



# Utah High School Activities Association

## 2018 STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

### ➤ State Tournament Dates & Locations

**2A & 3A State:** May 5 at Region Sites, May 10-12 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex  
295 West Volunteer Drive, Spanish Fork (Turn right at 950 South Main)

**4A State:** May 12 at Region Pod Sites, May 17-19 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex  
295 West Volunteer Drive, Spanish Fork (Turn right at 950 South Main)

**5A & 6A State:** May 15 & 17 at Home Sites, May 22-24 at Valley Complex  
Valley Softball Complex: 5135 South 2700 West, SLC

### EMAIL FINAL REGION RESULTS

Final region standings are to be submitted to the UHSAA via email ([jwhittaker@uhsaa.org](mailto:jwhittaker@uhsaa.org)) by the Saturday prior to the first state games. All ties are to be broken by the region. Notify the UHSAA if play-off games are necessary. Call Jeff Cluff, Supervisor of Officials (801-566-0681), to arrange umpires.

### HOME & REGIONAL ROUNDS (Game times posted on the brackets)

- Call Jeff Cluff (801-566-0681), UHSAA Supervisor of Officials, ASAP to make arrangements for umpires.
- Even though the home (5A/6A) and region site rounds (2A/3A/4A) are part of the post-season tournament, the UHSAA will not receive any revenue and therefore will not pay any expenses.
- The home school is responsible for paying officials and emailing game results to [jwhittaker@uhsaa.org](mailto:jwhittaker@uhsaa.org).
- Home teams will be responsible for providing game balls at all home-site games.
- All costs (including programs) for home school sites are the responsibility of the schools involved.
- Revenues from home and regional rounds should be shared, after expenses, by the schools involved.
- See the UHSAA policy for post-season games NOT ticketed by the UHSAA (See Handbook, page 70).
- Ticketing is optional, but encouraged, for schools participating in games played at home school sites.
- Home teams for home-site games are determined by higher seed (coin toss if teams have same seed).
- Games held at the state tournament sites are eligible for UHSAA expense reimbursement.
- There is no reimbursement for cheerleaders.

### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION / STUDENT SUPERVISION

- School administrators are responsible for the supervision of their students.
- Administrators shall assist with crowd management.
- Remind students & fans what is NOT allowed at tournament sites.

### TICKET PRICES

- Everyone must have a ticket (including bus drivers, school photographers, etc).
- Ticket prices are \$5.00 for students and \$8.00 for adults. **All parks accept CASH ONLY!**
- Schools interested in presale tickets should call the UHSAA office in advance of the tournament.



## TEAM ADMISSION

- Gates open 60 minutes prior to the first game. Teams should not enter the park prior to that time.
- Teams are allowed free entrance for a maximum of 25 (any combo of players, coaches, managers, etc).
- **Teams must enter as a group** to be counted and have their hands stamped for admission each day. If a team brings in more than 25 the school will be billed.

## TOURNAMENT INSTRUCTIONS

- Because of limited parking, buses will not be allowed to park in the general parking. Valley Softball Complex Parking: **DO NOT PARK ON 2700 west! Please park in the Pool Parking Lot, which is between the Rec Center and the Library (north side of the park)**
- Specific instructions for team drop-off and bus parking will be emailed to qualifying schools.
- Gates open and tickets will be sold 60 minutes prior to the first game of the tournament.
- Thirty minutes prior to game time, the head coach should check in at the press box with tournament management to confirm home team and to turn in the lineup.
- See the tournament brackets on the Softball page at [uhsaa.org](http://uhsaa.org) for an explanation of home teams.
- Home team will occupy the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout unless mutually agreed otherwise.
- Each site will have designated grassy areas that teams can use for warm-up.
- Due to the tight time schedule, there will be no warm-up allowed on the diamonds.
- Prior to all games, infield warm-up is only allowed outside the base lines.
- There are no time limits in any games at the State Tournament.
- The 10-run rule is in effect after five innings and a 15-run rule is in effect after three innings.
- The official tournament game ball will be the **Wilson A9011**.
- Teams should clean up their bench area before leaving so it is presentable for the next team.
- By UHSAA policy, anyone under the 9<sup>th</sup> grade may NOT be on the field or in the dugout.
- A certified trainer will **not** be on site. School trainers should accompany teams to the tournaments.

## INTERNATIONAL TIE-BREAKER

- If a game is tied after seven innings of play, the international tie-breaker will be implemented.
- At the start of the 8th inning, before the first batter begins her turn at bat, the last batter who completed their turn at bat in that team's half of the last inning will assume a position at 2nd base. This means that the first batter in the top of the 8th will bat with a runner on 2nd base and no one out. The same procedure will continue in each half inning until a winner is determined.

## SPECTATORS/FANS/BROADCASTING

- Participants and patrons must adhere to **UHSAA State Event Guidelines** (See Handbook p. 74)
- The following are **NOT ALLOWED** at the tournament: bands, banners, hand-held signs of any kind, confetti/shredded paper, artificial noisemakers, thundersticks, cow bells, whistles, air horns, sirens.
- Contact Jon Oglesby, [joglesby@uhsaa.org](mailto:joglesby@uhsaa.org), regarding the rights to broadcast/stream state games.

## POSSIBLE CONFLICTS WITH SCHOOL GRADUATIONS

Principals and coaches should carefully examine the tournament schedule for possible conflicts with end of year activities, especially graduation, so they can plan accordingly.

