



2022 NIAA 5A Northern Basketball Championships

The 2022 Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association Class 5A Northern League boys and girls basketball championship tournaments are scheduled to be played February 14-19 at host sites and Carson High School in northern Nevada.

The tournament champions and runners-up advance to the 2022 NIAA Class 5A state basketball championships. The state tournament is scheduled for Friday, February 25 and Saturday, February 26 at Lawlor Events Center in Reno.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Both Northern League tournaments are arranged in a six-team, single-elimination bracket. The better-seeded team in each game will host in the quarterfinal and semifinal rounds.

HOME TEAM

In all postseason basketball brackets, the higher seed will be the home team and will wear light jerseys. If teams are equally seeded, the top team on the bracket will be the home team.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Carson High School will host the championship game in the boys and girls tournaments. Carson High School is located at 1111 North Saliman Road in Carson City. The school phone number is 775-283-1600.

SCHEDULE

[The full bracket for the boys tournament is available through this link.](#)

[The full bracket for the girls tournament is available through this link.](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. This tournament and all games within it will be governed by the National Federation basketball rules book, the NIAA Handbook, the NIAA reference manual, the Basketball Postseason Tournament Information and General Policies packet and this tournament information packet. All decisions based on information included in the aforementioned materials are final. This packet is a binding document for the tournament it serves.
2. The site director will assign locker rooms and bench locations. The site director will have the final say on all game-related manners.

Note: Please see the Basketball Postseason Tournament Information and General Policies packet for guidelines concerning NIAA tournaments.

3. Tickets will be sold through HomeTown Ticketing, the NIAA's official partner for postseason ticket sales. Tickets are available both through the ticket page on the NIAA website (niaa.com/tickets/index) and the HomeTown Ticketing app.

Admission prices for NIAA postseason region events are:

Adults: \$12

Students with a valid high school or younger ID: \$5

Children age 8 and younger are admitted free.

NIAA Courtesy Cards and Lifetime Passes will be honored for the legitimate pass holder and one guest.

4. No artificial noisemakers of any kind will be permitted at NIAA contests. Balloons and/or other objects that may impair spectator vision also are NOT permitted at any contests. Tournament officials will always have the final say on what is or is not appropriate.
5. Capacity limits for games may be instituted by the site director/host school to comply with any school district, local or state policies.

III. BASKETBALL TIE-BREAKER (qualifying for the postseason)

1. The win-loss records of the teams in league play shall determine seeding into a league/region tournament. The league's administrators will determine win-loss records based on previously approved schedules. In the event of a tie, the tie shall be broken using the following procedures:
2. Tie between two (2) teams
 - A. Head-to-head competition in league play among tied teams.
 - B. If the tie remains after head-to-head, each tied team shall receive one point for each game won in league play by their defeated opponents. The team with the most points will receive the higher seed.
 - C. If the tie remains, the team which allowed the fewer points in the league contests between the tied teams becomes the higher seed.

NOTE: All forfeits will result in a +15 point margin of victory for the non-forfeiting / winning team.

- D. If the tie remains, the team that won the second league game scheduled between the two teams will be the higher seed.

EXCEPTION: Steps 'C' and 'D' are only to be used for seeding. A team shall not be eliminated from the league/region tournament by the application of steps 'C' and/or 'D'. If the tie is not broken in steps 'A' and 'B' and a team would be eliminated, a playoff game will be played following the end of the regular season. The NIAA Executive Director will select a neutral site for the game.

3. Tie between three (3) or more teams
 - A. In all cases of ties involving more than two teams, as each team is advanced in the tie, all other tied teams revert back to head-to-head competition based on the number of teams remaining in the tie.
 - B. Head-to-head competition in league play among tied teams.

Example of multiple team ties:
Team A defeated Team B twice and split with Team C
Team B lost to Team A twice but defeated Team C twice
Team C lost to Team B twice and split with Team A

Team A is 3-1; Team B is 2-2; Team C is 1-3

Team A is awarded the highest seed among the team. Team B is awarded second highest seed because of its head-to-head record against Team C.

C. Fifteen (15) point system

If the tie remains, all tied teams will compare their margin of victory with each other in league play. Each team will total their margin of points against the other tied teams with marginal points being the difference in the scores of a game. Winning teams will add the margin of points while losing teams will subtract the margin of points. No more than fifteen (15) points will be added or subtracted in any league game. The team with the highest number of marginal points will receive the highest seed. If there is a tie for highest marginal points, then those tied teams shall revert back to the respective tie-breaking procedure based on the number of teams remaining in the tie. Once a team is eliminated, the remaining teams will always refer back to head-to-head competition based on the number of teams remaining.

Example of point system:

Team A defeated Team B, 73-60

Team B defeated Team C, 55-50

Team C defeated Team A, 70-69

Marginal points for Team A is +12

Marginal points for Team B is -8

Marginal points for Team C is -4

Team A is awarded highest seed; Team B is awarded second highest seed because of its head-to-head record against Team C

NOTE: All forfeits will result in a -15 point margin of victory for the forfeiting / losing team.

- D. If the tie remains, each tied team shall receive one point for each game won in league play by their defeated opponents. The team with the most points will receive the highest seed.
- E. If a tie still exists and all tied teams, by virtue of the number of teams accepted into the league/region tournament, are guaranteed entrance into the tournament, then a coin toss will be used to determine seeding. The winner of any coin toss will receive the highest seed. Remaining teams would revert back to head-to-head competition based on the number of teams remaining in the tie.
- F. If a tie still exists and one or more of the tied teams must, by virtue of the number of teams accepted into the league/region tournament, be eliminated, playoff game(s) will be played following the end of the regular season. The NIAA Executive Director will select a neutral site for the event.

NOTE: In the event of a multiple team tie as outlined in step 'F,' the tied teams will draw numbers. The team drawing No. 1 will have a bye and will play the winner of the first playoff game. All games will be scheduled as soon as possible. Seeding will be established by the results of this playoff.