

2025 NIAA 3A State Softball Championship

The 2025 Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association Class 3A State softball championship is scheduled for May 15-17 at Pahrump Valley High School. The tournament bracket is posted on the softball tournament and information page of the NIAA's website and available by following the link below.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Class 3A State Softball Tournament bracket

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The 2025 NIAA Class 3A State softball championship is a four-team, double-elimination tournament to be played over three days.

LOCATION

Pahrump Valley High School is located at 501 East Calvada Boulevard in Pahrump.

STATE QUALIFYING

The top two (2) teams (champion and runner-up) from the Northern Region tournament and the top two (2) teams from the Southern Region tournament qualify for the state tournament.

HOME TEAM

In all postseason softball brackets, the higher seed will be the home team with the exception that the undefeated team, regardless of seed, will be the home team in the championship final. The home-visitor roles will switch in the case of an if game.

If like-seeded teams meet, the team on the top line of the bracket for that game will be the home team. The home team will have the choice of dugout.

NATIONAL FEDERATION RULES

All rules according to the National Federation's rule book (game rules), the NIAA Reference Manual, the NIAA Handbook and this tournament information packet will apply. No protests will be permitted. Questions relating to rules interpretation and procedures will be resolved by the umpire-in-chief and tournament staff. This tournament information packet is a binding document for this tournament.

The 15-run mercy rule will be in effect after $2\frac{1}{2}$ innings for all games. The 10-run mercy rule will be in effect after $4\frac{1}{2}$ innings for all games.

GAME BALL

The official softball in all NIAA postseason games is the Wilson A9016-BSST (cork).

UMPIRES

All umpires will be selected and assigned by the commissioner of officials in the game's area and as directed by the NIAA.

PRE-GAME PROCEDURES

The home team may take an infield session of up to 15 minutes, followed by the visiting team taking an infield session of up to 15 minutes. The remaining pregame time will be used for the playing of the National Anthem (if applicable) and the introduction of starting lineups.

The visiting team's lineup should be introduced first. The National Anthem (if played) will follow the introduction of both lineups.

Games should not start earlier than the posted time unless approval has been received from the NIAA office

PLAYER CONDUCT

The NIAA reminds coaches to review with their players NAC 386.835-386.847, the NIAA's regulations regarding sportsmanship and ethics on pages 87-92 of the NIAA Handbook.

WEATHER

If a postseason game cannot be played or completed because of nature, weather, a major catastrophe or any other unforeseeable and/or unavoidable cause, the following procedure will be followed:

- 1. The director of the game/tournament shall attempt to complete the remainder of the schedule by using any means available. Such means may include delay, a brief postponement or a shortened format of the schedule, but in no case may the remainder of the schedule be held on Sunday.
- 2. If the director is unable to complete the schedule by the indicated finishing date on the original schedule, the tournament and/or its completion may be rescheduled within a reasonable time and at a site convenient to all competing schools so long as the superintendents of the school districts involved in the completion of the schedule approve such a rescheduling by a unanimous vote.

SUSPENDED GAME

A game called for any reason and where a winner cannot be determined will be treated as a suspended game. If the game is to be completed, it will be continued from the point of interruption with the lineup and batting order of each team the same as at the moment of the interruption, subject to the rules of the game.

TICKETS/ADMISSION

All postseason 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 and state events (per event per day) 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 (with valid ID) and one guest.

INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION

The NIAA does not recognize nor permit the selection of all-league/region nor all-state tournament teams. The NIAA's philosophy is that the tournaments are team competitions. Recognizing a small group of individuals often creates animosity among the large group of individuals, many of whom were not selected for this type of honor.