



2019 AIA State Basketball

SITE DIRECTORS HIGH SEED SITES NEUTRAL SITES PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATOR/TEAM COACH STATE TOURNAMENT GUIDE

Schedule, Rules, Regulations, Instructions

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AIA STATE BASKETBALL BRACKET INFORMATION

For information regarding all AIA State Basketball site information for boys, go to the following link on AZPREPS365.com :

<http://www.azpreps365.com/championships/basketball-boys>

For information regarding all AIA State Basketball bracket information for boys, go to the boys basketball brackets link on AZPREPS365.com:

<http://www.azpreps365.com/brackets/basketball-boys>

For information regarding all AIA State Basketball site information for girls, go to the following link on AZPREPS365.com :

<http://www.azpreps365.com/championships/basketball-girls>

For information regarding all AIA State Basketball bracket information for girls, go to the girls basketball brackets link on AZPREPS365.com:

<http://www.azpreps365.com/brackets/basketball-girls>

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOW SCHOOLS QUALIFYING FOR THE AIA STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

In order to qualify for AIA State Basketball Tournament consideration at any level, the school varsity team must have played a minimum of fourteen regular season games. The fourteen regular season games do not include any invitational games the school team may have played.

Automatic Seeding Criteria For The AIA Conference Level State Basketball Tournaments

6A, 5A (16-team bracket): In order to qualify, a school must have scheduled a minimum of 14 games. Teams ranked No. 1 through No. 8 will earn an automatic bid to the state tournament. The conference play-in tournament will match up teams ranked No. 9 through No. 24. Teams ranked No. 1 through No. 8, along with the eight winning teams from the conference play-in tournament, will make up the 16-team state tournament. The state tournament bracket will be seeded according to overall ranking of the 16 teams. The state tournament will consist of four rounds and be single elimination.

- 6A, 5A: Teams ranked No. 1 to 8 and eight (8) conference play-in winners

4A: (16-team bracket): In order to qualify, a school must have scheduled a minimum of 14 games. Based on region standings, the top team in each region will earn an automatic bid at minimum to the conference play-in tournament. The conference play-in tournament will match up teams ranked No. 9 through No. 24. In addition, any region champ in the play-in tournament will be reseeded to be at minimum a No. 16 seed to be guaranteed a home game. Teams ranked No. 1 through No. 8, along with the eight winning teams from the conference play-in tournament, will make up the 16-team state tournament. The state tournament bracket will be seeded according to the overall ranking of the 16 teams, and will consist of four rounds and will be single elimination.

- 4A: Teams ranked No. 1 to 8 and eight (8) conference play-in winners

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3A (24-team bracket): In order to qualify, a school must have scheduled a minimum of 14 games. Based on region standings (except 3A Central, 3A Metro West and 3A North), the top two teams in each region will earn an automatic bid to the state tournament. 3A Central, 3A Metro West and 3A North will qualify its two teams from the region tournament. The state tournament bracket will be seeded according to the overall ranking of the 24 teams, and will consist of five rounds and will be single elimination.

- 3A: 14 automatic bids and ten (10) at-large qualifiers based on ranking

2A (16-team bracket): In order to qualify, a school must have scheduled a minimum of 14 games. Based on the region standings or the region tournament (as determined by the region), the top two (2) teams in each region will earn an automatic bid at minimum to the conference play-in tournament. The conference play-in tournament will match up teams ranked No. 9 through No. 24. Teams ranked No. 1 through No. 8, along with the eight winning teams from the conference play-in tournament, will make up the 16-team state tournament. The state tournament bracket will be seeded according to the overall ranking of the 16 teams, and will consist of four rounds and will be single elimination.

- 2A: Eight (8) automatic bids and eight (8) conference play-in winners

1A (16-team bracket): In order to qualify, a school must have scheduled a minimum of 14 games. In 1A South, the regular season champion and the champion of the region tournament will get the automatic bids to the state tournament. If this happens to be the same team, then the other qualifier from the region will be the highest ranked team according to the AZPreps365 rankings. The top two qualifiers in 1A East and 1A West will come from the region tournament. In 1A Central and 1A North, the regular season region champion and the region tournament champion will make up the two qualifiers; however, should the region tournament champion be the same as the regular season champion, the runner-up from the region tournament will be the second automatic qualifier. The state tournament bracket will be seeded according to overall ranking of the 16 teams, and will consist of four rounds and will be single elimination.

- 1A: 10 automatic bids and six (6) at-large qualifiers based on ranking

Site Director Responsibility:

Enforcing the AIA Media Credential Policy

MEDIA CREDENTIAL POLICY

AIA has a Media Policy that needs to be followed to protect the proprietary rights of the Association and to protect the student-athletes and coaches at region and state tournament events. The following link (<http://aiaonline.org/news/press-center>) is to the AIA media center, which houses the AIA online media credential form and the AIA approved master media list (those that have requested and been granted AIA media credentials). The editor/manager of an outlet already granted access to AIA media credentials must go online and order credentials for a member of the media not on the master list. Please note that some members of the media might show up with freelance credentials. These have no pictures on them, but do allow for access to the event per the designated media outlet on the AIA media credential. Additionally, all member schools were allotted a number of school-based credentials for the school year. These will allow admittance equal to a media or freelance credential.

Once again, please remember to download the AIA master media list to use at the gates for signing in the media, and pass gate sign-in sheets for school media.

Site Director :

- For postseason rounds of AIA state championships, the host school/site should cooperate with news media representatives in providing them access to a work area following an AIA state championship contest to aid in filing reports on the contest.
- Schools/host sites are required to allow entry to any properly credentialed media entity for a postseason contest.
- **The AIA operates under a closed locker room policy at all AIA events. At no time will media representatives be granted this access. Team boxes, team benches, team huddles and dugouts are considered extensions of locker/dressing rooms.**

AIA STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ADMISSION FEES

All Rounds

\$10.00 Adults

\$5.00 Seniors (62+) or Active Military with ID

\$5.00 Students with School ID

Children five and under admitted free

FREE ADMISSION

Children five or under

Players in uniform entering with their School Board approved coaching staff

School Board Approved Varsity Basketball Staff

Team Support Staff

Twenty Spirit Line (in uniform) with their Sponsor(s)

Band members (in uniform) with their Sponsor(s)

All tournament workers

Media with proper credentials

AIA Lifetime Pass Holder and One Guest

AIA Complimentary Pass and One Guest

AIA Basketball Official Pass Holder and One Guest

Photo ID required for AIA Pass Holder and all AIA Complimentary Passes

Online presale tickets – how to purchase and redeem:

For the first and quarterfinal rounds ONLY in 4A, and all rounds in 5A and 6A of the AIA State Basketball Playoffs, the Association will be using GoFan as a way for fans to buy tickets online and redeem them by using their mobile phone. The ticket link is: <https://gofan.co/app/school/AIA/Basketball>. Venue restrictions prevent the AIA from offering tickets online for all 1A, 2A, and 3A rounds, as well as restrictions for 4A semifinal and final rounds.

If you're a host site for the above-mentioned state basketball games, the following link is how you would redeem tickets presented to the ticket taker on the user's mobile phone with a GoFan purchased ticket: <https://www.huddletickets.com/training>

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

STATE HIGH SEED/ TOURNAMENT SITE DIRECTORS

State Basketball Tournament Budget

All State Tournament Site Directors must comply with the pre-determine AIA State Basketball State tournament budget that is posted for their conference level for State Tournament event they are hosting. To see the pre-determine AIA State Basketball State tournament budget that is posted for their conference level go to the following link:

<http://aiaonline.org/athletics/budget-expense>

If a site director is at or below the AIA pre-approved event staff budget, the site director does send any budget form to the AIA for approval.

Any additions to the pre-determine AIA State Basketball State tournament budget must be approved a minimum of 24 hours prior to the day of the event. Contact Ron Halbach regarding additions to the budget.

Note: The number of police required at the event are posted on the pre-approved budgets but their compensation is not indicated. The police compensation at an AIA member school hosting an AIA event is based on the contracted compensation agreed to by the school district and the local law enforcement agency.

The AIA State Compensation for AIA event staff at the AIA State Basketball State Tournament are posted on the pre-determine AIA State Basketball State tournament budget forms.

State Tournament Score Reporting

Post-Season Results- immediately at the conclusion of the game:

Two hours prior to start of your state tournament game, an email will be sent to the visiting and host school athletic director, as well as the host high school venue (if a neutral site) with a score reporting link. At the conclusion of the game, any of the three mentioned above may click on the score reporting link to be taken to the scores portion of their admin (upon logging into the system) to enter the game result. The goal is to have the result reported and posted immediately at the conclusion of the game.

TOURNAMENT SIGNS/ARTIFICIAL NOISEMAKERS

Signs are not permitted at any indoor tournament sponsored by the AIA. (AIA Bylaw 12.1.4)

Artificial noisemakers are prohibited at state playoff venues. If any artificial noisemaker is brought into a game site, the item will be confiscated. The playing of music/sound effects shall only be

permitted by game announce or the school pep (in conjunction with the game announce) during pre-game, time-outs, intermission and post-game. (NFHS rule 1-18).

CAMERAS

- Cameras (with no flash) are permitted.
- Hand held video cameras are permitted at high school sites by parents of participants filming their own child's performance. Please notify parents that tripod equipment is not permitted in the stands.

EMERGENCY/MEDICAL HOST SITE REQUIREMENTS

- **Every school must have an emergency action plan in place and submitted to the AIA in order to host a post season tournament. Please go to link for the [Anyone Can Save A Life - Emergency Action Plan](#) at:**

<http://aiaonline.org/files/14196/tournaments-anyone-can-save-a-life-policy.pdf>

Per AIA Executive Board approved policy, AIA Member schools must engage a qualified medical professional (QMP) or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) for all AIA State Basketball games at high seed site locations.

At all AIA managed State Basketball games at neutral site locations, the AIA has the responsibility to engage a qualified medical professional (QMP) or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) at the neutral site.

IF THERE IS NO QMP OR EMT AT THE GAME, THE GAME WILL NOT BE PLAYED.

QMP means:

- ATC - Certified Athletic Trainer
- MD - Medical Doctor
- DO - Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
- NP - Licensed Nurse Practitioner
- PA - Licensed Physician's Assistant

(QMP as defined by Arizona Revised Statute 15-341)

- If a school does not have a QMP or EMT and the opposing school does, in order for the game to proceed, the QMP or EMT agrees to cover the opposing school as well as their own school.

Method of Payment for QMP/EMT:

- Refer to <http://aiaonline.org/about/procedures-manual> QMP/EMT Coverage/Protocol instructions.
- **NOTE: If ONLY an EMT is at the game, any player removed due to suspected head injury or concussion will not be allowed to enter or re-enter the game based on an EMT evaluation. Return to play or practice can only be based on evaluation by a QMP (Arizona Revised State Statute 15-341).**

- **Required 48 hours Notice:**

- **If you are unable to provide for a Qualified Medical Professional (MD, DO, Physician's Assistant, Nurse Practitioner or Certified Athletic Trainer) or an EMT to be at your game, please contact AIA Office Assistant Jessica Garcia (602-385-3810 X201) (jegarcia@aiaonline.org) for assistance.**

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

STATE TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATING TEAMS

No more than 15 players shall suit up, participate or be listed on the roster of a school team for State Tournament teams. (AIA Bylaw; Article 21.10.2.5)

If possible, each team should have two sets of uniforms, one of light color and the other dark. The **light color uniforms are for the home team**. The team that violates this policy should change. If there is doubt, the officials should request the home team to change; on a neutral floor the officials decide. (National Federation Basketball Rule 3, Section 4, Art. 1 C). The AIA recommends that the designated home team participating in a state playoff (neutral site) game bring two sets of jerseys.

Only **two school statisticians** and **one scorebook recorder** will be admitted free. Statisticians must enter with the team and coaches as support staff. Statisticians and scorebook recorder will be assigned a place to sit adjacent to the team's assigned bench area.

The **home team** bench at all State games will be to the right side of the scores table facing the basketball floor.

- All State Sites will use a **Wilson ball** that has the "National Federation of State High School Associations" stamp on it. The state site has been issued the Wilson Basketball that will be in use at all AIA State Basketball Tournament playoff games..

Note: The ball that will be in use for all neutral site games will be the Wilson Solution Basketball (girls-B0701, boys-B0700) game ball.

A QMP is **on duty** 15 minutes before each game and will be at courtside for the entire game. **Pre-game taping is the responsibility of each school's team.**

A coach shall be in attendance during all pre-game warm-up sessions. Each state site will provide water for both teams courtside adjacent to the bench of the team.

TOURNAMENT PROGRAMS

AIA State Basketball Tournament programs are available free online at:

<https://www.kukulskipublishing.com/aia>

SOUVENIRS

Kukulski Brothers is the official supplier for AIA Souvenirs. ***Sale or distribution of AIA State related game t-shirts or any other souvenirs by any individual or company other than the Kukulski Brothers at any AIA State Tournament playoff site or game is prohibited.***

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State Tournament t-shirts, caps, etc. will be available at **some** of the centralized state tournament sites.

Note: state tournament souvenirs may be ordered online during or after the state tournament by going to: <http://www.kukulskibrothers.com>

Please call David Kukulski or Dan Kukulski at (480) 921-1975 if you have any questions regarding the purchase of state tournament programs or souvenirs.

SPIRITLINES

Spirit Lines, cheerleaders, and pep bands are permitted to perform only in designated areas; **Please, no amplifiers.** For safety reasons, if a spiritlines and cheerleaders need to practice or stretch at the state basketball game site, the squad's coach should ask the game site director to receive direction for a safe and appropriate space. Official rules for spiritlines (cheerleaders) shall be those of the current edition of the National Federation Spirit Rules Book and the AIA Constitution and Bylaws.

- **Specific information for spiritline coaches and teams can be found in the Spiritline Conduct Guide, which is available on the AIA Spiritline specific page on AIAonline.org.**
- <http://aiaonline.org/files/8397/spiritline-basketball-conduct-guide.pdf>

HALF-TIME ENTERTAINMENT

- Home team: the spiritline may perform the first three minutes of half time.
- Visiting team: the spiritline may perform the next three minutes of half time.
- Total half-time performance(s) will be six minutes.
- If a school has more than one performance group (spiritline and pom squad), they would share the three minutes of allotted half time performance time.
- It is expected that spiritline, cheerleaders and pep bands will demonstrate respect and good sportsmanship by not disrupting the half-time presentation of their competitor.
- Any taped music to be used at half-time should be marked, ready to play at the appropriate place on the CD or tape and should be given to the Site Director at the beginning of the game at high school sites, and to the person checking you in at any of the three arena sites. It is suggested that two copies of the tape be provided.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR CONTROL OF SPECTATOR BEHAVIOR

The National Federation of High School Associations disapproves of any form of taunting which is intended to embarrass, ridicule or demean others under any circumstances. (National Federation Rule 10, Section 4, article 1 D).

AIA Bylaw; Article 16.3.4 stipulates that student spectators, parents, or other non-school personnel that initiate or use profanity in cheers or cheers having the intent of sounding profane, single out opposing players personally and/or heckle them by directing derogatory or profane statements or chants at them, use racist remarks or direct offensive cheers /chants at opposing individuals, teams or fans are in violation of the AIA sportsmanship rules. At all contests, including region and state tournament contests, participating school's administrators have the responsibility to control their fan behaviors, either student or adult.

Any spectator conduct that becomes unruly or interferes with the orderly progress of the game will result in the suspension of the game until offending spectator(s) are removed from the game site. Artificial noisemakers are prohibited at state playoff venues. If any artificial noisemaker is brought into a game site,

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the item will be confiscated. The playing of music/sound effects shall only be permitted during pre-game, time-outs, intermission and post-game and will be under the control of the site game announcer.

AIA state high seed site and neutral site game directors should work with the competing team participating school team administrators to assist the site staff with control of fans. Each site director should have a proactive game management plan in place to prevent any and all fans from coming onto the game court during or after any state playoff basketball game.

ADA COMPLIANCE NOTICE

ADA NOTICE:

It is the policy of the Arizona Interscholastic Association not to discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operation of its programs, services and activities, or in its hiring and employment practices.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as sign language interpreter, by making a request to the office staff. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

AIA ADA COMPLIANCE OFFICER:

Questions, concerns, complaints, or requests for additional information may be forwarded to the AIA ADA Compliance officer:

Joe Paddock – Assistant Executive Director
Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc.
7007 North 18th Street
Phoenix, Arizona, 85020
602-385-3810

Arizona State University Wells Fargo Arena Spectator Policy

Clear Bag Policy

To enhance public safety and make stadium access more efficient, Sun Devil Athletics adopted a Clear Bag Policy. Fans may bring in one (1) clear bag no larger than 12" x 6" x 12" or a 1-gallon plastic storage bag. Fans are limited to one clear bag per person, along with a small clutch or purse for privacy. Please refer to the pictures above for non-approved bags.

Prohibited Items

For the safety and security of our guests, all prohibited items must be returned to the owner's car or discarded.

The following items are prohibited inside any ASU athletics venue and are causes for removal. No refunds:

- Soft or hard sided coolers, ice chests
- Glass or metal containers
- Outside beverages
- Tortillas
- Use of tobacco products, including e-cigarettes and smokeless cigarettes/tobacco
- Cameras with detachable lenses greater than 6" or video cameras
- Tripods, monopods, or selfie sticks for cameras/phones
- Full size strollers
- Backpacks, diaper bags and other similar bags will not be allowed
- Bikes, skateboards, scooters, hover boards, long boards
- Large golf umbrellas
- Pitchforks (wood, metal, plastic)
- Sticks, poles or similar objects that can be used as a weapon
- Weapons of any kind including those carried with permit
- Fireworks, drones or laser pointers
- Artificial noisemakers (Example: air horns, thunderstix, musical instruments, cans filled with contents, whistles, cow bells or any other item used to make artificial noise)
- No pets/animals

Only the following items will be permitted upon entrance into ASU athletics facilities:

- Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12"
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar)
- Small clutch bags (no larger than 4.5" x 6.5") with or without a handle or strap can be taken into the venue

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- Medically necessary items after proper inspection at gates
- Factory sealed water bottles 51 oz. / 1.5 liters or smaller
- Empty non-disposable plastic water bottles • Small retractable umbrellas
- Umbrella strollers
- Service animals
- Seat cushions and chair backs must be 18" or less in width (No pockets, zippers, compartments, or covers)

Gila River Arena Spectator Policies

Gila River Arena is committed to creating a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable entertainment experience.

GUESTS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW THE BELOW GUIDELINES AND SHOULD EXPECT AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE:

Gila River Arena staff has been trained to intervene where necessary to help ensure that the above expectations are met, and guests are encouraged to report any inappropriate behavior to the nearest Usher, Security Officer, or Guest Services Team Member.

Guests who choose not to adhere to these provisions will be subject to ejection without refund, season ticket holders may also be subject to having their season subscription revoked, and may also be in violation of city ordinances resulting in possible arrest and prosecution. If you feel that our staff does not address any issues to your satisfaction, please request to speak with a Supervisor or Manager immediately. Venue Management reserves the right to approve, adjust, or enforce any policy at their discretion.

DISTURBANCES

All Guests must maintain reasonable and appropriate behavior at all times. Guests using offensive language or engaging in disorderly conduct may be ejected from the facility and may be subject to arrest. Ejected Guests will not receive a refund for their tickets or be compensated in any way for their loss.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Weapons of any kind (guns/knives/pepper spray), any object that can be used to inflict bodily injury or disrupt the event, chemical dispensing devices, noise-making devices, 2-way radios
- Any item that may be deemed potentially harmful
- Backpacks and Oversized Bags
- Outside food, beverage, liquid containers, alcohol, cans, bottles, flasks (Hydroflasks, metal, etc.), coolers or water bottles.
- Laptops, any type of personal computers, and tablets (i.e. iPads, TouchPads, etc.) will not be permitted inside
- Laser pointers, flashlights, handcuffs, fireworks, alcohol, drugs, and/or illegal substances
- Professional photography equipment (detachable/interchangeable lenses), audio/video recording devices, tripods, monopods (selfie sticks), tablets, laptops, computers, promotional materials

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- Signs, flags, banners, posters larger than 24"x 36" (may NOT be attached to a pole/stick), strollers, skateboards, skates, stickers, balloons, markers
- Pamphlets or product samples
- Drugs or illegal substances