



UTAH HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

2021 SOFTBALL STATE TOURNAMENTS

State Tournament Dates & Locations

2A and 3A State: May 8 at Pod Home Sites,
May 13-15 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex

4A State: 1st round: May 11 Home Sites (single elimination)

2nd round: May 14-15 Home Sites (best of 3 series)

Championship Rounds: May 19-22 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex

5A State: 1st round: May 14 Home Sites (single elimination)

2nd round: May 15 and 17 Home Sites (best of 3 series)

3rd round: May 20-21 Home Sites (best of 3 series)

Championship Rounds: May 25-28 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex

6A State: 1st round: May 15 and 17 Home Sites (best of 3 series)

2nd round: May 20-21 Home Sites (best of 3 series)

Championship Rounds: May 25-28 at Spanish Fork Softball Complex

Spanish Fork Softball Complex

295 West Volunteer Drive, Spanish Fork (Turn right at 950 South Main)

HOME AND POD ROUNDS (Game times posted on the brackets)

- Call Jeff Cluff (801-566-0681), UHSAA Supervisor of Officials with questions regarding officials.
- Even though the home and pod site rounds 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.
- Home teams will be responsible for providing game balls at all home-site games. The official tournament game ball will be the **Wilson A9011**.
- All costs for home school sites are the responsibility of the schools involved.
- Revenues from home and pod 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 75).

- Ticketing is optional, but encouraged, for schools participating in games played at home school sites.
- The higher seed will be the home team. In best of 3 series, the “if necessary” game home team will be determined by a coin toss.
- 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 \$10.00 for adults. **Venue will NOT Accept CASH!**
- **All tickets must be purchased online.** Go to: <https://gofan.co/app/school/UHSAA>
- 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. Buses should park in the South-West lot. (See the map on the UHSAA website softball page)
- Gates open and tickets will be redeemed 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 turn in their lineup.
- The higher seed will be the home team. In the best of 3 series, the “if necessary” games, home team will be decided by a coin toss.
- Home team will occupy the 3rd 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 9th 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.
- All coaches must be certified and wear their UHSAA credentials while coaching at the tournament.

PARTICIPATION PROTOCOLS:

- Participants should wear masks except while actively participating.
- No handshakes in the post-game.
- Players should physically distance on the bench and in the dugout as much as possible.

- Players should have individual water containers.
- Sanitize hands as much as feasible.
- Coaches who wish to discuss a rule or ruling on the field must maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from the umpire.

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. 79)
- The following are **NOT ALLOWED** at the tournament: bands, banners, hand-held signs of any kind, confetti/shredded paper, artificial noisemakers, thunder sticks, cow bells, whistles, air horns, sirens.
- Contact Jon Oglesby, joglesby@uhsaa.org, regarding the rights to broadcast/stream state games.
- No pets/animals are allowed at any state venues.

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.



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