



## **2024 NIAA Class 1A Southern League Girls Volleyball Tournament**

The 2024 Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association Class 1A Southern League Girls Volleyball Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, November 2 at the host site of the league's No. 1 seed.

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## TOURNAMENT BRACKET

The tournament bracket is available on the NIAA.com website's girls volleyball tournament info and brackets page or by following the link below.

### [1A Southern Girls Volleyball Bracket](#)

## LOCATION

Per league athletic director/administrator agreement, the tournament will be held at the host site of the league's No. 1 seed.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The top four (4) teams in the Southern League, based on final regular-season standings, qualify for the NIAA Class 1A Southern League Girls Volleyball Tournament. The tournament will have a single-elimination bracket. Each match will be the best-of-5 sets.
2. The top two (2) teams (champion and runner-up) from the Southern League tournament advance to the NIAA Class 1A State Girls Volleyball Tournament.
3. National Federation volleyball rules, the NIAA Handbook, the NIAA Reference Manual and this tournament information packet will govern the tournament. This information packet is a binding document for the rules and regulations of this tournament.
4. The official ball for all NIAA post-season volleyball tournaments is the Molten Soft Touch IV58L-3, multi-colored panel ball.
5. A varsity team photo should be submitted as soon as possible to: Tia Wunder ([twunder@niaa.com](mailto:twunder@niaa.com)). The team roster for the program will be pulled from Aktivite.
6. Citizenship, sportsmanship and crowd/fan etiquette policies should be followed by coaches, players and spectators as outlined in the NIAA's Citizenship Through Sports Manual. NO thundersticks, confetti, megaphones, cowbells, whistles, sirens, airhorns, objects that would impair spectator vision (such as balloons) or other such devices will be permitted at the matches. NIAA Handbook regulations with regards to behavior, ejections, etc. will be enforced.
7. The higher seeded team is the home team in each match of the tournament.
8. Each team will be allowed eight (8) minutes of warm-up time. The visiting team will go first.

9. Varsity players and managers should arrive together with a team coach to be admitted. Junior varsity players will not be admitted free.
10. All coaches must be registered and cleared through Final Forms to be permitted to be on the bench or working with the athletes in any way.
11. Girls locker rooms will be available in the gymnasium. Players should bring their own locks and towels. Teams are not to enter the locker room until after the preceding match has started. Coaches will be responsible for the conduct of their teams in the locker room.
12. The NIAA has recommended an athletic trainer be present at all tournaments.
13. HomeTown Ticketing is the NIAA's official ticketing partner for all postseason events. All tickets will be sold online and are accessible through:  
<https://niaa.com/tickets/index>

For additional information on how to purchase tickets, [please click here](#).

Ticket prices (per day) are:

Adults: \$12

Students (high school and younger with valid school ID): \$5

Children (8 & under): Free

NIAA Courtesy Cards will be honored for the legitimate pass holder (with valid ID) and one guest.

NIAA Lifetime Passes will be honored for the legitimate pass holder (with valid ID) and one guest.

## **ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS**

The NIAA does not recognize nor permit the selection of all-tournament teams. The NIAA philosophy is league/region and state tournaments are team competitions. Recognizing a small group of individuals often creates animosity among the large group of individuals not selected for these types of awards.

The exception to this philosophy would be if a media outlet selects an all-tournament team with no affiliation to the NIAA or its tournament staff.

**UNIVERSAL TIE-BREAKER (for determining playoff seeding)**

***Note: Other criteria may be used for leagues which do not play a full schedule***

1. The win-loss records of the teams in league play shall determine seeding into a league/region tournament. The league's/region'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 (1) point for each match won in league play by their defeated opponents. The team with more points will receive the higher seed.
- C. If the tie remains, the team which won more "sets" between the tied teams during regular-season matches will receive the higher seed.

Match 1 – Team A defeats Team B by a match score of 3-1

Match 2 – Team B defeats Team A by a match score of 3-2

Result: Team A wins the tie-breaker by a total set score of 5-4.

- D. If the tie remains, the team which scored more points between the tied teams during the regular-season matches will receive the higher seed.

Match 1 – Team A defeated Team B, 15-5, 15-14, 15-10

(Team A 45 - Team B 29)

Match 2 – Team B defeated Team A, 15-10, 7-15, 16-14, 15-2

(Team B 53 - Team A 41)

Result: Team A wins the tie-breaker by a total point score of 86-82.

**NOTE: All forfeits will result in a +25 point(s) per set margin of victory for the non-forfeiting / winning team.**

- E. If the tie remains, the team which won the second league match scheduled between the two teams will be the higher seed.

EXCEPTION: Step E is only to be used for seeding. A team shall not be eliminated from league or region competition by the use of step E

If the tie is not broken in steps A-D AND a team will be eliminated, a playoff match will be played following the end of the regular season. The NIAA Executive Director will select a neutral site for this contest.

3. Tie between three (3) or more teams

- A. In all cases of ties involving more than two teams, as each team is removed from 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 highest seed. Team B is awarded second highest seed because of head-to-head record against Team C

- C. If the tie remains, tied teams will count their total number of set wins in matches against other tied teams. The team with the most number of set wins will receive the highest seed. The remaining teams will then revert back to head-to-head.

Example of set wins:

Team A defeated Team B, 3-2  
Team B defeated Team C, 3-0  
Team C defeated Team A, 3-1

Team A has four (4) set wins; Team B has five (5) set wins; Team C has three (3) set wins

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

- D. If the tie remains, each tied team shall receive one (1) point for each match 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, tied teams will count their total number of points scored against them in matches against other tied teams. The team with the fewest number of points scored against them will receive the highest seed. The other teams will revert back to head-to-head.

Example of points allowed:

Team A defeated Team B, 25-15, 26-24, 25-20

Team B defeated Team C, 25-20, 17-25, 26-24, 25-12

Team C defeated Team A, 25-23, 25-15, 15-25, 13-25, 15-3

Points against Team A       $59 + 93 = 152$

Points against Team B       $76 + 81 = 157$

Points against Team C       $93 + 91 = 184$

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

**NOTE: All forfeits will result in a -25 point(s) per set margin of victory for the forfeiting / losing team.**

- F. 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 flip 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.
- G. 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 the playoff.