



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Baseball Memo #1

February 23, 2026

1. Spring Batting Practice

Reminder that our 15 days allotted for **voluntary** spring batting practice does 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 start date for this is Monday, **March 2nd** and can be utilized anytime up to the 1st day of practice (May 4). AD's, be sure to know the dates your programs plan to utilize these 15 total dates and have them on file.

2. Rules Meeting

The 2026 rules meeting will be available for viewing and completion on Monday, March 30th (Week 39) for those unable to attend the in-person presentation at the IHSBCA coach's clinic in January. The NFHS, our national governing body, has rule updates/changes for the 2026 season, as well as points of emphasis, that you will want to be sure you are up to date on (covered, in detail in rules meeting):

- [Proper Pitching Positions](#)
- [NFHS 2026 Points of Emphasis](#)
- [NFHS 2026 Baseball Rule Changes](#)

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 (email & cell). Please ensure they are getting communications coming as we are pulling contact information directly from Bound.

4. Lineup Cards

IHSAA will print lineup cards for schools by REQUEST ONLY. Below is a link to complete the order. All requests must be submitted by **3:00pm on Thursday, April 10**. Printable & fillable PDF's also available on website or on links below:

- [2026 Baseball Line Up Card Order Form](#)
- [Baseball Lineup Card - PRINTABLE](#)
- [Baseball-LineUp-Card-FILLABLE](#)

5. Preliminary Classifications

Preliminary classifications are now posted on our [Classifications: Baseball | IHSAA](#). Please look over this and if you are involved in a co-op, ensure that it is listed on this. Please contact our office with any discrepancies.