



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Baseball Memo #1

February 19, 2024

Good afternoon, Head Baseball Coaches, AD's, & Asst. AD's –

1. Spring Batting Practice

A quick reminder that our 15 days allotted for voluntary spring batting practice was updated last year to allow 5 of these 15 dates to be full voluntary practice to work on all aspects of the game (fielding, base-running, situational, etc.) in addition to BP. The 3-hour time limit was removed last year as well. The start date for this is a week from today, **Monday, February 26th** and can be utilized anytime up to the first day of practice (April 29). AD's, be sure to know the dates your programs plan to utilize these 15 total dates. [Manual: Baseball \(iahsaa.org\)](https://iahsaa.org/manual/baseball)

2. Rule Meeting

The 2024 rules meeting will be available for viewing and completion on Monday, March 25th (Week 39) for those unable to attend the presentation at the IHSBCA coach's clinic last month. The NFHS, our national governing body, has made a couple rule updates/changes that you will want to be sure to be up to date on (covered, in detail in rules meeting):

- One-way radio communication.
- Game Management.
- Emphasis on Pace of Play.
- [NFHS-Baseball-Rules-Changes-2024.pdf \(iahsaa.org\)](https://iahsaa.org/nfhs-baseball-rules-changes-2024.pdf)

3. Bound Directory

AD's, please ensure your directory on Bound is up to date. I have many schools that do not have a baseball coach listed or do not have their contact information listed on here. Please ensure they are getting communications coming as we are pulling contact information directly from Bound.

4. Lineup Cards

The IHSAA will still print lineup cards for schools but by request ONLY. Below is a link to complete an order. All requests must be submitted by **3:00pm on Friday, April 12**. Printable & fillable PDF's also available on website or on links below:

- [2024 Baseball Lineup Card - ORDER FORM](#)
- [Baseball Lineup Card - PRINTABLE](#)
- [Baseball Lineup Card - FILLABLE](#)

5. Future Information Coming

Later you will see on our [Baseball Page](#) and/or receive emails on:

- Preliminary Classifications with co-ops
- Post Season Manual

Thanks, and please do not hesitate to reach out if any questions arise as the 2024 season approaches.



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