



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Baseball Memo #4

April 19, 2024

Good morning, Head Baseball Coaches & AD's –

Just have a couple quick updates as we approach the official start of the 2024 baseball season on April 29th.

1. 2024 Online Rules Meetings

We still have several coaches that have yet to complete the required online rules meeting through Bound. Coaches have until Friday, May 10th, to view and receive credit for completing this. Whitney Schlicht will be reaching out to individual schools if this requirement has not been met as May 10 approaches. AD's, ensure your directory is up to date as this is what is utilized in tracking the head coach's completion of this requirement.

2. Scholarship Rule Change

The penalty for a failing grade has changed from 30 calendar days to 20 calendar days, per the department of education, and is already in effect. Looking ahead to the start of the season, the 20 calendar day period begins on Monday, May 13 (1st competition date) and the athlete regains eligibility on Sunday, June 2.

3. IHSAA Ejection Policy

We have an update to the ejection policy as well I want to ensure everyone is made aware of. The ejection policy is no longer sport specific, meaning the student will miss the season opener of the next sport participated in if ejected from the last spring contest, which in this groups case would be baseball.

4. NFHS Compliance

We are an NFHS state so be sure to refer to the NFHS rule book on all equipment being used and purchased. One item that has been coming up across multiple states is bat compliance. Below are two links from NFHS on clarifying one specific bat and grip wraps. I have also included a link that lists all approved bats. This bat list is also on our [Baseball Page](#) of the IHSAA website. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

- [Warstic-Bonesaber-3-Compliance-Memo](#)
- [2nd-Compliance-Memo-of-the-Warstic-Bonesaber-with-photos](#)
- [NFHS Approved Bats](#)

5. Classifications

Please double check preliminary baseball classifications [HERE](#). They will be finalized at the end of this week.

6. Postseason Manual

The [2024 Baseball Postseason Manual](#) is now available. As always, all baseball materials, including manuals, past memos, news posts, etc. can be found on our [Baseball Page](#).

Thanks, and do not hesitate to reach out with any questions as officially kick off the 2024 season a week from Monday.



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