

3A Conference Constitution

ARTICLE I – NAME

1.1 *The name of this Conference shall be the 3A Conference of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, hereinafter referred to as the A.I.A.*

1.2 DIVISION OF 3A CONFERENCE

1.2.1 *The 3A Conference shall be divided into four regions: East, South, West, and North. The conference is made up of the largest (in enrollment) one third of schools with student enrollment of 1200 or less. A school may appeal to be in a higher or lower conference.*

ARTICLE II – SUPPORT OF A.I.A.

2.1 *This Conference shall be part of the A.I.A. and shall in no way contradict the constitution and by-laws of the A.I.A. The Conference may impose stricter limitations or guidelines on itself. It may not impose limitations or guidelines that are of a lesser nature than that of the A.I.A. Constitution or By-Laws.*

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

3.1 *The purpose of this organization shall be to regulate, control, and promote, within the framework of the A.I.A. all interscholastic activities in which it's member schools participate.*

3.2 *To promote cooperation, good relations, and good sportsmanship between and among member schools.*

3.3 *To promote interscholastic activities within the regulations of the conference and the A.I.A.*

3.4 *To provide a common basis for administrators to study and resolve mutual problems that fall within the scope of this conference.*

3.5 *To provide schools with a region to aid in the filling of athletic schedules.*

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP

4.1 MEMBERSHIP

4.1.1 *Membership shall be determined by the regulations as established by the A.I.A.*

4.2 ASSIGNMENT TO CONFERENCE

4.2.1 *Member schools of this conference shall be in accordance with enrollment figures and petitions as determined by the A.I.A. Legislative Council and / or Executive Board, or the 3A Executive Committee.*

4.3 REGIONAL ASSIGNMENT

4.3.1 *The 3A Conference Executive Committee will be responsible for placing a school in a Region. Refer to Article 9.7 in the 3A Constitution.*

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

5.1 *The officers of the 3A Conference shall consist of a president, president-elect (to serve as vice-president), secretary, and treasurer (appointed by the president).*

5.2 QUALIFICATIONS

5.2.1 *In order to be eligible to hold any of the above named offices, one must be a superintendent, assistant superintendent, principal, assistant principal, or athletic director of a 3A Conference member school.*

5.3 ELECTION

5.3.1 *The president-elect shall be elected at the annual Spring 3A Conference meeting. The president-elect shall be elected on a rotating basis from the regions, in order: West, East, South, and North.*

5.4 TERM OF OFFICE

5.4.1 *The term of office for the president and president-elect shall begin at the conclusion of the annual spring 3A Conference meeting.*

5.4.2 *The term of office for the secretary/treasurer shall begin at the time of appointment and terminate at the conclusion of the annual spring 3A Meeting.*

5.5 DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

5.5.1 *Call time and place for regular and special meetings.*

5.5.2 *Preside at all official meetings*

5.5.3 *Appoint a parliamentarian for each meeting.*

5.5.4 *Appoint a Secretary and/or Treasurer.*

5.5.5 *Perform other duties expected of the president.*

5.5.6 *Will be an automatic 'at-large member' of the legislative council in alternating years.*

5.6 DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

5.6.1 *Preside in the absence of the president.*

5.6.2 *Ascend to the office of the president the following year.*

5.7 DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY / TREASURER

The Secretary will:

5.7.1 *Keep an accurate account of the proceedings of all regular and special meetings.*

5.7.2 *Provide each member school with a copy of the minutes of each meeting.*

5.7.3 *Submit invoices and receipts to the A.I.A for payment.*

5.8 VACANCIES OF OFFICE

5.8.1 *Vacancies shall be filled by election, except for secretary and/or treasurer, at a regular or special 3A Conference Meeting.*

5.8.2 *The president shall appoint the replacement for the secretary and/or treasurer.*

ARTICLE VI – REPRESENTATION-MEETINGS

- 6.1 *There shall be at least three (3) regular business meetings of the Conference each year. These meetings will be held in the fall, winter, and spring respectively. The dates and times of these meetings are to be determined by the president with the approval of the 3A Executive Committee.*
- 6.2 *Notice of each regular meeting and agenda shall be sent to each member school and to schools applying for membership at least 10 working days prior to the time of the meeting.*
- 6.3 *Emergency meetings may be placed on the agenda by a simple majority of the members present.*

ARTICLE VII – CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

- 7.1 *All meetings of the 3A Conference and 3A Executive Committee will follow the Robert's Rules of Order.*

- 7.2 **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 7.2.1 *the order of business will be as follows:*

- Item 1. Roll Call*
 - Item 2. Reading of the Minutes of last meeting and approval*
 - Item 3. Treasurer's Report*
 - Item 4. Committee Reports*
 - Item 5. Old Business*
 - Item 6. New Business*
 - Item 7. Other*
 - Item 8. Date and Site of Next Meeting*
 - Item 9. Adjourning*

- 7.3 **CHANGING CLASSIFICATIONS**

- 7.3.1 *Member schools leaving the 3A Conference in the succeeding years will not vote on items of business, which affect only the ensuing years.*
 - 7.3.2 *Those schools assigned to the 3A Conference, as new members for the ensuing year shall have a vote on those items of business, which will affect them.*

ARTICLE VIII – REIMBURSEMENT

- 8.1 *Reimbursement of funds will be as set by the A.I.A.*

ARTICLE IX – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 9.1 **PURPOSE**

- 9.1.1 *To facilitate better cooperation, communication, and understanding between the regions of the 3A Conference and to serve during the interim between Conference meetings.*

- 9.2 *The executive committee shall consist of the conference president, president-elect, secretary-treasurer, region presidents, past president, and the A.I.A. executive board representative.*
- 9.3 *Each of the four region presidents shall have one vote. The conference president shall vote only to break ties. All other executive board members serve in an advisory capacity.*
- 9.4 *TERM OF OFFICE—The term of office for the executive committee members shall coincide with the term of the office that qualifies them for membership on the committee.*
- 9.5 *The 3A Executive Committee will hold a regular meeting at least one month prior to the regular scheduled Conference meeting.*

9.6 **DUTIES OF THE 3A CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- 9.6.1 *The executive committee shall have general control over the 3A Conference activities.*
- 9.6.2 *The executive committee has the authority to pay all 3A expenses incurred by the 3A conference executive committee.*
- 9.6.3 *Within the policies set forth by the A.I.A. and the 3A Conference, they shall:*
 - 9.6.3.1 *Interpret the constitution, by-laws, sport rules, and regulations of the conference.*
 - 9.6.3.2 *Interpret the constitution, by-laws, sport rules, and regulations of any 3A region upon request*
 - 9.6.3.3 *Arrange all state tournament competition subject to A.I.A. regulations and approval.*
 - 9.6.3.4 *Appoint special committees when necessary.*
 - 9.6.3.5 *Approve and set the Agenda for 3A Conference Meetings.*
 - 9.6.3.6 *Approve any request for scheduling of additional games.*
 - 9.6.3.7 *Provide a position statement to the A.I.A. Executive Board supporting or opposing the schools appeal on conference placement.*
 - 9.6.3.8 *Make recommendation(s) to the conference on dues, tournament sites, and general guidelines/information that need to be brought before the 3A Conference*

9.7 **REGIONAL ALIGNMENT**

- 9.7.1 *The 3A Conference Executive Committee will be responsible for placing a school in a Region based on the criteria set forth in the A.I.A By-Laws 8.2.1, 8.2.1.1, and 8.2.1.2 Member schools must ratify this by a majority vote (2-20-03).*
- 9.7.2 *The procedure for a school to appeal its Region placement is stated in A.I.A. By-Law 8.2.2.*

ARTICLE X – A.I.A. REPRESENTATION

10.1 **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

- 10.1.1 *One member shall be elected from each region and two ‘at-large’ from the conference through the regional rotational system. The 2A and 3A Conference Presidents serve on the council on a rotational basis. (Article 4.2.3 A.I.A Handbook).*
- 10.1.2 *In order to represent a region or conference on the A.I.A. Legislative Council, one shall be a school administrator or a Governing board member or region*

chairperson. A legislative council member shall not be a member of the A.I.A. Executive Board. Article 4.3.1 A.I.A. Handbook.

10.2 EXECUTIVE BOARD

10.2.1 One member of the A.I.A Executive Board shall be elected from the 3A Conference.

10.2.2 In order to represent the conference on the A.I.A. Executive Board, one must be a superintendent, assistant superintendent, district level athletic director, or high school administrator.

10.3 REPLACEMENTS

10.3.1 Replacements for A.I.A. Executive Board and Legislative Council vacancies for the 3A Conference shall be filled by election from within the region or conference according to the spot where the vacancy occurred.

ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS

11.1 CONSTITUTION

11.1.1 The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all the member schools present in a regular or special meeting.

11.1.2 Proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the secretary / treasurer at least 10 working days before the next regularly scheduled or special meeting of the 3A Conference Executive Committee and/or 3A Conference Meeting.

11.2 BY – LAWS

11.2.1 Member schools of the 3A Conference shall, by two-thirds vote of those present or special meeting, adopt or change by-laws as may be necessary or convenient for carrying out the provisions of this constitution.

11.2.2 Proposed changes to the By-Laws must follow the same guidelines for submitting the request of change or adoption as set forth in the 3A Constitution in Article 11 Section 1 Paragraph 2.

3A CONFERENCE BY – LAWS

ARTICLE XII

12.1 NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE CONTESTS:

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>Varsity</u>	<u>JV</u>	<u>Freshman</u>	<u>Invitational</u>
Football	10	09	09	0
Volleyball	20	19	19	3
Cross Country	12	10	10	12
Soccer	14	13	13	2
Basketball	20	19	19	2

Wrestling	12	12	12	4
Baseball	20	19	19	2
Softball	20	19	19	2
Track	12	10	08	12
Tennis	16	12	10	2
Golf	14	10	--	14

12.1.2 *Entering a contest counts as participation in one contest. (Dressing for contest does not count as contest). Entering a tournament will count as one contest.*

12.1.3 *The 3A Conference Executive Committee may grant one additional game per sport to aid member schools with scheduling problems. Permission to add an additional game can be granted by the Conference President for schools with scheduling problems.*

12.1.3.1 *The 3A Executive Committee will grant additional games based on the following; a new school who enters in the A.I.A. in the middle of a two-year block, to help a school that is having scheduling difficulties.*

ARTICLE XIII – STATE QUALIFYING

13.1 *Football*

13.1.1. **The first, second and third place teams from each Region’s regular season will earn an automatic bid into the state tournament along with four at-large qualifiers.*

13.1.2 **All Teams will be seeded in the State Tournament according to their regular season power rankings.*

13.1.3 ** The Tie-breaker for teams having the same Power Points will be: Head to Head, Common Opponents, Region Placing, Biggest Win (PP).*

13.2 *Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball, and Softball*

13.2.1 **The first, second and third place teams from each Region’s Region Tournament will earn an automatic bid into the state tournament along with four at-large qualifiers.*

13.2.2 *All Region Tournaments will host a tournament using an 8 Team Tournament Bracket Format.*

13.2.2.1 *All Region Tournaments will be seeded by Power Rankings*

13.2.3 **All Teams will be seeded in the State Tournament according to their regular season power rankings.*

13.2.4 ** The Tie-breaker for teams having the same Power Points will be: Head to Head, Common Opponents, Region Placing, Biggest Win (PP).*

****See Appendix A for 3A Conference Power Point System***

13.3 *Cross Country*

13.3.1 *4 Teams from each Region’s Region Meet. Top 15 Individuals or through Outside Qualifying Criteria adopted by 3A Conference.*

13.4 *Wrestling*

13.4.1 *4 Teams from each Region’s Region Individual Tournament.*

- 13.5 *Track*
 - 13.5.1 *4 Teams from each Region's Region Meet. Individuals qualify through Region's Region Meet or through Outside Qualifying Criteria.*
- 13.6 *Golf*
 - 13.6.1 *4 Teams from each Region's Region Tournament. Top 15 Individuals from Region's Region Tournament. Host School Automatically Qualifies.*
- 13.7 *Soccer*
 - 13.7.1 *3A Conference soccer teams will compete with the 1A Conference and 2A Conference teams. They will be placed in regions by a vote of the participating school athletic directors. Qualifying for the state tournament is determined by a vote of the participating schools prior to the season. Qualified teams will advance to either a fall or winter season state tournament.*
- 13.8 *Tennis*
 - 13.8.1 *3A Conference tennis teams will compete with the 2A Conference in region tournaments and in the state tournaments. Teams shall be placed in the regions through a vote of the participating schools athletic directors.*

ARTICLE XIV – CROSS COUNTRY

- 14.1 *Boys and Girl's shall run a course distance not to exceed 3.1 miles.*
- 14.2 *An athlete who meets, or exceeds the outside qualification mark at a qualifying meet may qualify for the state meet. The qualification standard shall be the Outside Qualifying Criteria Adopted by the 3A Conference.*

ARTICLE XV – FOOTBALL

- 15.1 *First round games will be played at the home field of the higher seed.*
- 15.2 *The quarterfinals, semi finals and championship will be played at a neutral site.*
- 15.3 *3A Conference Playoff System*
 - 15.3.1 *All 3A games between 3A schools must have a winner.*
- 15.4 *An All-State Team will be selected. See Article 26.*

ARTICLE XVI – BASEBALL / SOFTBALL

- 16.1 *The State Tournament games will be held at a neutral site.*
- 16.2 *An All-State Team will be selected. See Article 26.*
- 16.3 *A State All Tournament Team will be selected from the state tournament. See Article 27.*

ARTICLE XVII – BASKETBALL

- 17.1 *An All-State Team will be selected. See Article 26.*
- 17.2 *A Girl's and Boy's State All Tournament Team will be selected from the state tournament. See Article 27.*

ARTICLE XVIII – GOLF

- 18.1 *The state championship meet will consist of 36 holes, 18 on each day of two consecutive days.*
- 18.2 *Coaching will be permitted as per USGA Rules of Golf.*
- 18.3 *The State Tournament will rotate sites yearly by region, in the following order: West, South, North/ East,*
- 18.4 *Female players will be permitted to play from the ladies tee markers in competition.*
- 18.5 *Yardage-Region and State competition play will range in yardage for an 18 hole round by the following yardage guidelines:
Men—6,100 to 6,600 yards
Women—5,500 to 5,900 yards*

ARTICLE XIX – SOCCER

- 19.1 *Schools may elect to play in the fall or winter*

ARTICLE XX – TRACK AND FIELD

- 20.1 *The State Championships Meet will have a minimum of three A.I.A. certified officials to include; starter, referee, and head field judge.*
- 20.2 *Each region may qualify four (4) participants for each event to be contested in the state meet.*
- 20.3 *An athlete who meets, or exceeds, the outside qualification mark at a qualifying meet shall automatically qualify for the state meet. The qualification standard shall be determined by the fourth place mark of the previous year's state meet.*
- 20.4 *The outside qualifying chairman must sanction an outside qualifying meet consisting of a minimum of five or more schools. The outside qualifying standards will be reviewed after each season.*
- 20.5 *Lane / flight assignments at regional / state meets must meet National Federation rules.*
- 20.6 *Field event areas, weight implements and pole-vaulting events must meet National Federation guidelines and rules.*
- 20.7 *The duties of the meet director, and other events staff is outlined in the AIA By-Laws, NFHS rule book, and NFHS case book and the HFHS official's manual.*
- 20.8 *The first year of a two-year block, the girls will precede the boys in all running events. The second year of a two-year block, the boys will precede the girls. For the Field events, the rotation shall "flip-flop" from the first year to the second*
- 20.9 *Scoring at ALL track meets shall be to eight places following NFHS rules.*
- 20.10 *State meet operations are assigned by the AIA to the meet director. The Conference Executive Committee may make recommendation to the AIA on meet operation.*
 - 20.10.1 *The meet director shall serve as the outside qualification chair.*

ARTICLE XXI – VOLLEYBALL

- 21.1 *An All-State Team will be selected. See Article 26.*
- 21.2 *A State All Tournament Team will be selected from the state tournament. See Article 27.*

ARTICLE XXII – WRESTLING

- 22.1 *The State Tournament shall be a 16-man double-elimination bracket (cross-bracketing from quarterfinals) to eight (8) places as stated in the National Federation Rule Book, Rule 10-4.*
- 22.2 *National Federation scoring shall be used as stated in Rule 9 of the National Federation Rule Book, to eight (8) places.*
- 22.3 *The pairings of the bracket shall be based on seeding by the 3A Conference seeding committee.*
- 22.4 *All matches at the state meet shall be conducted under current National Federation rules.*

ARTICLE XXIII – TENNIS

23.1 STATE TEAM TENNIS TOURNAMENT

- 23.1.1 *The state tournament will be held at a site determined by the AIA.*
- 23.1.2 *The first round individual tournament and team tournament pairings will rotate yearly. (example: one team from the south region will host the number two team from the west and vise-versa.)*
- 23.1.3 *The six single matches will be two out of three sets and the three double matches will be pro 10.*
- 23.1.4 *The first team to five points will be the State Team Tennis Champion.*

23.2 INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

- 23.2.1 *Each region will advance their top four qualifiers in singles and doubles.*
- 23.2.2 *Single elimination tournament with all matches played two out of three sets.*
- 23.2.3 *Medals will be awarded to the top four finishers in each event.*

ARTICLE XXIV – DRESS CODE

- 24.1 *All players in all sports are required to wear appropriate school approved uniforms for region and state tournament play.*

ARTICLE XXV – TWO-YEAR BINDING PERIOD

- 25.1 *All by-laws and constitutional changes or adoptions, are binding for two years from the date that they were passed. The conference executive committee has the authority to consider appeals to place a by-law or constitutional change on the agenda during that time for reconsideration.*
- 25.2 *All by-laws and constitutional changes or adoptions that are voted on may not be brought before the 3A Conference as a whole for two years.*

ARTICLE XXVI – ALL-STATE SELECTION PROCEDURE

26.1 **ALL-STATE TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURE and BY-LAW**

26.1.1 3A Conference All State Team will consist of:

<i>Sport</i>	<i>Teams</i>	<i>Number of players selected</i>
<i>Baseball</i>	<i>All State</i>	<i>25 total</i>
<i>Basketball (boys/girls)</i>	<i>All State</i>	<i>13 total</i>
<i>Football</i>	<i>Offense: 1st/2nd/HM</i>	<i>14/14/limited*</i>
<i>Football</i>	<i>Defense: 1st/2nd/HM</i>	<i>14/14/limited*</i>
<i>Softball</i>	<i>All State</i>	<i>25 total</i>
<i>Volleyball</i>	<i>All State</i>	<i>15</i>

26.1.2 All-State Teams will be picked from the four All-Region Teams.

26.1.3 In football, any player receiving a vote for first or second team, that does not make either team, will automatically be placed on the honorable-mention team providing the vote was made by another coach, not that player’s coach.

26.1.4 Region Players of the Year will be given special consideration for All-State in football and will be automatic All-State selections in other sports.

26.1.5 The 4 Region designees (representatives) will vote to select the 3A All-State Team. It is recommended that these representatives be coaches of the current Region Championship teams.

26.1.6 Certificates will be provided by the 3A Conference.

26.2 **NOMINATION PROCEDURES**

26.2.1 The Committee Chairman will send nomination forms, guidelines, procedures, etc. to each head coach in the conference around the middle of the regular season.

26.2.2 Coaches are encouraged to send out information packets on those players they feel strongly about being selected to the All-State Team.

26.2.3 It is the responsibility of each head coach to return his or her nomination ballots to the committee chairman by no later than the Monday following the state championship game.

26.2.4 Each region is responsible to select one designee to aide in this selection process, keeping in mind that this person is expected to be knowledgeable and willing to select the best, most deserving players.

26.2.5 Each sport’s “Selection Committee” will select a 3A Conference athletic director to help facilitate the selection meeting for their sport. Football has recommended that the committee chairman be a current head coach in the sport in question. (The make up of the actual selection committee will have an athletic director, a chairman and four voting representatives – one from each region.)

26.2.6 Approximately one week after the state championship game, the “Selection Committee” will meet to select the All-State teams.

- 26.2.7 *Head coaches are expected to provide a priority list of their players to the selection committee, if they nominate more than one player.*
- 26.2.8 *Each sport may declare a “Player of the Year” (football will have an offensive and defensive Player of Year).*

26.3 **SELECTION PROCEDURE : ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL:**

- 26.3.1 *List all Athletes by position*
- 26.3.2 *Tally the votes from the ballots for each athlete by position*
- 26.3.3 *Declare a player of the year on offense and defense based on total votes*
- 26.3.4 *An athlete can make both offense and defensive teams, but only in one position for each*
- 26.3.5 *No ties will be permitted for any position on first or second teams*
- 26.3.6 *All teams must stay within the total number per team as listed in the by-laws*

26.4 **CRITERIA FOR BREAKING A TIE : The committee will evaluate and discuss the following in order to decide a tie:**

- 26.4.1 *Use available statistics*
- 26.4.2 *Compare statistics vs. opponents with winning records*
- 26.4.3 *Team record for each athlete’s team*
- 26.4.4 *Strength of schedules for each team’s athlete*
- 26.4.5 *Team and Region awards each athlete has received*
- 26.4.6 *Personal observation by each committee member*
- 26.4.7 *Only one committee member from each region will vote*
- 26.4.8 *If one of the committee members has an athlete involved, that member must leave the room for the discussion and vote for that position.*

26.5 **DISTRIBUTION PROCESS**

- 26.5.1 *It is the responsibility of the Committee Chairman to distribute the finalized All-State Teams to the Presidents of the ACA, AzFCA and each head coach of each 3A Conference school.*
- 26.5.2 *It is the responsibility of each head coach to notify and provide his or her local newspaper(s) with the list.*
- 26.5.3 *It is the responsibility of the Committee Chairman to distribute certificates.*

ARTICLE XXVII– STATE ALL-TOURNAMENT SELECTION PROCEDURE

27.1 **STATE ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES**

27.1.1 *3A Conference State All Tournament Team will consist of:*

<i>Sport</i>	<i>Teams</i>	<i>Number of players selected</i>
<i>Baseball</i>	<i>State All-Tournament</i>	<i>15 Total</i>
<i>Basketball (boys/girls)</i>	<i>State All-Tournament</i>	<i>15 Total</i>
<i>Softball</i>	<i>State All-Tournament</i>	<i>15 Total</i>
<i>Volleyball</i>	<i>State All-Tournament</i>	<i>15 Total</i>
<i>Football</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>

Soccer (boys/girls)	Under 1A-3A Soccer	League Guidelines
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27.1.2 Athletic Director and Head Coach of State Championship Team shall be responsible for gathering the names of players to be recognized from each of the participating schools.

27.1.3 Each Team in the State Tournament will receive 1 Selection for each Round they win.

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Appendix A

3A Conference – AIA Power Rankings System February 22, 2008 – Revised: September 22, 2009

The Formula:

$$\text{Power Ranking} = \frac{\text{Victory Points} + \text{Opponents Victory Points}}{\text{Number of Qualifying Games}}$$

Divisor: The divisor will be a hard number that is used from game one through the end of the season, as determined by **AIA Bylaws**, regarding number of games in a season of sport. The minimum divisor will be that as shown in the below chart. If a conference chooses, as part of the scheduling process, to require schools to play a minimum number of games (i.e. football, 8, or basketball, 16) a school may play out of state teams to accommodate this scheduling requirement, with the conference executive committee’s approval.

Sport	Max Divisor (based on AIA Bylaws)	Minimum Divisor (based on the exclusion of out of state games)
Badminton	14	12
Baseball	14 (3A Max.)	14 (3A Min.)
Basketball	14 (3A Max.)	14 (3A Min.)
Football	7 (3A Max.)	7 (3A Min.)
Soccer	12	10
Softball	14 (3A Max.)	14 (3A Min.)
Tennis – Team	14	12
Volleyball	14 (3A Max.)	14 (3A Min.)

State Qualifying/Seeding:

- **Football**

Regular Season Region Champions, 2nd and 3rd place teams from each Region’s regular season will earn an automatic bid into the State Tournament along with four at- large Qualifiers. Tournament will be seeded entirely by power rankings.

* The Tie-breaker for teams having the same Power Points will be: Head to Head, Common Opponents, Region Placing, Biggest Win (PP).

- **Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball and Softball**

Region Tournament Champions, 2nd and 3rd place teams from each Region's Region Tournament will earn an automatic bid into the State Tournament along with four at-large qualifiers. Tournament will be seeded entirely by power rankings.

Note: If an automatic qualifier is 17th in the power rankings, that team could potentially bump the 16th power ranked team if it is an at-large team.

Criteria to fill PP Games when short / over the required 14:

1. Schools must 1st choose 3A Region Opponents, if needed to get to 14. If dropping to 14, Schools must drop a 4A Opponent first and then a 2A Opponent.
2. If 3A Region opponents are not available, then they may choose 3A Non-Region Opponents (to get to 14)
3. If there are no 3A Opponents available, then they may choose 2A Opponents (to get to 14)
4. If there are no 2A or 3A Opponents to choose from, they may choose a 4A Opponent (to get to 14)
5. If a School chooses another 3A Opponent to fill their required 14 games, that opponent must count that game as one of their PP Counters, as well, and will then need to choose a 2A or a 4A Opponent to drop as a counter to stay at 14.

Team Sports Utilizing the Matrix

Victory Points: The matrix under each sport shows the point values for games between classifications (the left column would be your school, and the column across the top would be your opponent). It is possible for the point value of a game to be different for each team participating. This difference is not relevant to these schools in the playoff picture because they are not competing with each other for a playoff position.

- The victory point matrix will award victory points based on the following formula: Five (5) bonus points available times the number of max games played in a season of sport
 - Ex: 18 max games in basketball, so 90 victory points will be awarded per win
- Any schools that are of equal classification will have the opportunity to earn equal points (i.e. 3A vs. 3A= 50 for the winner)
- Any school playing one conference or division lower, can still earn the same points as if they were playing within their own conference or division (i.e. 4A-II vs. 4A-II = 50 for the winner, or 4A-II vs. 3A = 50 for 4A-II win or 55 for 3A win). This promotes the mission and philosophy of the AIA and encourages inter-conference play.
- Teams that play up could earn higher points (5A-I vs. 4A-I: If 5A-I wins they earn 45 victory points and if 4A-I wins they earn 60 victory points).

The below matrix encourages inter-conference play, and helps to promote the mission and philosophy of the AIA, and helps to reduce travel costs. This allows a 5A-II to play a 4A-I and

earn the same number of victory points that a 5A-II would playing a 5A-II. This is especially important in the Tucson area, where there are a limited number of 5A schools, and is predominantly 4A; furthermore, this encourages a 2A school to play a 1A, a 3A to play a 2A, or a 4A-II to play a 3A without losing any potential victory points.

Baseball, Basketball and Softball – 18 game max

Victory Points Matrix							
Your Class	Opponents Class						
	1A	2A	3A	4A-II	4A-I	5A-II	5A-I
1A	90	95	100	105	110	115	120
2A	90	90	95	100	105	110	115
3A	85	90	90	95	100	105	110
4A-II	80	85	90	90	95	100	105
4A-I	75	80	85	90	90	95	100
5A-II	70	75	80	85	90	90	95
5A-I	65	70	75	80	85	90	90

Football – 10 game max

Victory Points Matrix							
Your Class	Opponents Class						
	1A	2A	3A	4A-II	4A-I	5A-II	5A-I
1A	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2A	50	50	55	60	65	70	75
3A	45	50	50	55	60	65	70
4A-II	40	45	50	50	55	60	65
4A-I	35	40	45	50	50	55	60
5A-II	30	35	40	45	50	50	55
5A-I	25	30	35	40	45	50	50

Volleyball (Girls) – 17 game max

Victory Points Matrix							
Your Class	Opponents Class						
	1A	2A	3A	4A-II	4A-I	5A-II	5A-I
1A	85	90	95	100	105	110	115
2A	85	85	90	95	100	105	110
3A	80	85	85	90	95	100	105
4A-II	75	80	85	85	90	95	100
4A-I	70	75	80	85	85	90	95
5A-II	65	70	75	80	85	85	90
5A-I	60	65	70	75	80	85	85

Opponent Victory Points: Opponent victory points are earned based upon the number of victories of your opponents. Each victory is valued based upon the matrix system which

compares the classification of each participating team. The opponent victory points are added together for all qualifying games. Opponents victory points are awarded for all games played up to the maximum number of games allowed per AIA Bylaws. The matrix shown here gives values for opponent victory points (the left column would be your opponent's classification, and the column across the top would be their opponent).

Opponent Victory Points Matrix							
Opponents Class	Their Opponents Class						
	1A	2A	3A	4A-II	4A-I	5A-II	5A-I
1A	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5
2A	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0
3A	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5
4A-II	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0
4A-I	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5
5A-II	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
5A-I	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.0

Team Sports Not Utilizing the Victory Point Matrix

Badminton – 14 game max

Victory Points: 70 points for a win, regardless of the classification of the opponent

Bonus Points: 5 points for each opponent victory, regardless of the classification

Soccer (1A/2A/3A) – 12 game max (will be looked at for future use)

Victory Points: 60 points for a win, regardless of the classification of the opponent

Bonus Points: 5 points for each opponent victory, regardless of the classification

Tennis (2A/3A Team) – 14 game max (will be looked at for future use)

Victory Points: 70 points for a win, regardless of the classification of the opponent

Bonus Points: 5 points for each opponent victory, regardless of the classification

Volleyball (Boys) – 17 game max

Victory Points: 85 points for a win, regardless of the classification of the opponent

Bonus Points: 5 points for each opponent victory, regardless of the classification