the belief that these attributes assist in defining the division's priorities and emphasize the division's position within the Association: Learning, Service, Passion, Sportsmanship, Resourcefulness and Balance. The positioning statement and the attributes shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs, initiatives and policies by member institutions, conferences and the Division II governance structure.

- a. Furthermore, a member of Division II believes in a set of common features, which assist in defining the division. Such features include exceptional teacher-to-student ratios that provide student-athletes with a quality education, a unique model of staffing in which coaches provide additional services such as teaching and mentoring, and the



development of community partnerships and student-athlete participation in community engagement activities. A member of Division II also believes in the following principles, which assist in defining the division: *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

- b. Promoting the academic success of its student-athletes, measured in part by an institution's student-athletes graduating at least at the same rate as the institution's student body; *(Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- c. That participation in intercollegiate athletics benefits the educational experience of its student-athletes and the entire campus community; *(Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- d. Offering opportunities for intercollegiate athletics participation consistent with the institution's mission and philosophy; *(Revised: 1/14/97, 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- e. That championships are intended to provide national-level competition among eligible student-athletes and teams of member institutions; *(Revised: 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*
- f. Preparing student-athletes to be good citizens, leaders and contributors in their communities; *(Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- g. Striving for equitable participation and competitive excellence, encouraging sportsmanship and ethical conduct, enhancing diversity and developing positive societal attitudes in all of its athletics endeavors; *(Revised: 1/14/97, 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- h. That institutional staff members, including presidents and athletics personnel, shall hold prospective and enrolled student-athletes and themselves to the highest standards of personal conduct at all times, including exemplary behavior that reflects respect for the rights and dignity of opponents, teammates, officials, other students and the community at large; *(Adopted: 1/14/12 effective 8/1/12)*
- i. Scheduling the majority of its athletics competition with other members of Division II, insofar as regional qualification, geographical location and traditional or conference scheduling patterns permit; *(Revised: 1/14/97)*
- j. Recognizing the need to "Balance" the role of the athletics program to serve both the institution (e.g., participants, student body, faculty-staff) and the general public (e.g., community, area, state); *(Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- k. Offering an opportunity for participation in intercollegiate athletics by awarding athletically related financial aid to its student-athletes; *(Revised: 1/14/97, 1/14/02 effective 8/1/02)*
- l. That institutional control is a fundamental principle that supports the educational mission of a Division II institution and assumes presidential involvement and commitment. All funds supporting athletics should be controlled by the institution. The emphasis for an athletics department should be to operate within an institutionally approved budget, and compliance with and self-enforcement of NCAA regulations is an expectation of membership; and *(Adopted: 1/14/02 effective 8/1/02, Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*
- m. That all members of Division II should commit themselves to this philosophy and to the regulations and programs of Division II. *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

## Section 9•2 Division II Code Of Conduct

### CONDUCT POLICY STATEMENT

The NCAA expects each championship to exhibit an experience that represents the highest level of fair play and good sportsmanship. The NCAA and the NCAA Division II Championships Committee expect that student-athletes, coaches and administrators do their best to ensure participation in intercollegiate athletics promotes character development for all participants, enhances the integrity of higher education and promotes civility; therefore, championship events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility. These values should be manifest not only in athletics participation, but also in the broad spectrum of activities associated with the championship event. Accordingly, the Championships Committee will take strong action in response to any form of misconduct by student-athletes, coaches and/or administrators during the entire championship. This includes criticism of officials and a misconduct incident at the competition.

Any institution that fails to submit a complete and accurate Division II Code of Conduct form before the start of the first competition of the championship will be issued a fine of \$500, with a private letter of reprimand to be sent to the conference commissioner, university president, university athletics director, senior woman administrator, sports information director and compliance director.



### MISCONDUCT

The NCAA Division II Manual Bylaw 31.02.3 defines misconduct as: “... **any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship, that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.**”

### EXPECTATIONS

Each games committee shall hold a pre-championship meeting with the representatives of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct (as defined in Bylaw 31.02.3). The Division II Championships Code of Conduct is to be part of the championship packet and delivered to all institutional representatives attending the championship events.

If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances, the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition. An administrative hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day's competition, during a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition and conduct the hearing after this action. Other actions of misconduct shall be dealt with in a timely manner by the governing sport committee.

### EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES, COACHES AND ADMINISTRATORS

- Submit an accurate and complete Division II Code of Conduct Form before the start of the first competition of the championship.
- Cooperate and participate in game ceremonies, team meetings, community engagement and championship events.
- Discuss misconduct and possible consequences with all members of the travel party.
- Have an administrator or designee present at all competitions.
- Communicate issues and concerns in an honest and timely manner with NCAA staff.
- Follow team, university and NCAA guidelines throughout all championship-related activities.
- Be respectful of other participants, spectators, coaches, administrators and other individuals at the championship site.
- Abide by state and federal laws and facility requirements throughout the championship event.
- Display acceptable behavior on and off the playing field to ensure a positive experience for all participants.

### POSSIBLE PENALTIES FOR MISCONDUCT

In accordance with Bylaw 31.1.8.3, the governing sport committee (or the games committee authorized to act for it) may impose any one or a combination of the following penalties on an institution or any student-athlete or representative of an institution guilty of misconduct that occurs incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice. The penalties include, but are not limited to:

- a. Public or private reprimand of the individual;
- b. Disqualification of the individual from further participation in the NCAA championship involved;
- c. Banishment of the individual from participation in one or more future championships of the sport involved;
- d. Cancellation of payment to the institution of the Association's travel guarantee for the individual involved;
- e. Banishment of the institution from participation in one or more future championships in which its team in that sport otherwise would be eligible to participate;
- f. Disqualification of an institution for a period of time from serving as host institution for one or more NCAA championships;
- g. Cancellation of all or a portion of the honorarium for hosting an NCAA championship; and
- h. Financial or other penalties different from (a) through (g) above, but only if they have prior approval of the Championships Committee.

All correspondence regarding a violation of the Code of Conduct will be sent to the president/chancellor of the institution, with a copy to the director of athletics and person(s) involved.

Participation in an NCAA championship is an accomplishment and it is expected that individuals and teams are committed to ensuring that the championship is a positive experience for all participants, fans and volunteers. Participation in these championship events is a privilege for the student-athletes, coaches and administrators and should be treated as such.

### Section 9•3 On-Site Administrator at Team Championships

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All team sports require that a designated individual be identified from each institution participating in the championship as the on-site administrator. This person may be any individual from that school with no on-site responsibilities. The role of the on-site administrator is to be present at the competition site and attend all events that are mandated for the team (e.g., travel from institution to and from the championship site, teleconferences, pre-championship meetings, practices, competition and community engagement, where applicable).

If no one is sent or identified, the site representative is to notify the NCAA championship manager and Division II Championships Committee liaison to administer a fine of \$500, with a private letter of reprimand to be sent to the conference commissioner, university president/chancellor, university director of athletics, senior woman administrator, sports information director and compliance director. The NCAA championship manager will administer the fine and letter of reprimand to the institution(s).

### Section 9•4 Religious Conflicts

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**Institutional Policy.** If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the NCAA national office prior to Sept. 1 of each academic year in order for it or one of its student-athletes to be excused from competing on that day. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution. (*Revised: 1/12/99, 1/8/01, 1/9/01*)

**Individual Championships.** In individual championships, an athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (i.e., if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).

# Division II Baseball

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# Section 1 • General Administration

## Section 1•1 NCAA Tournament Operations Staff Contact Information

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## Section 1•2 National Committee

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Current members of the committee are:

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Director of Athletics  
Millersville University

**CENTRAL REGION****Steve Browning**

Director of Athletics  
Southern Arkansas University

**EAST REGION****Casey Rafferty**

Assistant Commissioner  
East Coast Conference

**MIDWEST REGION****Angela Pohl**

Deputy Athletic Director/Senior Woman Administrator  
Saginaw Valley State University

**SOUTH REGION****Ruben R. Perez Jr.**

Sports Information Director  
Morehouse College

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGION****Chris Hanks**

Head Baseball Coach  
Colorado Mesa University

**SOUTHEAST REGION****Todd Reeser, chair**

Director of Athletics  
Columbus State University

**WEST REGION****Desi Storey**

Head Baseball Coach  
Central Washington University

## Section 1•3 Regional Advisory Committees

NAME	INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE
<b>ATLANTIC REGION</b>		
Miles Gallagher	Millersville	PSAC
Chris Snyder	Seton Hill	PSAC
Randy Tenney	West Virginia Wesleyan	MEC
Len Barker	Notre Dame (Ohio)	MEC
Peggy Davis	Virginia State	Independent
<b>CENTRAL REGION</b>		
Steve Browning	Southern Arkansas	GAC
Cody Hooten	Henderson State	GAC
Jerry Hughes	Central Missouri	MIAA
Bryce Darnell	Missouri Southern State	MIAA
Steve Gust	Minnesota-Crookston	NSIC
Chris Hmielewski	Southwest Minnesota State	NSIC
<b>EAST REGION</b>		
Casey Rafferty	ECC	ECC
Joe Tonelli	Bridgeport	ECC
Scott Loisseau	Southern New Hampshire	NE10
Matt Anthony	Pace	NE10
Ronnie Palmer	Post	CACC
Brian August	Wilmington (Delaware)	CACC
<b>MIDWEST REGION</b>		
Angela Pohl	Saginaw Valley	GLIAC
Daniel Esposito	Wisconsin-Parkside	GLIAC
Roy Brown	Illinois Springfield	GLVC
Josh Rabe	Quincy	GLVC
Christopher Antonides	Ohio Dominican	G-MAC
Jim Givens	Findlay	G-MAC
<b>SOUTH REGION</b>		
Ruben Perez Jr.	Morehouse	SIAC
Scott Hemings	Albany State (Georgia)	SIAC
Erik Maas	Montevallo	GSC
Hunter Royer	Alabama-Huntsville	GSC
John Phillips	Embry-Riddle (Florida)	SSC
Greg Berkemeier	Florida Tech	SSC
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL REGION</b>		
Chris Hanks	Colorado Mesa	RMAC
Jerrid Oates	MSU Denver	RMAC
Matt Vanderburg	West Texas A&M	LSC
Scott Farmer	Texas Permian Basin	LSC

NAME	INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE
<b>SOUTHEAST REGION</b>		
Todd Reeser	Columbus State	PBC
Jason Burke	Lander	PBC
Jeff Gregory	Wingate	SAC
Matt Pope	Carson-Newman	SAC
Todd Wilkinson	Barton	CC
Landon Powell	North Greenville	CC
<b>WEST REGION</b>		
Desi Storey	Central Washington	GNAC
Evan O'Kelly	Montana State Billings	GNAC
Ethan Hamilton	Point Loma	PacWest
Paul Svagdis	Azusa Pacific	PacWest
Walt White	Cal Sate Monterey Bay	CCAA
Zoya Volpe	San Francisco State	CCAA

## Section 1•4 Important Dates

<b>Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 7-10</b>	ABCA Convention - Virtual.
<b>Friday, Jan. 8</b>	Schedules due on the NCAA statistics site.
<b>Monday, Feb. 1</b>	2021 AQ application forms due from conferences.
<b>Monday, March 29</b>	Proposed budget materials posted on <a href="https://www.ncaa.org">ncaa.org</a> .
<b>Monday, April 12</b>	Proposed budgets for hosting regionals due to NCAA national office.
<b>Tuesday, April 27</b>	Regional advisory committee calls (unpublished ranking).
<b>Wednesday, April 28</b>	National committee call (unpublished ranking).
<b>Tuesday, May 4</b>	Regional advisory committee calls (first ranking call).
<b>Wednesday, May 5</b>	National committee call – first published ranking on <a href="https://www.ncaa.com">ncaa.com</a> .
<b>Tuesday, May 11</b>	Regional advisory committee calls (second ranking call).
<b>Wednesday, May 12</b>	National committee call – second published ranking on <a href="https://www.ncaa.com">ncaa.com</a> .
<b>Tuesday, May 18</b>	Regional advisory committee calls (third ranking call).
<b>Wednesday, May 19</b>	National committee call – third published ranking on <a href="https://www.ncaa.com">ncaa.com</a> .
<b>Saturday-Sunday, May 22-23</b>	Regional advisory committee selection calls.
<b>Sunday, May 23</b>	National committee selection. Selection show on <a href="https://www.ncaa.com">ncaa.com</a> , 10 p.m. Eastern time (tentative).

## CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

<b>May 27-30</b>	Regionals: on-campus sites.
<b>June 5-12</b>	Finals: Cary, North Carolina.

### DATE FORMULA

The finals begin the first Saturday after Memorial Day (Saturday to Saturday). Regionals are the Thursday through Saturday, two weeks before the finals, and super regionals are the Friday and Saturday the week before the finals.

### FUTURE DATES

#### 2022

May 19-21	Regionals: On-campus sites.
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May 27-28	Super regionals: On-campus sites.
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June 4-11	Finals: Cary, North Carolina.
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#### 2023

May 18-20	Regionals: On-campus sites.
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May 26-27	Super regionals: On-campus sites.
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June 3-10	Finals: Cary, North Carolina.
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## Section 1•5 Equipment

The Rawlings FSR1NCAA flat-seam baseball has been selected as the official baseball for all NCAA championship tournaments.

The appropriate number of balls will be sent to all tournaments. The balls will be shipped from the manufacturer to the director of athletics or tournament director at the host institution. Each team must furnish its own practice balls.

## Section 1•6 Rules

NCAA Baseball Rules shall be followed to the letter. Per NCAA Bylaw 17.30, member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules. For those sports in which the Association follows rules that are developed by other governing bodies and modified by the governing sports committee, the adopted playing rules shall be used. The governing sports committee will not consider any results for selection purposes that are not played in accordance with NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

## Section 1•7 Uniforms

Once a team enters the stadium/field, it must be in full pregame or regular-game uniform (no shorts permitted). In addition, team representatives must be in appropriate attire, not necessarily in uniform, for all other championship functions (press conferences, all practices, banquets, autograph sessions, etc.), which shall include warmups, batting practice and infield practice. Team personnel must remain in uniform until they exit the facility.

For the regionals and finals, teams must be in pregame or regular-game uniform for warmups, batting practice, infield practice and competition at the site.

### LOGOS

[Refer to General Administrative Guidelines, Section 7.](#)



# Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

## Section 2•1 Championship Format

All regular-season contests must be completed the Saturday before selections. All games must be scheduled to start not later than 3 p.m. Eastern time the Sunday of selections. (Allowances will be made for weather delays at the NCAA championship manager's discretion.)

**Regionals.** The championship preliminary round competition provides for eight regional sites that consist of various tournament sizes, between three and six teams. The winners of these regional-round competitions advance to the final round of the championship in Cary, North Carolina. Each of the eight regions are awarded postseason bids according to the regional access ratio. Regional allocations will be determined based on regional access ratio.

REGION	REGIONAL BIDS
Atlantic	5
South Central	4
West	3
East	6
Southeast	6
Central	6
Midwest	6
South	6

Further information regarding the regional format and schedule can be found in the [Preliminary Rounds Host Operations Manual](#).

**During the first day of competition, only the host institution for a regional competition (not the No. 1 seed) may schedule its game at any of the established starting times;** however, the game it replaces shall be played at the time originally scheduled for the host team. It should be noted that the pairings in the bracket may not be altered and the game times during the remainder of the tournament may not be adjusted. If no games are played the first day due to inclement weather, the host must play at the time as determined by the bracket.

**Championship.** The eight regional champions will advance to the championship finals. Teams will be seeded by the national committee using the established selection criteria and placed in the bracket.

Four teams will be placed in one bracket and four teams will be placed in the other. The brackets will be a true double-elimination format. The two bracket winners will play to determine the national champion.

### DETERMINATION OF HOME TEAM

For first-round games during championship competition when teams are seeded, the higher-seeded team shall be designated as the home team. In subsequent games, the home team shall be determined according to a formula applied by the games committee.

In determining which of two teams in any game will be the home team, the games committee or the committee representative shall designate the home team using the following guidelines (except "if-necessary" games\*):

1. The institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times in that particular tournament.
2. If the two teams are equal in this respect but unequal in the number of times they were the visitor, then the team that has been the visitor more often will be designated the home team.
3. If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the games committee or the committee representative shall observe the following procedures in the order stated:
  - If the two teams have met previously in that particular tournament, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question;

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- The team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games; or
- If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by coin toss.

\*In an “if-necessary” game, the teams will reverse home and away designation regardless of the above guidelines but remain in the same dugout and same uniforms.

### DUGOUT DESIGNATION AND UNIFORM COLORS

The home team shall occupy the third-base dugout, take infield practice first and wear white, or light-colored, uniforms. The visiting team will occupy the first-base dugout and must wear a uniform of contrasting color.

The host institution may occupy their regular home dugout, regardless of their home/away designation, in games that they are participating. In this instance, the infield practice and uniform protocols remain the same.

The games committee, in conjunction with the NCAA championship manager, will resolve any conflicts in the selection/designation of dugout and uniforms. All decisions are final.

### START TIMES

Start times will be determined by the NCAA in conjunction with the host institution. It is preferred that regional hosts adhere to the recommended game times noted on the regional bracket located in the appendixes of this manual. The committee will make every attempt not to start a game before 10 a.m. (noon on Sunday) or after 11 p.m.; however, games may be started up until 11:59 p.m.

### LENGTH OF GAME — HALTED-GAME RULE

All games shall be nine innings. If play has been stopped before nine innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 5-9) shall be used. [Note: The 10-Run Rule - Rule 5-8-b-(4) - shall not be used for regionals.]

In Division II, the games committee will make the decision as to when a game will be started, suspended, restarted or declared completed. If a regional cannot be completed, a team will advance to the final based on the following:

1. Until one team becomes 3-0, the highest-seeded team that has not been eliminated will advance to the finals.
2. If teams have an equal number of losses, the higher-seeded team, as determined by the Division II Baseball Committee before the start of regional play, will advance to the finals.

### TRAVEL PARTY

The travel party for the Division II Baseball Championship is 29 persons. The number of eligible players in uniform shall not exceed 25. At the administrative meeting, each coach shall designate the 25 eligible players who will participate in the championship. A roster will be provided to list the 25 players, as well as the other personnel to be allowed in the dugout during the game.

The maximum number of people in the dugout area is 36. This includes 25 eligible players in uniform, and 11 additional personnel who regularly have performed functions during the season. Non-uniformed personnel may not participate in pregame warmups or game-type functions on the field or in the bullpen. One additional credential may be provided for a certified medical professional upon request. This cannot be used by an athlete.

**Postseason Roster Replacements.** Changes to the official squad list may only be made before the first pitch of the tournament. Changes shall not be permitted for any reason, including injury. (Note: Changes would be permitted between regionals and super regionals, and between super regionals and the championship).

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

Please refer to the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies are located at [ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information](https://www.ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information).

## Section 2•2 Results

### SCORE REPORTING

The score-reporting and stats-reporting processes are now combined for Division II baseball. Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site ([web1.ncaa.org/stats/StatsSrv/login](http://web1.ncaa.org/stats/StatsSrv/login)), and this information will then be imported into the score-reporting system for use by the sports committees. Specific instructions and reporting deadlines will be communicated to SIDs in a memo from the media services staff. For questions regarding the reporting process, please contact Dave Lentz ([dlentz@ncaa.org](mailto:dlentz@ncaa.org) or 317-917-0783).

## Section 2•3 Selection Information

### ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

The Division II championship provides for a maximum field of 42 teams. Twenty conferences have been granted automatic qualification privileges. The remaining teams will be selected at-large by the baseball committee.

### AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

The following conferences receive automatic qualification (AQ) for the 2021 NCAA Division II Baseball Championship:

Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
Conference Carolinas	Mountain East Conference
East Coast Conference	Northeast-10 Conference
Great American Conference	Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Pacific West Conference
Great Lakes Valley Conference	Peach Belt Conference
Great Midwest Athletic Conference	Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference
Gulf South Conference	South Atlantic Conference
Lone Star Conference	Sunshine State Conference

Conference AQs must be determined and submitted by the commissioner to the NCAA by **4 p.m. Eastern time, May 23**.

## Section 2•4 Selection Criteria

### AT-LARGE SELECTION

**For 2020-2021 Only:** Due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the minimum contest requirement has been decreased. In order to be considered for at-large selection, an institution must have an overall Division II won-lost record of .500 or better and compete in at least 16 contests.

### NCAA BYLAW 31.3.3.1.1 — COUNTABLE COMPETITION

For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.3.4.4) of four-year, degree-granting institutions located in Canada and the United States, its territories or possessions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

### SELECTION CRITERIA

Effective 2015-16, the Division II team sport selection criteria was implemented. Note: Primary and secondary criteria is no longer used.

#### Required Selection Criteria

*[Reference: Bylaw 31.3.3.1 in the NCAA Manual]*

- In-region winning percentage;
- Division II winning percentage;
- Division II strength of schedule (opponents' average winning percentage and opponents' opponents' average winning percentage);
- Division II head-to-head competition; and
- Results versus Division II common opponents.

**For 2020-21 Only:** All approved Division II selections criteria will be utilized for ranking and the selection of at-large teams.

#### Additional Selection Criteria

- Division II record on the road.
- Division II results versus teams with a record of .500 or better.
- Results versus ranked Division II opponents.
- Division II Results vs. Teams with a Winning Record.
- In-Region Division II Non-Conference Won-Lost Record.
- In-Region Strength of Schedule.
- Late Season Performance.
- Performance Indicator (PI).
- In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
- Results vs. Division II In-Region Common Opponents.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the Division II Baseball Committee. The Division II Baseball Committee should contact a regional advisory committee upon making its final selection of teams if its selection of teams differs from the results put forth by the regional advisory committee via the RAC balloting process. Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used by the Division II Baseball Committee for selection purposes.

**Regular-Season Contests.** At the time the game is scheduled, both teams shall agree as to whether the game is to be counted for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics. A game will be counted by both teams as an official contest unless both teams agree in writing before the game that it is to be an exhibition contest. If it is an exhibition contest, the team and the individual statistics and records cannot be counted for either team. In any event, the contest or exhibition remains countable as a contest for the purpose of Bylaws 17.2.7.1 and 17.02.3. Further, all games must be regulation length (See Rule 5-8 of the 2019 and 2020 NCAA Baseball Rules Book). All varsity games played between four-year, degree-granting institutions in the traditional season must be counted for purposes of won-lost records and team/individual statistics.

Coaches should be aware of the application of Bylaw 14.2.4.1 (minimum amount of competition). Any participation by a student-athlete against outside competition, however limited, shall constitute a season of competition.

No games played during the fall will be included in a team's won-lost record and statistics, except for schools located in Puerto Rico (Bylaw 17.2.5.1).

## Section 2•5 Site Selection

### PROSPECTIVE HOSTS

**For 2020-2021**, in order to be prepared for additional requirements for postseason play, all regional host sites will be pre-determined. Additional information on submitting a bid can be found here: [ncaa.org/championship-bid-process-information](http://ncaa.org/championship-bid-process-information).

### BID MATERIALS

Any institution interested in hosting regional competition must submit a proposed budget, respond to sport-specific questions and ensure that the institution's key contacts and facility information are complete and current in the Championships Bid and Profile System. Please note that in order to submit a bid, you must first locate the desired championship in the "Championships Available for Bidding" section and select "Start Bid."

### CHAMPIONSHIPS BID AND PROFILE SYSTEM

All bid-related forms can be accessed via the Championships Bid and Profile System at [championships.ncaa.org](http://championships.ncaa.org). The deadline to submit all bid materials for preliminary rounds is **Monday, April 12**.

In addition to projected ticket sales and game expenses, prospective hosts should include the following when completing a proposed budget:

- Committee/site representative lodging.
- Game officials and umpires evaluators lodging.
- State and city taxes/fees.
- Ticket and facility fees.

Committees/site representative's per diem, mileage and luggage fees will be paid by the NCAA, not the host institution. Game officials game fees, per diem, mileage (if applicable) and luggage fees (if applicable) will be reimbursed by the NCAA via ArbiterPay.

### FACILITY PROFILE

Institutions interested in hosting preliminary-round competition must add (or ensure accuracy of) facility information for the applicable competition venue. This information is located at [championships.ncaa.org](http://championships.ncaa.org). Any supporting information — e.g., facility diagram, pictures — may be uploaded and attached to that facility's profile. This information will be made available to the sport committee to aid in their deliberations of prospective host sites.

A competing institution that cannot restrict access and charge admission at its venue, cannot establish a barrier between spectators and the field, or does not meet the minimum field requirements as outlined in the NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations Manual, may not host NCAA postseason competition.

### KEY CONTACTS

Each institution should list and then maintain its key contacts associated with each sport and the institution. Individuals can be added via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal at [championships.ncaa.org](http://championships.ncaa.org).

### SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Based on a review of current and future championships competition venues, discussions with safety and security experts, and its own expertise and knowledge, the NCAA has established a Safety and Security Advisory Group (SSAG) to develop a compilation of Best Practices for NCAA championships. We urge each competition venue to take these Best Practices into account when developing its safety and security program. As part of your bid, please submit a safety and security plan for your venue, which would be inclusive of the NCAA Championships Safety and Security Team contact information form, located in Appendix A of the Best Practices document.

The best practices for venue safety and security, along with the safety and security contact form, are located at: [ncaa.org/sites/default/files/Best\\_Practices\\_for\\_Venue\\_Safety\\_and\\_Security.pdf?division=d2](http://ncaa.org/sites/default/files/Best_Practices_for_Venue_Safety_and_Security.pdf?division=d2)

### FINAL FINANCIAL REPORT

*[Reference: Bylaw 31.4 in the NCAA Manual.]*

A final financial report from each championship site must be submitted via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal under the “budget” tab not later than 60 days after the event.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the bid process, please contact Eric Breece at 317-917-6222 or email us at [championshipbid@ncaa.org](mailto:championshipbid@ncaa.org).

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## Appendix A • Sport Sponsorship

### ATLANTIC REGION

#### Mountain East Conference (12)

Alderson Broaddus University  
University of Charleston (West Virginia)  
Concord University  
Davis & Elkins College  
Fairmont State University  
Frostburg State University\*

Glenville State College  
Notre Dame College (Ohio)  
West Liberty University  
West Virginia State University  
West Virginia Wesleyan College  
Wheeling University

#### Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (17)

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania  
California University of Pennsylvania  
Clarion University of Pennsylvania  
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania  
Gannon University  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania  
Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania  
Mansfield University of Pennsylvania

Mercyhurst University  
Millersville University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown  
Seton Hill University  
Shepherd University  
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania  
Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania  
West Chester University of Pennsylvania

#### Independent (2)

Bluefield State College

Virginia State University

### CENTRAL REGION

#### Great American Conference (12)

Arkansas Tech University  
University of Arkansas, Monticello  
East Central University  
Harding University  
Henderson State University  
Northwestern Oklahoma State University

Oklahoma Baptist University  
Ouachita Baptist University  
Southeastern Oklahoma State University  
Southern Arkansas University  
Southern Nazarene University  
Southwestern Oklahoma State University

#### Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (12)

University of Central Missouri  
University of Central Oklahoma  
Emporia State University  
Fort Hays State University  
Missouri Southern State University  
Missouri Western State University

Newman University  
Northeastern State University  
Northwest Missouri State University  
Pittsburg State University  
Rogers State University  
Washburn University of Topeka

#### Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (15)

Augustana University (South Dakota)  
Bemidji State University  
Concordia University, St. Paul  
University of Mary  
Minnesota State University, Mankato  
University of Minnesota, Crookston  
University of Minnesota Duluth  
Minot State University

Northern State University  
University of Sioux Falls  
Southwest Minnesota State University  
St. Cloud State University  
Upper Iowa University  
Wayne State College (Nebraska)  
Winona State University

\* Not eligible for championship

**EAST REGION****Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (12)**

Bloomfield College  
 Caldwell College  
 Chestnut Hill College  
 Concordia College (New York)  
 Dominican College (New York)  
 Felician College

Goldey-Beacom College  
 Nyack College  
 Post University\*\*  
 University of the Sciences  
 Thomas Jefferson University  
 Wilmington University (Delaware)

**East Coast Conference (9)**

University of Bridgeport  
 D'Youville College\*  
 Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)  
 Mercy College  
 Molloy College

New York Institute of Technology  
 Queens College (New York)  
 St. Thomas Aquinas College  
 College of Staten Island\*

**Northeast-10 Conference (14)**

Adelphi University  
 American International College  
 Assumption University  
 Bentley University  
 Franklin Pierce University  
 Le Moyne College  
 University of New Haven

Pace University  
 Saint Anselm College  
 Saint Michael's College  
 The College of Saint Rose  
 Southern Connecticut State University  
 Southern New Hampshire University  
 Stonehill College

**MIDWEST REGION****Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (8)**

Ashland University  
 Davenport University\*  
 Grand Valley State University  
 Northwood University

Purdue University Northwest\*  
 Saginaw Valley State University  
 Wayne State University (Michigan)  
 University of Wisconsin-Parkside

**Great Lakes Valley Conference (15)**

Drury University  
 University of Illinois at Springfield  
 University of Indianapolis  
 Lewis University  
 Lindenwood University  
 Maryville University of Saint Louis  
 McKendree University  
 Missouri University of Science and Technology

University of Missouri-St. Louis  
 Quincy University  
 Rockhurst University  
 University of Southern Indiana  
 Southwest Baptist University  
 Truman State University  
 William Jewell College

**Great Midwest Athletic Conference (11)**

Cedarville University  
 University of Findlay  
 Hillsdale College  
 Kentucky Wesleyan College  
 Lake Erie College  
 Malone University

Ohio Dominican University  
 Ohio Valley University  
 Tiffin University  
 Trevecca Nazarene University  
 Walsh University

**Independent (1)**

Salem University (West Virginia)

\* Not eligible for championship

\*\* Not competing due to COVID-19

## SOUTH REGION

### Gulf South Conference (13)

University of Alabama in Huntsville  
Auburn University at Montgomery\*  
Christian Brothers University  
Delta State University  
Lee University  
Mississippi College  
University of Montevallo

Shorter University  
Union University  
Valdosta State University  
University of West Alabama  
University of West Florida  
University of West Georgia

### Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (11)

Albany State University (Georgia)  
Benedict College  
Clark Atlanta University  
Kentucky State University  
Lane College  
LeMoyne-Owen College

Miles College  
Morehouse College  
Savannah State University  
Spring Hill College  
Tuskegee University

### Sunshine State Conference (11)

Barry University  
Eckerd College\*\*  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Florida)\*\*  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Florida Southern College  
Lynn University

Nova Southeastern University  
Palm Beach Atlantic University  
Rollins College  
Saint Leo University  
University of Tampa

## SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

### Lone Star Conference (13)

Angelo State University  
University of Arkansas, Fort Smith  
Cameron University  
Eastern New Mexico University  
Lubbock Christian University  
Oklahoma Christian University  
St. Edward's University

St. Mary's University (Texas)  
Texas A&M International University  
Texas A&M University-Kingsville  
University of Texas Tyler  
University of Texas Permian Basin  
West Texas A&M University

### Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (9)

Adams State University  
Colorado Christian University  
Colorado Mesa University  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University at Pueblo

University of Colorado, Colorado Springs  
Metropolitan State University of Denver  
New Mexico Highlands University  
Regis University (Colorado)

\* Not eligible for championship

\*\* Not competing due to COVID-19

**SOUTHEAST REGION****Conference Carolinas (9)**

Barton College  
 Belmont Abbey College  
 Chowan University  
 Emmanuel College (Georgia)  
 Erskine College

King University  
 University of Mount Olive  
 North Greenville University  
 Southern Wesleyan University

**Peach Belt Conference (12)**

Augusta University  
 Claflin University  
 Columbus State University  
 Flagler College  
 Francis Marion University  
 Georgia College

Georgia Southwestern State University  
 Lander University  
 University of North Carolina at Pembroke  
 University of North Georgia  
 University of South Carolina Aiken  
 Young Harris College

**South Atlantic Conference (13)**

Anderson University (South Carolina)  
 Carson-Newman University  
 Catawba College  
 Coker University  
 Lenoir-Rhyne University  
 Limestone University  
 Lincoln Memorial University

Mars Hill College  
 Newberry College  
 Queens University of Charlotte  
 Tusculum University  
 The University of Virginia's College at Wise  
 Wingate University

**WEST REGION****California Collegiate Athletic Association (11)**

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona\*\*  
 California State University, Chico\*\*  
 California State University, Dominguez Hills\*\*  
 California State University, East Bay\*\*  
 California State University, Los Angeles\*\*  
 California State University, Monterey Bay\*\*

California State University, San Bernardino\*\*  
 California State University, San Marcos\*\*  
 California State University, Stanislaus\*\*  
 San Francisco State University\*\*  
 Sonoma State University\*\*

**Great Northwest Athletic Conference (5)**

Central Washington University  
 Montana State University Billings  
 Northwest Nazarene University

Saint Martin's University  
 Western Oregon University

**Pacific West Conference (9)**

Academy of Art University  
 Azusa Pacific University  
 Biola University\*  
 Concordia University Irvine  
 Fresno Pacific University

University of Hawaii at Hilo  
 Hawaii Pacific University  
 Holy Names University  
 Point Loma Nazarene University

\* Not eligible for championship

\*\* Not competing due to COVID-19.