IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



Baseball Memo #4

May 2, 2025

Good morning, Head Baseball Coaches, AD's, & Asst. AD's -

Just have a couple of quick updates as we approach the official start of the 2025 baseball season on Monday!

1. 2025 Online Rules Meetings

We still have several coaches that have yet to complete the required online rules meeting through Bound. Coaches have until Monday, May 19, 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 19 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. Pitch Count Entry into Bound

As mentioned, at the IHSBCA clinic in January and in the 2025 rules meeting, there will be some notification safeguards to ensure everyone is fulfilling their responsibility of entering their pitch counts into Bound. An automatic notification will be sent out at 9:00am following a game night to your school administrators (Supt., Principal, and AD) if the pitch count is not entered. I will follow up with those schools individually that still do not have their counts entered by noon. This is already set up and will be implemented on May 19, the first legal competition date. This was in conjunction with our baseball advisory committee to ensure accountability for coaches to enter these in a timely manner.

3. Line Up Cards

If you submitted the form to order these, you should have received them at this point. If you have not, please follow up if you still do not have them towards the end of next week.

4. Pitch Count Tools

I will again provide a pitch count form, and a pitch count spread sheet in the next baseball memo prior to our first legal competition date. We had too many forfeited contests last year due to pitch count violations. I would really like to see this be minimal to none. Please be diligent in this, know the cut-offs on days' rest, and use the resources provided to help prevent said violations.

5. Classifications

Please double check preliminary baseball classifications <u>HERE</u>. They will be finalized at the end of next week.

Thanks, and do not hesitate to reach out with any questions as officially kick off the 2025 season Monday.



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