
NORTH EAST
ALBERTA SCHOOLS'
ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION
BYLAWS

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PREFACE

This Constitution of the North East Alberta Schools Athletic Association contains the By-laws for the Association. Should any matter arise which is not addressed within this Constitution, reference will be made to the current edition of the Alberta Schools' Athletic Association Handbook and Policies of the Association as approved from time to time.

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BY-LAWS FOR THE NORTH EAST ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization is the NORTH EAST ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, hereinafter referred to as the NEASAA or Association.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership in the NEASAA shall be open to any North East Alberta High School which receives Alberta Education Grants and which has paid its annual fee on or prior to the date of the general fall meeting of this Association.

North East Alberta High Schools shall mean rural and urban schools within the boundaries of the North East Zone as established by the Alberta Schools' Athletic Association (ASAA).

2. Applications from schools not receiving the Alberta Education School Grant shall be considered by the General Assembly of the NEASAA, and shall require a vote of acceptance from 60% of the Board of Governors in order to gain admission.
3. Applications for membership to the NEASAA shall be made to the President of the Association prior to August 30 of the current year and must be signed by the Principal of the school.
4. Any member school wishing to withdraw from membership may do so upon a notice in writing to the President of the NEASAA. The letter of withdrawal must be signed by the Principal of the school.
5. If any member school is in arrears of penalties, competition fees or annual fees for any year, such member school shall be automatically suspended and thereafter be entitled to no membership privileges until such time as outstanding assessments are paid.
6. Any member school may be expelled from membership for any cause which the Association may deem reasonable.
7. All members shall have the right to attend and vote at any general meeting, special meeting or annual meeting of the Associations' membership.

EXPULSION PROCEDURE:

- A. Written notice of the intention to expel must be given to the member school(s) involved and to all member schools thirty days prior to a general meeting of the Association.
- B. A 75% vote of all voting members of the Association at said meeting is necessary for expulsion of a member school.

8. If member schools do not inform the President of the Association of their inability to send a representative to a meeting prior to that meeting, the member school shall be subject to the following penalties in the same school year:

- First offense - \$ 50.00
- Second offense - \$ 100.00

In addition to the fines, all schools are responsible for finding out all missed information.

9. Any member school that does not have a representative, with or without prior notice, for (3) three consecutive meetings will receive a fine of \$50.

ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION

1. The governing body of the NEASAA shall be the Board of Governors consisting of:

- A. The Executive Committee
- B. Two voting representatives from each school member
- C. The zone Sports Commissioners
- D. The superintendents of all school jurisdictions within the NEASAA.

2. The NEASAA shall be divided into five geographic regions called Districts with membership as indicated in Section XXVI – MEMBER SCHOOLS of the NEASAA Policy Manual

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall mean the Executive of the NEASAA and shall consist of:

1. PRESIDENT - who must be a teacher or an administrator in a member school and who will retain office for a one year term.
2. PAST PRESIDENT - shall retain office for one year following the term of office as President, or until the position is taken by his successor. Should the immediate Past President no longer be associated with any member school of the Association, the office shall be assumed by the most recent past president still associated with a member school.
3. VICE-PRESIDENT - who must be a teacher or administrator in a member school, and who will retain office for a one year term.
4. SECRETARY - who must be a teacher or administrator in a member school and who will retain office for a one year term.
5. TREASURER - who must be a teacher or administrator in a member school and who will retain office for a one year term.

ARTICLE V - DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee shall, subject to the by-laws or directions given it by the majority vote at any properly constituted General Meeting have full control of the affairs of the Association. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held as often as the business of the Association requires and shall be called by the President. Special meetings may be called on the instruction of any two members thereof, provided they request the President in writing to call such a meeting and state the business to be brought before the meeting. Any three members shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Executive Committee and Board of Governors may, by mutual consent, and within reason, request the resignation of any member of the Committee at any time prior to the expiry date of the member's term of office. Further, any member of the committee may resign at any time, upon sending a written notice to the President. All members shall remain in office until their respective successors are elected.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. President - The President shall have the following duties:

To preside at the General and Executive meetings of the Association when present and able to act.

To represent the Association in contacting the Board of Education, the press and public.

To inquire into any matter pertaining to the affairs of the Association. The President may ask any representative to attend any meeting.

To be an ex-officio member of each committee authorized by NEASAA.

To ensure that the NEASAA is represented at all general meetings of the ASAA and to serve as a delegate whenever possible.

To ensure that all the NEASAA activities are conducted in accordance with the constitution, by-laws, and directions of the NEASAA.

To prepare an agenda for all general and executive meetings and distribute the agendas to all member schools two weeks prior to general meetings.

To make necessary arrangements for all meetings.

2. Past President - The Past President shall have the following duties:

To serve as a resource person to the Executive Committee.

To assist with the overall administration of the Association.

3. Vice-President - The Vice-President shall have the following duties:

To attend General and Executive Meetings of the Association and assume the responsibilities of the President when that officer is unable to act or is not present.

To assist with the overall administration of the Association.

To cooperate with the Commissioners in providing the media with details of upcoming competitions and results of these competitions.

To be the official custodian, in co-operation with the appropriate commissioners, of all trophies and records of the NEASAA.

To act as a delegate at ASAA General Meetings whenever possible.

4. Secretary - The Secretary shall have the following duties:

To serve as recording secretary for all executive and general meetings.

To send copies of the minutes of all general meetings to member schools within two weeks of the meeting.

To ensure that all member schools can obtain a constitution of this Association when requested.

To prepare and distribute an accurate directory of the NEASAA in the fall of each year.

To co-ordinate ASAA sanction procedures as they relate to the NEASAA member schools.

To co-ordinate registration procedures for all competitions at the Zone or Provincial level.

To co-ordinate annual ASAA school registrations.

5. Treasurer - The Treasurer shall have the following duties:

To have charge of all finances of the NEASAA.

To present a full and detailed account of receipts and disbursements to the Executive Committee whenever requested and when requested to prepare a duly audited statement for submission to the first general meeting of the year.

To order ASAA medallions, rule books banners and other supplies for the NEASSA schools as required. All supplies must be purchased by the schools; NEASSA no longer provides any free supplies.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

1. Candidates for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be nominated from the floor at the Spring General Meeting and shall be voted upon at the meeting.
2. Only members of the Board of Governors in attendance shall be entitled to vote.
3. The President shall appoint two election clerks who shall receive and count the ballots. The president shall act as judge of the election.
4. The newly elected Executive Committee members shall assume office September 1.

ARTICLE VIII - VOTING

1. Voting privileges shall consist of one vote for each of the accredited members of the Board as are present in person.
2. A quorum will consist of two Executive Officers and at least one voting member from a majority of NEASAA schools.
3. The business of the NEASAA shall be transacted by show of hands, and upon the request of two member schools a vote, by secret ballot, shall be taken on any matter coming before the NEASAA.
4. At times other than a General Meeting, an email vote may be taken on matters of general administration. Ballots must be kept until the following General Meeting.
5. All voting members of NEASAA should be certified teachers employed by representative school districts.

ARTICLE IX - AUDITING

1. All books and vouchers must be submitted to an auditor appointed by the Executive or two members of the Board not serving on the Executive Committee appointed by the Executive, who shall prepare an audited financial statement to be presented at the Fall Meeting annually.
2. The books and records of the Association may be inspected by any member of the Association at any time giving reasonable notice and arranging a time satisfactory to the Treasurer.

ARTICLE X - MEETINGS

The NEASAA shall hold a minimum of two general meetings within the school year, to be scheduled on or about each of the following days:

- A. First Monday of October
 - B. The Monday prior to the Annual Spring Meeting of the ASAA.
2. NEASAA meetings will begin no later than 10 AM on the day they are set.
3. The Order of Business at General Meetings shall be:
- A. Reading of Minutes
 - B. Business arising out of Minutes
 - C. Reading of Communications
 - D. Financial Report
 - E. Notices of Motion
 - F. Reports on Committees
 - G. Unfinished Business
 - H. New Business
 - I. Discussion of Topics
 - J. Election of Officers (Spring Meeting)
 - K. Other Business
 - L. Adjournment
4. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, shall govern the proceedings at general meetings unless the rules contradict the By-laws and Policies of this Association or Statutes of Alberta.
5. The Executive Committee shall provide two weeks' notice in advance of the annual general meetings of the society.
6. A quorum of 50% of all members is required for all meetings.
7. All members shall receive two weeks' notice by email in advance of any special meeting of the membership of the Association.

ARTICLE XI – CORPORATE SEAL

1. The Association shall have a seal showing its full legal name, which shall be affixed to contracts, documents and written instruments binding the Association.
2. The seal of the Association shall be kept in the care of such director/officer as determined by the Board.
3. The seal of the Association shall be affixed by any acting director or officer of the Association.

ARTICLE XII - BORROWING POWERS

1. For the purpose of carrying out its objectives, the Association may borrow or raise or secure payments of money as is deemed necessary.
2. Any borrowing shall require approval by special resolution of not less than 75% of the members present at a general meeting.

ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

1. Amendments to these By-laws may be made by a 75% majority vote of the Board in attendance at a duly constituted meeting.
2. Notice of motion to amend the By-laws must be sent to the President at least one month in advance of the date of the general meeting, when these amendments will be considered. The President must advise all member schools at least two weeks before the meeting of any proposed amendment.
3. Notice of motion to amend the By-laws must be waived where such an amendment is clearly of housekeeping nature and does not change the intent of the By-laws.
4. All Notices of Motion to amend the By-laws of the Association must make reference to a specific Article or Section within the By-laws.

ARTICLE XIV - ACTIVITIES

1. All athletic activities over which the NEASAA assumes control shall be governed by the policies as established by the Association.
2. Each athletic activity should be organized and administered by a commissioner recommended by the Executive, subject to approval by the Board.
3. Officials for all zone competitions shall be assigned by the Commissioner of that activity or his/her designate. Every effort shall be made not to use officials who reside in the host community.
4. Sanctions are to be applied to a school's sports team that is eligible and committed but does not appear at a zone competition or withdraws during a competition. The sanction will be equal to the registration fee.

ARTICLE XV - FINANCES

1. In addition to annual membership fees paid to the ASAA, member schools shall pay an annual fee to the NEASAA. These fees shall be used specifically for the achievement of the overall objectives of the NEASAA.
2. Membership fees shall be paid annually to the Treasurer of the NEASAA no later than the date of the Fall General Meeting of the Association. Annual fees for each school year shall be progressive according to the ASAA classifications.
3. Annual zone fees will be determined by the Executive Committee.
4. Assessments in addition to the annual membership fees may be made upon ratification of a majority of schools at any legally called meeting.
5. An entry fee for spectators may be levied for all zone play-offs. Entry fees to all zone playoffs shall be paid to the tournament chairman before the completion of the competition. If a school does not pay the required fees before the end of the competition a fine equaling the entry fee shall be levied against the school. Cheques should be made payable to the NEASAA.
6. A complete financial statement for all competitions must be submitted to the NEASAA Treasurer by the tournament chairman within 14 days of the completion of the competition.
7. The zone will not pay expenses for any school team representing it in a provincial competition.
8. The NEASAA shall pay for the operating expenses of the Executive Committee.
9. The NEASAA shall pay expenses of delegates to semi-annual ASAA meetings, other than that covered by the ASAA.
10. All teams or athletes registered in a Zone Competition are still responsible to pay the entry fee.
11. The zone will not pay for the cost of custodians, zone apparel, hospitality room food, or standard equipment to operate a zone competition, etc. Zone hosts must ask for clarification if they are unsure about which expenses are covered by the zone.

ARTICLE XVI - ETHICS COMMITTEE

1. The NEASAA Ethics Committee shall be the NEASAA Executive Committee.
2. Any school or institution hosting tournaments or competitions where NEASAA teams are represented may refer a matter regarding ethics to the NEASAA Ethics Committee.
3. Competitors, coaches and teams guilty of misconduct shall be dealt with immediately by the sports commissioner, tournament chairman or district executive having direct responsibility for the competition.
4. The sports commissioner, tournament chairman or district executive having direct responsibility for a competition shall have the power to suspend a player, coach or team guilty of misconduct pending action of the NEASAA Ethics Committee.
5. Discipline matters which cannot be dealt with to the satisfaction of all parties directly involved shall be referred to the NEASAA Ethics Committee.
6. The NEASAA Ethics Committee, in dealing with an ethics matter shall hear representation from the schools, coaches, officials, and commissioner involved. The Ethics Committee shall have the power to suspend and/or sanction a player, coach or team from participating in further competitions.

NORTH EAST ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Executive Signatures

President: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Vice - President: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Secretary: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Treasurer: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

WITNESS: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Article XVII – Web Master

1. The NEASAA body will have a web page that will be run by a person of a member school.
2. The NEASAA web master will be in charge of providing up to date information provided to them by the executive members.

NORTH EAST
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ATHLETIC
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POLICY MANUAL

AMENDED: May, 2023

POLICY FOR THE NORTH EAST ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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SECTION 1 - OBJECTIVES

1. To foster, facilitate and direct activities of the NEASAA in such a manner that the Alberta Education, Ministry of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women, Alberta School Boards and concerned university faculties regard these activities as educational and recreational endeavors, beneficial to high school youth and worth of active encouragement and/or support.
2. To maintain good sportsmanship, integrity and good will within and between high schools participating in inter-school athletics.
3. To plan athletic activities in such a way as to cause no great interference with school attendance.
4. To promote among students an awareness that:
 - A. The primary aim of school is education.
 - B. Athletics provide significant physical, social, cultural and emotional values.
5. To establish and maintain acceptable standards of:
 - A. Coaching practices.
 - B. Travelling of teams and spectators.
 - C. Conduct of teams and spectators.
6. To serve as a liaison for distributing information to Junior High School Associations, either directly or with the cooperation of neighboring member high schools.

SECTION II - CODE OF ETHICS

Adults who work with students in interscholastic activities should present a positive role model for them to emulate. Students who represent a school in interscholastic activities must be creditable school citizens.

The Association recognizes that the school administration is responsible for all athletic programs and conduct of all school representatives, whatever the level and location of the competition. In recognition of this authority and responsibility the Association presents the following general guidelines.

1. All competitions must be conducted with a high standard of courtesy, fair play and sportsmanship. All those involved share a responsibility.
 - A. Coaches. The coaches must demonstrate qualities of courtesy and good sportsmanship. These are evidenced by proper acceptance of officials' judgment, positive encouragement of player performance and bench behavior.
 - B. Athletes. Athletes must demonstrate qualities of courtesy and good sportsmanship by proper acceptance of officials' judgment, and by showing proper respect for opposing athletes as well as for team mates.
 - C. Cheerleaders. Cheerleaders must demonstrate courtesy and good sportsmanship by the appropriateness and timeliness of the cheers they lead, respect for the other cheerleaders and athletes, and their attempts at effective crowd control.
 - D. Spectators. The spectators, both student and adult, demonstrate courtesy and good sportsmanship by positive cheers of encouragement for their team, not against their opponents. This is evidenced by the absence of booing and vulgarities. Spectators must also show proper acceptance of officials' judgment. Artificial noisemakers are not permitted during zone/provincial championships events including: Badminton, basketball, curling, cheerleading, golf, team handball, track & field, volleyball and wrestling. With the exception of air horns and electronic megaphones, noisemakers are permitted at cross country, football, and rugby. Prohibited noisemakers may include but are not limited to: air horns, cow bells, plastic tube horns, garbage can lids, etc. The zone host

shall have the authority to eject from the competition facility individuals who, following a warning, refuse to comply with this requirement.

2. All players, coaches, supervisors and officials must avoid the use of alcohol and drugs while involved with athletic competitions.
3. A. Every school team must be coached or supervised by a staff member of that school jurisdiction.
B. During competition every school team must be accompanied by a teacher-coach or teacher- supervisor.
C. Participants travelling who require overnight accommodation must be supervised by a chaperon of the same sex approved by the school jurisdiction.
4. Administrators, teachers-coaches and advisors must assume responsibility for the implementation of this code. School administrators must be advised of breaches of desirable practices on the part of students or coaches. Tournament chairmen should alert the Association Executive to discipline problems associated with the conduct of zone competitions.
5. Good sportsmanship cannot be legislated; it must be a goal towards which the Association and its members strive.

SECTION III - GENERAL

A. Activities

1. All athletic activities sponsored by the NEASAA shall be conducted according to existing NEASAA By-laws and Policy.
2. Each Zone Competition shall be organized and administered by a committee approved by the Association Board of Governors.
3. Each activity shall be governed by a code of rules as stated in the policy for that activity unless otherwise ruled by the Board of Governors.

B. Sanctions

1. Any NEASAA school wishing to host a competition with representatives from outside the Province of Alberta must receive sanction for the competition from the ASAA Executive Director.
2. Any NEASAA school wishing to participate in provincial, interprovincial or international competitions, meets, leagues or events sponsored by non-ASAA organizations and involving three or more institutions or teams must receive sanction from the ASAA.

C. Sports Commissioners

1. The conditions of appointment of Sports Commissioners shall be as follows:
 - A. Appointments to the roster of sports commissioners shall be ratified by the Board of Governors.
 - B. They shall be appointed from among the persons eligible to serve on the Board of Governors.
 - C. Commissioners shall serve for a period of a minimum of two years.
 - D. A vacancy occurring during a term of office shall be filled by an interim appointment by the executive, such appointment to be ratified by the Board of Governors at their next general meeting.
 - E. Jurisdiction and expenses of Commissioners shall be subject to the approval of the executive.

2. The duties and responsibilities of Commissioners shall include the following:

A. Co-ordination of zone competition.

B. Being familiar with new developments in rules, equipment, coaching, techniques, etc.

C. Distributing information such as noted in B.

D. Presenting recommendations to provincial tournament chairmen, the NEASAA executive, zone executive and member schools.

E. Act as consultant to meetings and committee conducted by groups noted in D.

F. Motivating the furthering of their sports through the use of bulletins, talks, and other forms of publicity and promotion.

G. Effecting liaison with provincial sports governing bodies, the NEASAA executive, the Canadian School Sports Federation sports commissioners, the universities and other agencies.

H. Attending zone tournaments, where possible.

I. Sports commissioners shall approve of zone playoff draws, select ranking coordinators for all volleyball and basketball classifications, co-ordinate with Officials' Chairperson and their duties and assist in NEASAA sports specific rulings.

SECTION IV - ELIGIBILITY

Refer to ASAA Policy Handbook SECTION IV – ELIGIBILITY

SECTION V - SEASONS OF PLAY

Refer to ASAA Policy Handbook: SEASON OF PLAY

SECTION VI - TEAM COMPETITION AND PLAYER PARTICIPATION

1. A. "To be eligible for school zone basketball competition, a high school student is not permitted to play on an outside basketball team during the same season".

B. "To be eligible for school zone volleyball competition, a high school student is not permitted to play on an outside volleyball team during the same season".

C. Exemptions to sub sections A and B may be considered for students who have been invited to participate on provincial/national/international teams by the recognized Sport's Governing Body. Written requests for specific exemptions must be submitted by the school concerned to the President for consideration of the Eligibility Committee.

2. Competitors, coaches and teams guilty of misconduct either before, during or after a competition must be reported to the zone Executive and Commissioner in charge of that section of the sport. Misconduct includes the consumption of alcohol and non-medical use of drugs.

3. The chairman of the Tournament Committee shall have the power to suspend a player guilty of misconduct pending action of the Board of Governors.

4. All participants must be bona fide students of the school they represent and in the team activities of basketball, curling, volleyball, cheerleading and golf, all members of a team must be bona fide students of the same school.

5. In zone competition a school may elect to enter a team in a given activity in the classification above its school classification while still retaining its right to enter teams in other activities in the proper classification of the school.
6. Any school electing to enter a team in the activities of volleyball and basketball in a classification above its school classification must so declare by the ASAA determined deadline. Otherwise, a school's classification for competition in these activities shall be in accordance with Policy, Section II, 1A.
7. Composite district teams in individual and dual sports shall appoint team supervisors from staff of district member schools. Teachers of both sexes should accompany co-educational teams.
8. Provincial Executive permission must be obtained prior to school volleyball and/or basketball teams participating in non-school leagues.
9. A letter of concern will be sent to teams who withdraw from competition during zone play-offs.
10. If you enter zone competition, you are expected to play all games. In each case where teams fail to do this, the case will be brought to the zone meeting and be dealt with using the possibility of sanctions.
11. Please ensure if an athlete cannot attend a provincial competition, that notice is given to the provincial director and zone director in order to fill the team. Remember, the zone is charged the registration fee for "no shows".
12. At the conclusion of a competition, a written list of competitors who will be going to provincials must be submitted to the director.

SECTION VII - REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

Refer to ASAA Policy Handbook SECTION V – ACTIVITIES D. Athlete Registration for registration deadlines.

SECTION VIII - FINANCES

1. Please refer to Article XV of the By-laws of the Association.
2. Honorariums will be paid as follows;
 President - \$500, Vice President - \$500, Secretary - \$500, Treasurer - \$500, Web Master - \$500
3. All executive members receive a \$0.50/km honorarium when travelling to executive meetings.

SECTION IX - AWARDS

1. Medals

The following individual and team awards will be presented to zone winners (when applicable):

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| A. Golf | A/2A Team Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
A/2A Ind. Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
(10 gold, 10 silver, 10 bronze)
3A/4A Team Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
3A/4A Ind. Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
(10 gold, 10 silver, 10 bronze) |
| B. Cross Country | Event winners receive Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals (6 gold, 6 silver, 6 bronze) |
| C. Volleyball | A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze
(15 gold, 15 silver, 15 bronze) |

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| D. Curling | Boys Team Event Winners – Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals
Girls Team Event Winners – Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals
Mixed Team Event Winners – Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals
(16 gold, 15 silver, 15 bronze) |
| E. Basketball | A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze
(15 gold, 15 silver, 15 bronze) |
| F. Badminton | Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
(24 gold, 24 silver, 24 bronze) |
| G. Cheerleading | Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals |
| H. Track and Field | Event Winners - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
(Approximately 140 gold, 140 silver, 140 bronze) |
| I. Team Handball | Tier 1 Winners – Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
Tier 2 Winners – Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals
(40 gold, 40 silver, 40 bronze) |
| J. Rugby | |

Coaches of team events shall receive medals, if their team wins the zone championship.

2. Pennants

Pennants shall be awarded to the winning schools at the zone championships for (when applicable):

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| A. Golf | A/2A Girls Team Champions
A/2A Boys Team Champions
3A/4A Girls Team Champions
3A/4A Boys Team Champions |
| B. Cross Country | A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions |
| C. Volleyball | Boys A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions
Girls A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions |
| D. Curling | Boys, Girls and Mixed Team Champions |
| E. Basketball | Boys A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions
Girls A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions |
| F. Badminton | A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions |
| G. Cheerleading | Division 1, Division 2, and Co-ed Champions |
| H. Track and Field | A, 2A, 3A, 4A Team Champions |
| I. Team Handball | Tier 1 and Tier 2 Champions |
| J. Rugby | |

3. The ordering of medals and banners will be the responsibility of the Zone Treasurer.

SECTION X - COMPETITION DATES

Please refer to Article XIV of the By-laws of the Association.

SECTION XI - PLAYING EQUIPMENT

An effort shall be made by Zone Tournament Hosts to use equipment specified by the ASAA. If any different equipment is to be used, all participating schools shall be notified one month previous to the competition.

SECTION XII - CHEERLEADING

1. Cheerleaders from participating schools may accompany teams to zone competitions at the invitation of the competition chairman.
2. All cheerleaders should be previously registered with the competition chairman and must be accompanied by a separate adult supervisor or supervisors of the appropriate sex.
3. The competition chairman has the right to draw up a set of regulations regarding the activities of cheerleaders during the course of the meet.
4. The primary function of the cheerleaders is crowd leadership and encouragement of the players. All competitions should, therefore, be based on these factors.

SECTION XIII - AMENDMENTS

1. All items under Policy may be amended by a majority vote of the zone Board of Governors providing the amendments have been circulated to member schools as notices-of-motion at least two weeks prior to the General Meeting. This may be done in the form of mail vote and if done by mail, the ballots must be kept until the next general meeting.

Notice of motion to amend Policy may be waived where such amendment is clearly of housekeeping nature and does not change the intent of the policy.

SECTION XIV - BADMINTON

1. The rules governing badminton shall be the laws of badminton as adopted by the International Badminton Federation and the Canadian Badminton Association with the appropriate ASAA Modifications.
2. The NEASAA Badminton Championship will be held during the two weeks prior to the ASAA Championship, but not held on the Provincial Handball Weekend.
3. Member districts must submit the NEASAA Badminton Registration form to the Commissioner and Zone Event Coordinator on or before 3:00p.m. on the registration deadline or that district will not be eligible for competition. District entries are to be typed, not hand written. A fine of \$100 may be levied to the District/School not complying with this procedure.
4. Member districts which have teams or participants withdraw after the registration deadline must replace the team or participant with a player/players from their district who meet all the eligibility requirements in that category. If a district cannot fill the position, that offending school will be fined \$100 (payable to NEASAA) for each team/player cancellation. The Zone Event Coordinator must be made aware of any changes as soon as possible.
5. Each district can enter two participants in boy's singles, two participants in girl's singles, two teams in boy's doubles, two teams in girl's doubles, and two teams in mixed doubles, per age category. A total of 48 competitors.
6. A participant can enter one event.

7. Districts who have two competitors in any singles category should rank their players according to ability with player 1 being at the highest level.
8. All competitors will be categorized as:
 - Junior - Under 16 as of September 1 that school year
 - Intermediate - Under 17 as of September 1 that school year
 - Senior - Under 19 as of September 1 of that school year.
9. An athlete may opt to play at an older age level but may play in only one event.
10. The NEASAA badminton competition will be a round-robin, best of 3 play. Each set to 21, Win by 2 if tied at 20-all or higher, Cap at 30 (the set can end at 30-29).
11. Singles and Doubles competition will be in two pools per age category, 5 teams in each pool.
 - A. The top three players/teams will advance to the semi-finals.
 - B. Playoff format:
 - 1st of A gets a bye to the semifinals, playing the winner of 2nd B vs 3rd A.
 - 1st of B gets a bye to the semifinals, playing the winner of 2nd A vs 3rd B.
 - The winners of semifinals play in the finals for Gold and Silver.
 - The losing players/TEAMS play for Bronze medal.
 - C. If one team/player scratches or no shows, then the pool will have 4 teams/players. If a pool decreases to 3 teams, then Pool A and Pool B will be rearranged to two pools of 4.
12. Tie Breaking Procedures
 - A. No team/player will be eliminated from play-offs via a tie. This procedure is used to determine seeding only. Once seeding is established, a single game to 21 must be played in order to eliminate a team/player from competition.
 - B. All two way ties in the round robin will be determined by the result of the match between the two tied teams/players.
 - C. In a three way tie, the teams will be ranked 1, 2 and 3 based firstly on games won minus games lost and secondly on points won minus points lost. Multiple elimination games may be required to finalize playoff seeding.
13. In the event of a competitor or team not being able to advance to the ASAA Championship, to opportunity will be offered to the next placed competitor or team.
14. In badminton, there will be a bronze medallion competition in all categories.
15. The host district may fill any vacancy that arises should a district not field a complete team.
16. A NEASAA dress code will be in effect for zone badminton tournaments.
 - A. Athletes must compete in a uniform that distinguishes their School or District. Uniforms contrary to this rule will be considered illegal (including Brand sponsors ie: Black Knight, Yonex, Li Ning). When playing doubles, the uniforms shall match. Clothing with offensive language or symbols will not be allowed. Shorts should be worn during play. No hats or dew rags shall be worn during competition or warm-up. The venue coordinator will instruct player(s) to change if not in compliance with the dress code. (As per ASAA Handbook).
 - B. No sweat pants will be allowed to be worn during play. (Participants may warm up with them on, but once play begins, sweats or warm-up suits must be removed.)

Shorts and tops must be of the basic white format with no more than two other colors. Multi-colored shirts or shorts will not be permitted. Shorts of a dark or single color will be permitted. **DOUBLES TEAMS MUST HAVE MATCHING COLOUR SHIRTS.**

C. Players not in alignment with the NEASSA Badminton Dress Code will be asked to change into the proper colour clothing (either white/black shirt or school shirt, and a dark or single colour short). If the Player(s) cannot meet this guideline, the player(s) can purchase a white or black shirt or black short from the NEASSA designate host (for a minimal cost as decided by the NEASSA to continue play). IF the player(s) refuse this alternative, then they will be withdrawn from the Zone competition due to violation of this policy.

17. Banners

A. The winning school in each A, 2A, 3A, 4A classification shall be the school with the greatest number of points awarded on the basis on one (1) point per match win. This includes all match wins in qualifying rounds, round robins and playoffs.

B. In the event of a tie between two or more schools, the winning school will be determined firstly by total matches won minus matches lost and secondly by total games won minus total games lost. If the tie remains it will stand.

18. District scratches – fine \$100. Districts will be fined \$100 for players/teams scratched on the day of the Zone competition. Host Districts may try to fill the spot to keep the pools even with 5 teams each.

19. Coaching:

Coaching is allowed after first set (1 min) and after second set (2 min), but No coaching at the 11th point interval in the 3rd set (or any set).... However, players are allowed a 1 min interval during each set once one side reaches 11, but players must remain at the court and no coaching allowed (the intention is to have a quick water, wipe forehead and maybe wipe racquet grip and back to the game.)

SECTION XV - BASKETBALL

1. Rules

A. The rules governing basketball shall be the men's rules adopted by F.I.B.A. with modifications from the ASAA.

B. In NEASAA girls competitions the Size 6 ball (28" circumference) shall be used.

2. Rankings

Rankings should be sent to the ranking officer who has been selected at spring/fall Meeting by association members. Ranking for all zone basketball championships shall be established by the respective ranking officers using the following guidelines, not the Basketball Commissioner unless on appeal:

A. The Ranking Officer will make preliminary contact with each school at the start of the season.

B. It will be the responsibility of the school to submit their results on a regular basis in the ASAA SRS (formerly Exnet.)

C. The Ranking Officer will compile results and submit his/her rankings to the Basketball Commissioner on the following schedule:

I) the Wednesday of the second week of January.

II) the Wednesday of second week of February.

III) the Wednesday of the week prior to the Zone Championships.

D. Protests

Protesting the final rankings must be made by 4:00pm the Friday of the week the final rankings are released. A complete list of results must accompany the schools protest and all games must be entered into ASAA SRS in order to be considered valid. The final decision will be rendered by the Basketball Commissioner after talks with appropriate Ranking Officer and Executive committee. A written decision with rationale will be given to the appealing member school by noon **Monday of the Zone Championship** and copies given to the Executive Committee and host school only if changes must occur to the zone draw.

The following information will be utilized to formulate a valid and accurate picture of strength, to ensure a fair and transparent assessment for all teams when ranking our zone tournaments.

In order:

1. Head to Head versus Zone Teams (Same Tier)

2. Common Opponents (zone teams, provincially ranked, Point differential will be considered in games less than 10 points versus blowouts greater than 20)

3. Key wins/Key losses (zone, ranked, unranked)

4. ASAA Provincial Basketball Rankings

5. Strength of Schedule (playing ranked teams or above, or at or above tier, playing ranked lower tier, playing games versus 4a, 3a, 2a, above one's tier that aren't ranked)

6. Body of Work (Overall whom you have played, ie. Higher or lower tier, ranked and unranked)

7. Overall Record (Overall wins/losses)

Although every effort needs to be used to ensure validity and transparency within the rankings, it is imperative for members to understand this is a zone ranking, not a provincial ranking/seeding for the Northeast Zone tournament. **Wins and losses versus zone teams will weigh heavily on the final evaluation process as they are the ones whom are directly effected within the tournament parameters.**

E. Any school that does not *consistently* submit results in ASAA SRS will not be ranked. A minimum of **10 games** versus various teams is expected to gain an accurate account of one's season strength.

3. Zone Qualification for Entry into Zone Tournament

NEASAA member Schools **must** compete in a minimum of 10 games versus High School and JV competitors with scores entered in ASAA SRS by the Final Ranking period in order to be permitted to compete in the NEASAA Basketball Zone Championship. Schools not having a minimum of 10 games in ASAA SRS by the final ranking **will be voided entry** into the Zone championship and host notified of the voided team. **“NO games will be added or taken into account following the last ranking period deadline to make your 10 game minimum.”**

4. Officials

A. The Alberta Basketball Officials Association is recognized to provide officials for zone competitions.

B. Arrangements for officials at all provincial competitions shall be made by the NEASAA Basketball Commissioners and the A.B.O.A.

C. All nominated officials should be current members of the ABOA and have achieved provincial standards on the current ABOA written exam.

5. All teams shall have a minimum of **two hours rest between games** at zone tournaments unless unanimous agreement of all coaches to waive such rest period is reached. Each teams at zones get a **minimum** of 10 minute warm-up and a 10 minute half time.

6. 2A and 3A schools will be on a rotational schedule.

7. 1A and 2A Zone competition in basketball are open.

8. Any team wanting to compete in a Zone tournament must be willing to move onto competing at the Provincial Championships if attending the Zone tournament. If a team is unwilling to travel to Provincials then they should not be participating in the Zone event.

Cancellations:

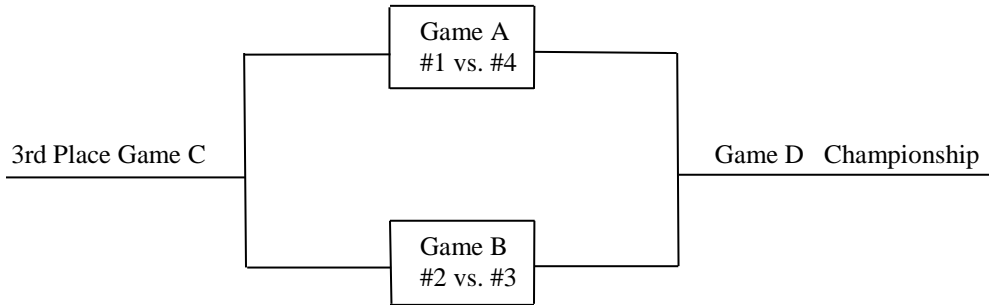
1. Basketball Zone Tournament fees should accompany a team's ASAA registration. **A deadline of March 1st will be set for teams to notify the zone secretary and Basketball Commissioner of cancellation.** Teams canceling prior to the deadline, will have their Zone Tournament fees refunded. Teams missing the deadline will not receive a refund.

2. Teams wishing to default any of their scheduled games **must** do so through the tournament coordinator.

Zone Games/Draws:

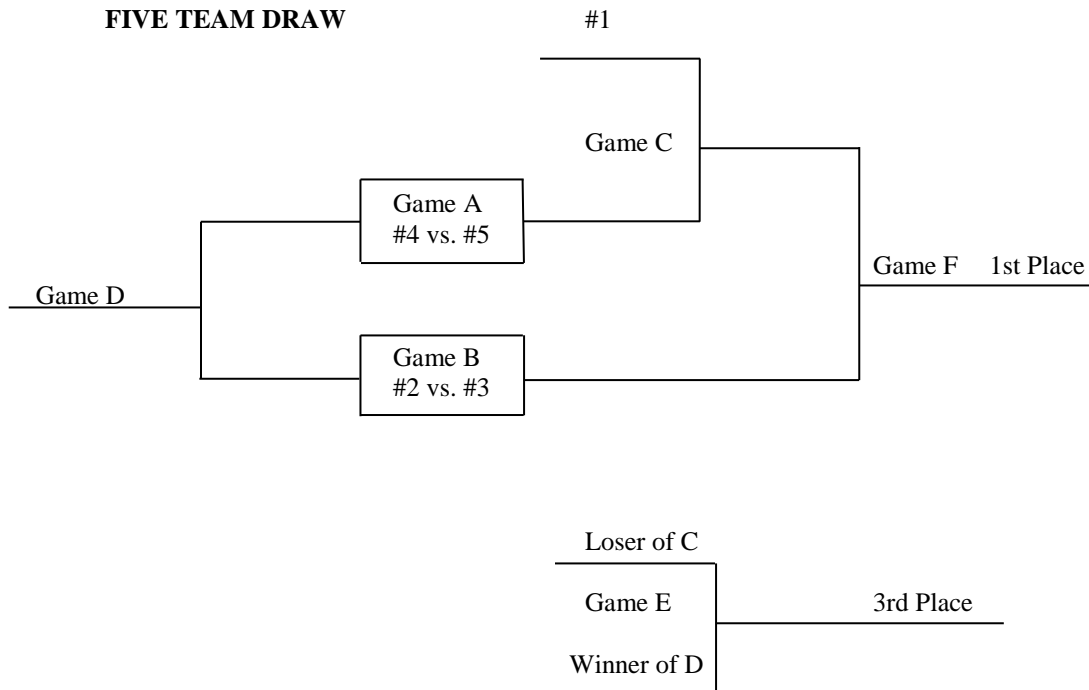
1. The Zone Basketball Commissioner or an assignor selected by the commissioner shall arrange for Officials at all zone basketball championships.
2. The following are the approved draws for all zone basketball playoffs.

FOUR TEAM DRAW



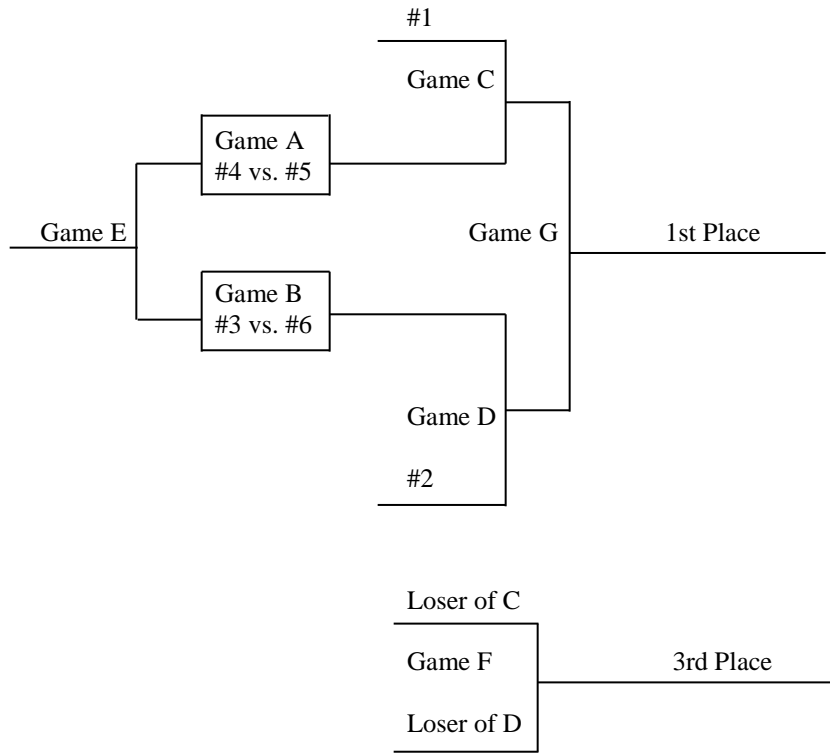
At least 2 hours between Games A & B and Games C & D.

FIVE TEAM DRAW



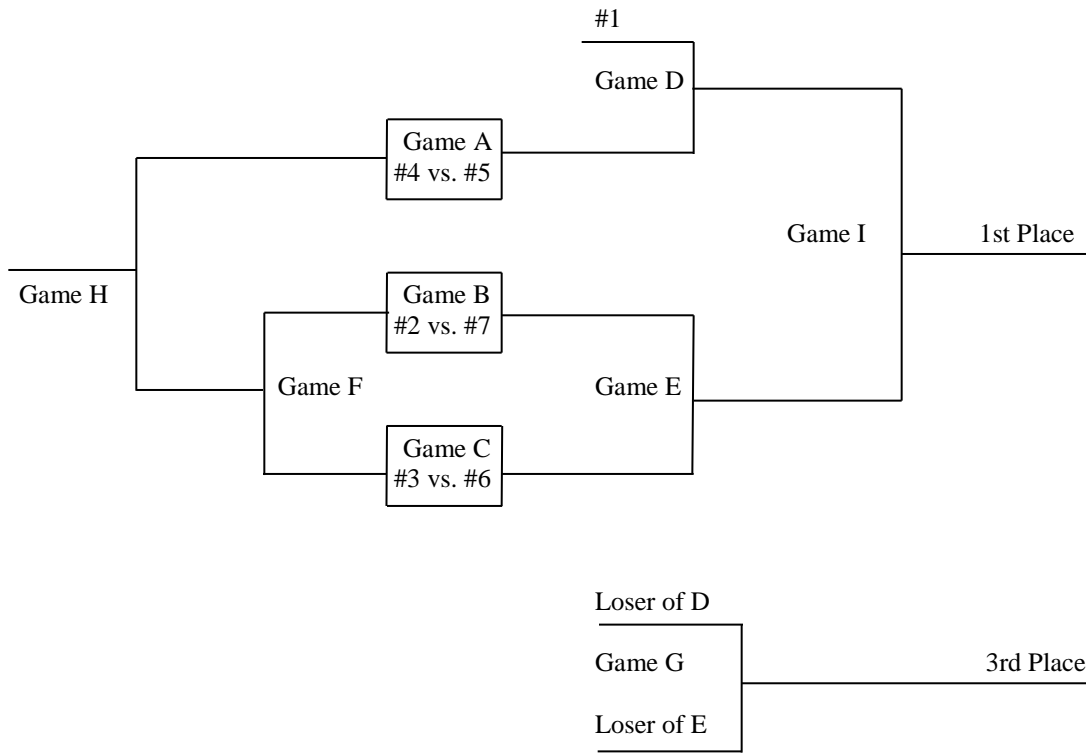
Games A and B are played on Friday.

SIX TEAM DRAW



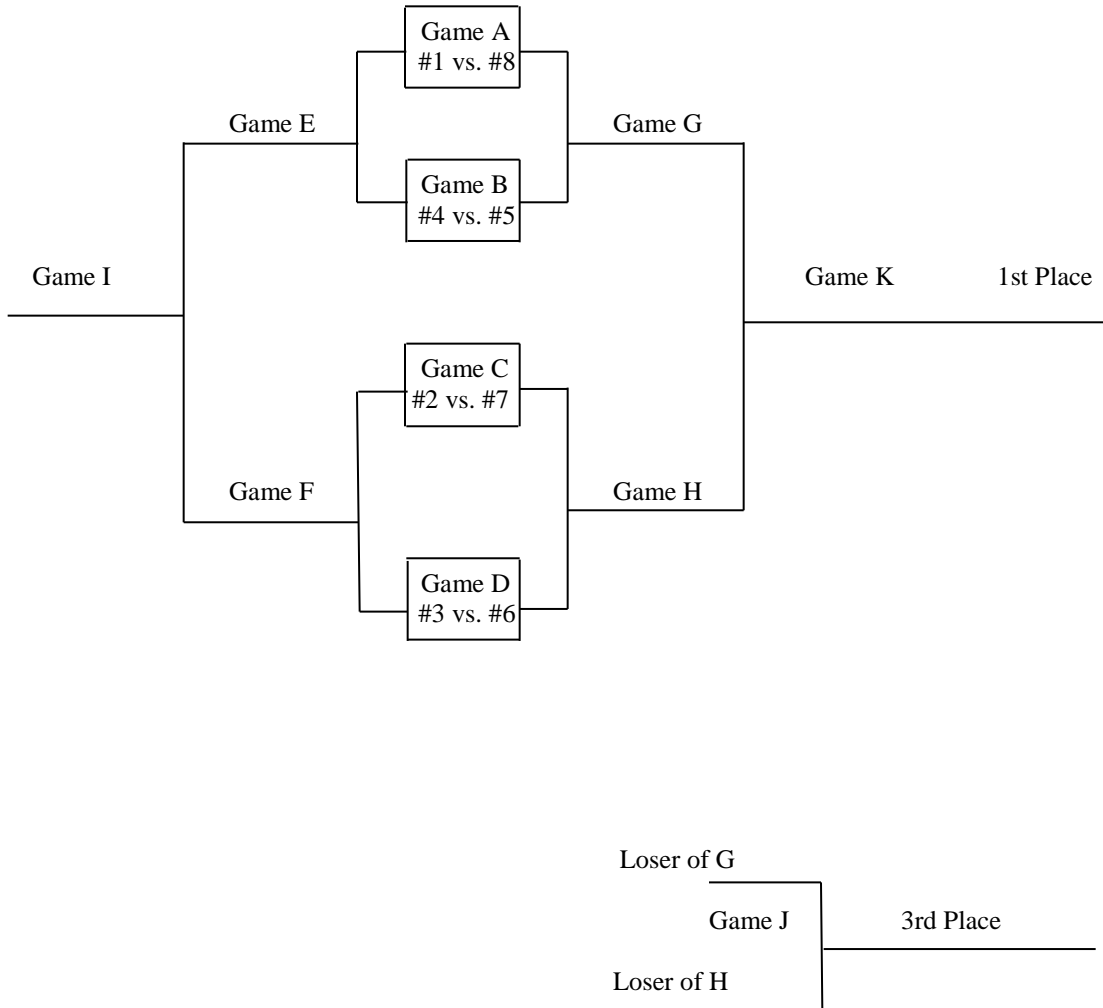
Games A and B are played on Friday.

SEVEN TEAM DRAW



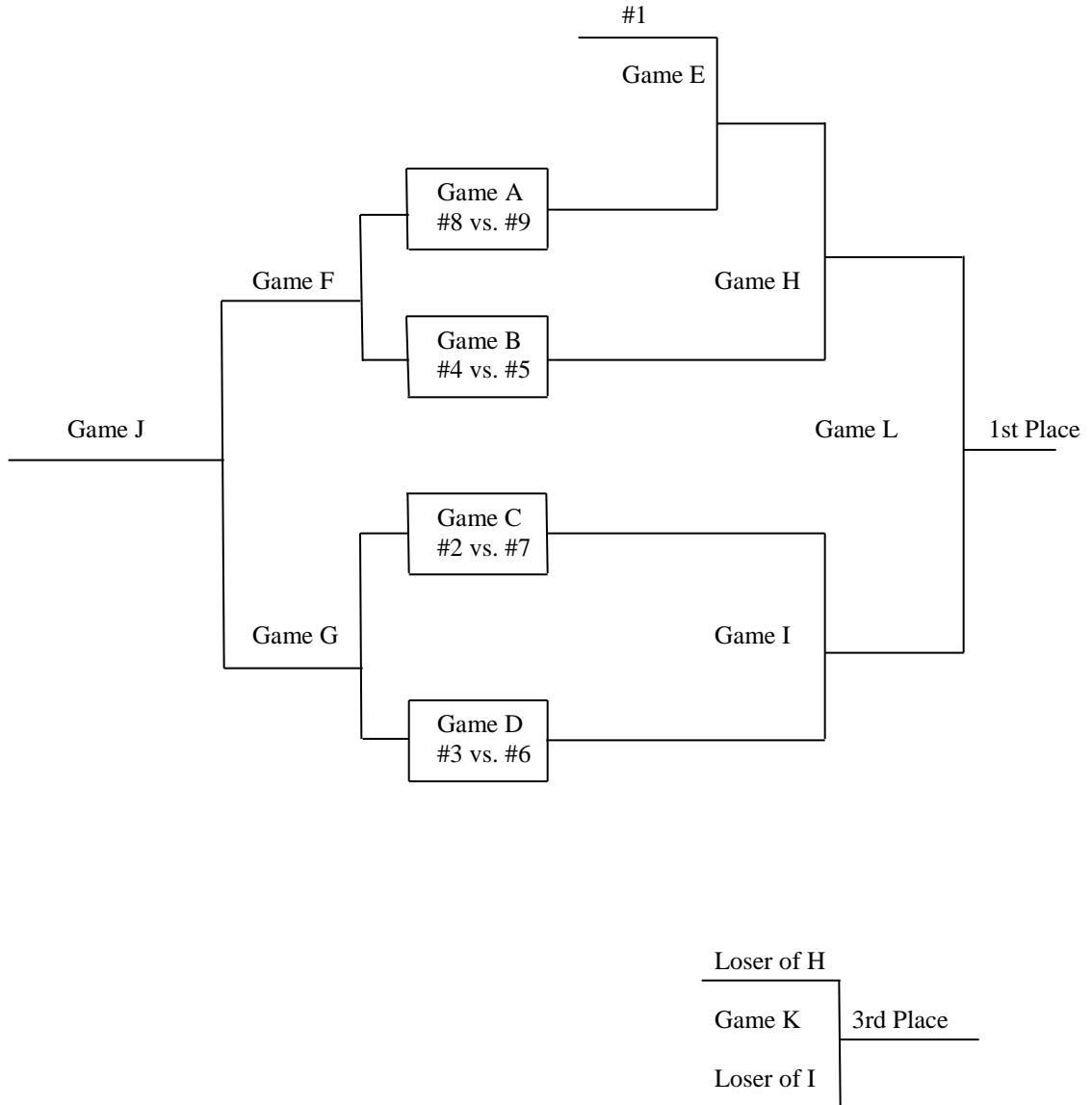
Games A, B and C are played on Friday.

EIGHT TEAM DRAW



Games A, B, C and D are played on Friday.

NINE TEAM DRAW



**Top seed is not guaranteed two games.

**Only 8 teams will attend the zone competition.

Game A, the 8th and 9th ranked teams, must playoff the week prior to zones. The winner of this game will advance to the zone basketball championship.

Games B, C, D and E are played on Friday.

SECTION XVI - CHEERLEADING

Please refer to Section XV of the ASAA Handbook.

SECTION XVII - CURLING

1. All members of a rink must meet NEASAA eligibility and registration regulations.
2. A high school student is eligible to play on one representative school team only.
3. Each rink will consist of five (5) students (boys and girls) and six (6) students in mixed curling.
4. Teams
 - a) A team may play with three (3) players with the first two (2) players each delivering three (3) consecutive stones at each end. Under no circumstance may a team play with fewer than three (3) players delivering stones. If a team plays with three players in the mixed division, the alternate order of delivery must be maintained (M, F, M – or – F, M, F). If this occurs while a game is in progress, the delivery rotation can be changed to meet this criterion.
 - b) Substitutions may be made during or between games by using the non-playing team member(s) for any team positions (in mixed play, a boy can only be substituted for a boy, and a girl for a girl, following 3.B. above). In mixed play, if a substitute of the correct gender is not available then the team will continue the game with three players in their existing order, throwing 3, 3, and 2 stones. All team members must meet ASAA eligibility requirements and cannot be members of other school representative curling teams as established at the qualifying events for provincials (see 3 above). All teams must continue throughout the competition with the listed team members as constituted in the first post-district game of the competition.
5. All games will be eight ends duration. If tied at the completion of the 8 ends, an extra end or ends shall be played.
6. The rules governing curling shall be the rules of the Canadian Curling Association. A five (5) minute time out (maximum) will be permitted upon completion of the fourth (4th) end.
7. Competition in each event shall be two section round robins. At the completion of the round robin, the first place team from each pool will play the second place team from the opposite pool. The winners play to determine the gold and silver medal winners, and the losing teams play to determine the bronze medal winner.
8. Competition will be held approximately two weeks prior to the ASAA Provincial Championship.

The eight representatives at zones will be determined by the following:

- a) Each District (1 – 5) will have one automatic qualifier for zones, this qualifier could be determined at a District championship.
 - b) The school hosting zones will receive an automatic berth into zones for their district.
 - c) There will be two wildcard qualifiers to make eight in total advancing to zones (5 Districts, 1 host and 2 wildcards.) The two wildcard qualifiers will be determined by the number of teams registered to the Zone Curling Commissioner by the curling registration date set by the Zone Commissioner for Boys, Girls and Mixed categories.
9. Schools will need to fax or email their registration to the NEASAA Curling commissioner for their curling teams by the ASAA deadline. The district with the most registrations for that category will receive the first wildcard

berth, unless they are hosting zones. The district with the second most registrations for that category, in excess of the zone berths they have received, will receive the second wildcard berth. If a district does not have a curling team for one or any categories, then the third district with the most registrations in excess of the zone berths they have received will receive the next wild card berth. The host district is eligible for the third and subsequent wildcard berths. If districts are equally eligible for the third and subsequent wildcards, a random draw will be made to determine which district will receive the berth.

10. When creating the pools for zones, every effort will be made to avoid a district birth team and a district wildcard team in the same pool at the zone competition.
11. The zone curling format will follow the identical process as the ASAA provincial play-offs.
12. NEASAA gold medallions, and the right to advance to provincial competition goes to the winners.
13. A curling commissioner will be responsible for the administration of the Bonspiel in cooperation with the competition coordinator.
14. The NEASAA shall use the following format for curling competitions:
 - A. The Zone host of curling will get an automatic bye into the competition.
 - B. There **will** be a Bronze Medal game at the Zone Curling Competition

15. Hammer

Practice and draw to the button procedures for round robin, tie breakers and medal games:

- i. 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time, the thirds will flip a coin. The winner of the coin toss will choose second practice or colour of rocks. At the end of the practice, an extra stone will be delivered as a draw to the button.
- ii. This stone can be delivered by any player on the team with sweeping allowed.
- iii. This stone must be measurable in the house.
 - a. If the stone is in the free-guard zone or not in play, the stone must be delivered again, by different team member, and a score of 185.4 cm will be recorded. This process is repeated until a stone is measurable in the house. If the second team's rock does not stop in the house and the first team had a measurable stone, the second team does not throw again.
 - b. If the stone covers the pin, the stone must be delivered again, by a different team member, and a score of 0" or 0 cm will be added to measurement. This process is repeated until a stone is measurable in the house. If the first team does not cover the pin and the second team covers the pin, the second team does not throw again. A score of 0" will be recorded for any team covering the pin during their first attempt for tie breaker purposes.
- iv. The same player may deliver the 1st draw to the button attempt in all games. Rotation of players is only required if the 1st attempt is not measurable.
 - a. The team with the lower measure at the end of each team's practice will be awarded hammer in the first end of play.
 - b. The measurements of the four (based on ten teams) round robin games will be recorded and totaled for tie breaking placing and determining the hammer in medal games
 - c. All measurements will be done by the thirds and agreed upon by both teams. Measurements are recorded on paper and are collected by the Host to be tallied, only the first delivered rock is recorded, the distances of additional rocks are only used should the opposing team's first rock not reach the house, or covers the pin, they determine hammer in the first end.
 - d. 1 vs. 2 crossover playoff game - The team which finished first in their pool will be rewarded with hammer in this game, thus the extra delivered stone is not required as part of the practice. The team with hammer receives first practice, the other team selects rock colour.

- e. For the medal games, the team with the lower combined total from the draws to the button from the round robin games will be awarded hammer and first practice. The other team will select rock colour and have second practice.

16. Tiebreaks

The tie-breaking procedure will include a draw to the button to take place after the conclusion of each practice, by all teams involved in the competition. The measurements of the three round robin games will be recorded and totaled for tie breaking placing only. Head to head records will be used when possible, total measurements from the draws to the button will be used if teams are still tied.

- i. If two teams are tied for first, the game between the two teams will determine first and second places.
- ii. If two teams are tied for 2nd, the two teams will play a four-end game to determine 2nd place in the pool. Extra ends will be played if necessary.
- iii. If three teams are tied for first, teams will be ranked according to policy 19 i, the top ranked team will be awarded 1st place in the pool. The other two teams will play a four-end game to determine the 2nd place team. Extra ends will be played if necessary.
- iv. If three teams are tied for second place, teams will be ranked according to policy 19 i and the 1st ranked team will be awarded a bye. The other two teams will play a four-end game with the winner then playing the team with the bye in another four-end game to determine 2nd place in the pool. Extra ends will be played if necessary.
- v. If four teams are tied for first, teams will be ranked according to policy 19 i, The 1st ranked team will play a four-end game against the 4th ranked team, the 2nd ranked team will play a four-end game against the 3rd ranked team. Extra ends will be played if necessary. The round robin game between the winning teams will determine who is awarded 1st and 2nd in the pool.

17. Curling Pool Rotation and Allocation

- a) Pools have been set up on a 5 year rotation to allow the different District qualifiers to meet each other in pool play. The schedule would continue this rotation after five years.
- b) If one of the Districts does not have an entry for one or all the three categories from Pool B, then the third District Qualifier from Pool A will drop down to Pool B to balance the pools. This would allow each pool to have two District Qualifiers.
- c) Wildcard and host positions in a pool may need to be moved to balance Districts that have more than two qualifying teams into zones. For example, if there are three qualifying teams, then the 1st place team and the 3rd place team should be in the same pool, not the 1st place and 2nd place nor the 2nd place and the 3rd place in the same pool.
- d) If the host is also the District Qualifier, then that team will take the District Qualifier spot in the correct pool and the host position becomes a wildcard for that District. If a District has two berths, they should not be in the same pool. The lowered seeded team should be moved into the other pool by switching wildcards in order to balance pools and eliminate conflicts.

Curling Advancer Rotation (Repeats after 5 years)

2024

Pool A
A1 District 1 Qualifier
A2 District 2 Qualifier
A3 District 3 Qualifier
Host

Pool B

B1 District 4 Qualifier
B2 District 5 Qualifier
B3 Wildcard #1
B4 Wildcard #2

2022

Pool A
A1 District 3 Qualifier
A2 District 4 Qualifier
A3 District 5 Qualifier
Host

Pool B

B1 District 1 Qualifier
B2 District 2 Qualifier
B3 Wildcard #1
B4 Wildcard #2

2025

Pool A
A1 District 5 Qualifier
A2 District 1 Qualifier
A3 District 2 Qualifier
Host

Pool B

B1 District 3 Qualifier
B2 District 4 Qualifier
B3 Wildcard #1
B4 Wildcard #2

2023

Pool A
A1 District 2 Qualifier
A2 District 3 Qualifier
A3 District 4 Qualifier
Host

Pool B

B1 District 5 Qualifier
B2 District 1 Qualifier
B3 Wildcard #1
B4 Wildcard #2

2026

Pool A
A1 District 4 Qualifier
A2 District 5 Qualifier
A3 District 1 Qualifier
Host

Pool B

B1 District 2 Qualifier
B2 District 3 Qualifier
B3 Wildcard #1
B4 Wildcard #2

18. Schedule of pools and playoff format:

NEASAA Zone Curling Draw
 Dates
 Location, Alberta

Date								
Round Robin								
Girls			Boys			Mixed		
Time	Teams	Sheet	Time	Teams	Sheet	Time	Teams	Sheet
	1A vs. 4A			1A vs. 4A			1A vs. 4A	
	2A vs. 3A			2A vs. 3A			2A vs. 3A	
	1B vs. 4B			1B vs. 4B			1B vs. 4B	
	2B vs. 3B			2B vs. 3B			2B vs. 3B	
	1A vs. 3A			1A vs. 3A			1A vs. 3A	
	4A vs. 2A			4A vs. 2A			4A vs. 2A	
	1B vs. 3B			1B vs. 3B			1B vs. 3B	
	4B vs. 2B			4B vs. 2B			4B vs. 2B	
Date								
Girls			Boys			Mixed		
Time	Teams	Sheet	Time	Teams	Sheet	Time	Teams	Sheet
	1A vs. 2A			1A vs. 2A			1A vs. 2A	
	3A vs. 4A			3A vs. 4A			3A vs. 4A	
	1B vs. 2B			1B vs. 2B			1B vs. 2B	
	3B vs. 4B			3B vs. 4B			3B vs. 4B	
	Tie Breaker?			Tie Breaker?			Tie Breaker?	
Playoffs								
Time	Girls Teams	Sheet	Time	Boys Teams		Time	Boys Teams	
	1st of A vs. 2nd of B			1st of A vs. 2nd of B			1st of A vs. 2nd of B	
	2nd of A vs. 1st of B			2nd of A vs. 1st of B			2nd of A vs. 1st of B	
	Gold Medal Game			Gold Medal Game			Gold Medal Game	

SECTION XVIII - CROSS COUNTRY

1. The second Thursday of October will be the date of the NEASAA cross-country running championship. NOTE: If the second Thursday is only a couple of days prior to the ASAA championship, the NEASAA championship will be the first Thursday in October.
2. The exact location of the zone competition will be communicated to all zone schools by September 15. A description of the surface of the cross-country course and course map with hills clearly marked will also be sent out by September 15.
3. Events
There shall be three race classifications for both boys and girls.
 - A. Junior - under 16 on September 1 of that school year.
 - B. Intermediate - under 17 on September 1 of that school year.
 - C. Senior - under 19 on September 1 of that school year.
4. Distances
PARA – 2000m
Junior Boys - 4000 meters
Intermediate Boys - 5000 meters
Senior Boys - 6000 meters
Junior Girls - 4000 meters
Intermediate Girls - 5000 meters
Senior Girls - 5000 meters
5. Rules
The meet shall be run in accordance with the Track and Field rules as published by the I.A.A.F.
6. Teams
In each event a school may have unlimited entries.
7. The zone banner is awarded to each A, 2A, 3A, 4A school accumulating the largest number of team points. Team points will be awarded according to the following point system.
 - A. Schools may enter as many as they would like in each event.
 - B. All competitors will score points on the following criteria:
 - 1st place will receive 120 points and each competitor after that will get a fraction of 120 points based upon the number of competitors in the event.
 - C. In the case of a tie, the championship will be awarded to both schools.
8. Those zone teams that do not comply with Section I, 3 (a) of the Policy will not be permitted to participate. (Interpretation: Individual schools or athletes, or teams not accompanied by an approved supervisor will not be permitted to register).
9. Gold, silver and bronze medallions will be presented.
10. The hosting of cross-country running shall be awarded on a number rotation by district. Each district would use their district number 1 - 5.

SECTION XIX - FOOTBALL

Please refer to section XIV of the ASAA handbook.

SECTION XX - GOLF

1. The playing rules of C.P.G.A. and local rules as proclaimed by the host club shall govern the golf tournament of the NEASAA.
2. The tournament shall take place on the Monday prior to the ASAA Provincial Championship.
3. Competitions
 - A. There shall be four zone team competitions: A/AA boys, A/AA girls, 3A/4A boys, 3A/4A girls
 - B. Each school boys or girls team may enter one to five golfers, who shall play one round of 18 holes.
 - C. NEASAA will use the same type of scoring for zones as done at provincials.
 - D. The four members of the top three teams shall receive NEASAA Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medallions.
4. Individual Competition
 - A. There shall be four individual competitions (A/AA boys, A/AA girls, 3A/4A boys, and 3A/4A girls). The lowest gross score will determine the individual champion.
 - B. The individual top three winners shall receive NEASAA Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medallion.
5. An adult must marshal each group of golfers.

SECTION XXI – RUGBY

1. Rules

The playing rules used by the ASAA shall be those endorsed by the Under 19 International Rugby Board with the following modifications:

- A. Injured players who are substituted for shall not return to the game except for those removed from the game for bleeding. This player may return to the game within a 10-minute period of time.
- B. All players must wear mouth guards at all times. Any player without a mouth guard during the course of play will be removed from competition until a mouth guard is obtained.
- C. Host schools for tournaments will be responsible for communicating

2. Season of Play

The season of play for rugby shall be February 15 to the provincial championships on the first/second weekend in June. The season of play is not intended to include July and August.

3. Eligibility

- A. The ASAA shall have rugby competitions in two tiers with each tier being determined by school population as follows: Tier I - over 799 Tier II - 799 or less
Schools may opt-up to a higher classification on or before the May 1 registration deadline.
- B. There shall be an unlimited number of players on the team roster.
- C. Two or more schools may combine to form one rugby team if the zone approves of such an arrangement. In such cases, the combined population of the schools will determine at which tier level the teams will compete. If teams are formed from combining schools, it is the responsibility of the coach/program coordinator/athletic director to submit this information to the zone secretary and to the ASAA.

Note: Insurance and liability issues involving students from one school playing for another school are the responsibility of the member schools involved and their local school jurisdictions.

- D. Teams may not be comprised of both male and female athletes.

E. High school students are not permitted to play on a non-school rugby team during the ASAA rugby season.

F. Format – the format will depend on the number of teams registered on the ASAA website. The zone commissioner will create a schedule that will work for all the schools entered, this could change on a yearly basis.

1. Teams are recommended to have a minimum of 10 practices before their first competition

2. As per ASAA policy, teams must have a minimum of 180 minutes of game play PRIOR to competing at provincials. Please review your schedule of play for the season, and ensure that you will have enough minutes to be eligible to play at provincials and before declaring for zones.

3. Zone competition will be the last week of May. We will finalize dates once we know which teams have declared. We are trying to find dates that work in that last week of May that do not conflict with Track and Field provincials as many athletes are doing both sports.

4. The zone host will send out a schedule as well as a cost per team for the zone tournament.

5. We are looking to finalize our zone policy for rugby at the next NE Zone meeting. We really want input for this policy for rugby in the zone. Please review the policy and submit any questions/additions to me in the next two days.

SECTION XXII - TEAM HANDBALL

A. Rules

The playing rules used by NEASAA shall be those endorsed by the International Handball Federation (IHF), modification as noted in the Alberta Team Handball provincial championship rulebook.

B. Season of Play

The season of play for team handball shall be February 15 to the provincial championship on the last weekend of April. The NEASAA handball championship shall be the Friday/Saturday of April prior to the provincial handball championship. An exception to this weekend would be if Good Friday falls on that weekend. In that case, the zone handball championship will be the Friday/Saturday of April two weeks prior to the provincial handball championship.

C. Eligibility

1. NEASAA shall have team handball competition in two tiers with each tier being determined by school population as follows: Tier 1 – 500+ Tier 2 – 499 or less

2. There shall be a maximum of 16 players on the team roster and 4 coaches. For each game, a maximum of 16 players can dress and must be designated on the game sheet prior to commencement of the game.

3. Two or more schools may combine to form one team handball if the zone approves such an arrangement. The team will compete under the name of the school with the greatest number of athletes.

Note: Insurance and liability issues involving students from one school playing for another school are the responsibility of the member schools involved and their respective school jurisdictions.

4. Athletes of one gender must compete for a school team of athletes of the same gender.

5. High school students are not permitted to play or practice on a non-school team handball team during the ASAA team handball season.

6. Eligibility for team handball will be limited to students enrolled in grade 10-12 except in 1A classified schools where onsite grade 9 students, in the primary school only, may be registered for team participation. Any liability or insurance issues with grade 9's playing must be addressed at the school and board level.

Representation to NEASAA Championships

1. At the present time the NEASAA championships are open competitions.
2. If two teams are vying for the zone championship, they will play a best of three.
3. If three teams are vying for the zone championship, they will play a round-robin, the 2nd and 3rd placed teams after the round-robin will play-off and the winner will play the team that was 1st after the round-robin.
4. If four teams are vying for the zone championship, they will play a round-robin. The play-off format will be:
1st vs 4th
2nd vs 3rd
Bronze game
Gold game
5. If five teams are vying for the zone championship, three teams will be in Pool A and two teams in Pool B. Each pool will play a round robin. The playoff format will be:
1st A vs 2nd B
1st B vs 2nd A
Bronze game
Gold game
6. If six teams are vying for the zone championship, three teams will be in Pool A and three teams in Pool B. Each pool will play a round robin. The playoff format will be:
1st A vs 2nd B
1st B vs 2nd A
Bronze game
Gold game
7. If seven teams are vying for the zone championship, four teams will be in Pool A and three teams in Pool B. Each pool will play a round robin. The playoff format will be:
1st A vs 2nd B
1st B vs 2nd A
Bronze game
Gold game
8. If eight teams are vying for the zone championship, four teams will be in Pool A and four teams in Pool B. Each pool will play a round robin. The playoff format will be:
1st A vs 2nd B
1st B vs 2nd A
Bronze game
Gold game
9. If nine teams are vying for the zone championship, three teams will be in Pool A, three teams in Pool B, and three teams will be in Pool C. Each pool will play a round robin. The playoff format will be:
Game 1: 2nd B vs 1st C
Game 2: 2nd A vs 2nd C
Game 3: winner of game 1 vs 1st A
Game 4: winner of game 2 vs 1st B
Bronze game
Gold game

10. Greater than 9 teams vying for the zone championship, the format is to be determined by the NEASAA handball commissioner.

Events

1. The NEASAA handball championship shall be the Friday/Saturday of April prior to the provincial handball championship. An exception to this weekend would be if Good Friday falls on that weekend. In that case, the zone handball championship will be the Friday/Saturday of April two weeks prior to the provincial handball championship.
2. The length of zone tournament games will be two twenty-five minute halves and five minute half time. This in accordance with the ATHF rules of the game.
3. Tournament Play
 - a. Two points will be awarded for a win, one point for a tie, and zero points for a loss per game.
 - b. If two or more teams are tied at the end of round robin play, the following tie breaker order will take place – head to head win, then goals for and against.

SECTION XXIII – TRACK AND FIELD

1. That the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAFF) rulebook be followed subject to any modifications required by the NEASAA.
2. The NEASAA Track and Field Meet will follow the ASAA track and field policy unless otherwise stated in the NEASAA constitution.
3. The last Wednesday before the first weekend in June will be the date of the NEASAA track and field championship.
4. Classification
 - A. The meet shall be conducted as a co-educational meet with boys and girls competing in their respective events.
 - B. Classification:
 - Senior: Competitors shall be under the age of nineteen (19) on September 1 of that school year.
 - Intermediate: Competitors shall be under the age of seventeen (17) on September 1 of that school year.
 - Junior: Competitors shall be under the age of sixteen (16) on September 1 of that school year.
 - C. Competitors are limited to competition in one class at the NEASAA meet, with the exception of Open events.

Events and Standards

Refer to ASAA Track and Field policy.

General Regulations for Entries

1. Three entries per district are permitted in all events.
2. Each competitor may enter a maximum of four events. The relay is considered a track event.
3. All 100, 200, 400, and Hurdle competitors must use starting blocks at the NEASAA track and field competition.
4. Competition in an open event may be a senior, intermediate or junior competitor.
5. All competitors in throwing and jumping events will receive 3 trials and the top eight will receive 3 more trials. The exception to this rule is for pole vault and high jump.

6. Athletes must compete in a uniform top that distinguishes their school and some type of footwear (except high jump where one foot may be shoeless). Tops that are contrary to this rule will be illegal. Failure to meet these requirements will result in the athlete being ineligible to compete. The athlete will be informed of his/her ineligibility by his/her coach by the meet director.
7. An entry fee may be levied at the discretion of the NEASAA membership.
8. Awards shall be in accordance with Policy VIII.
9. The enclosed track schedule is accepted and shall be used.
10. When 100 m heats are necessary, they will be run in the morning with finals in the afternoon.
11. All competitors will score points on a basis of a 15,14,13, ..., 2, 1 point system.
12. All events that involve heats and finals. The finals will determine the 1st through 8th place (in the case of an eight lane track) or 1st through 6th place (in the case of a six lane track) with the remaining places being ranked by heat times.
13. Relay allocation of school points will be determined by the number of athletes the school has participating on the relay team. Ex. Team A comes first (10 pts). Each athlete receives 2.5 points for their school team.
14. Gold, silver and bronze medallions will be presented
15. The Zone Track and Field will be a 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A competition, with banners awarded to the winners at each level. The final standings will be decided by using a 15 point system (15 down through 1).
16. The formation of relay teams representing the zone at provincials shall be determined as follows:
 - a. The "A" relay team will be the first place team. If any or all of the members of the first place team do not choose to compete, replacements will be chosen from all available athletes. The winning team will make these decisions.
 - b. The "B" relay team will be a composite team selected from all available athletes in the following order:
 - 4 x 100 m – 100 m, 200 m, hurdles then any other available runner
 - 4 x 400 m – 400 m, 800 m then any other available runner
17. Final entry of relay teams will occur at the coaches' meeting following the zone meet.

NEASAA Track & Field Schedule

Time	Sr. Girls	Int. Girls	Jr. Girls	Sr. Boys	Int. Boys	Jr. Boys
9:30	LONG	JAVELIN	HIGH	TRIPLE	SHOT	DISCUS
9:30	Open Girls 300 Hurdles					
9:40	Open Boys 300 Hurdles					
9:50	PENT 100	PENT 100	PENT 100			
9:55				PENT 100	PENT 100	PENT 100
10:00	1500					
10:10		1500				
10:30	POLE VAULT – ALL CATEGORIES 1500					
10:40	JAVELIN	HIGH	DISCUS	SHOT / 1500	LONG	TRIPLE
10:50					1500	
11:00						1500
11:05	100 heats					
11:10		100 heats				
11:15			100 heats			
11:20				100 heats		
11:25					100 heats	
11:30						100 heats
11:35	HIGH / PENT 800	DISCUS	TRIPLE	LONG / PENT	JAVELIN	SHOT
11:40		800				
11:45			800			
11:50				800		
11:55					800	
12:00						800
12:10	200 heats					
12:15		200 heats				
12:20			200 heats			SHOT PENT
12:25				200 heats		
12:30					200 heats	
12:35						200 heats
12:40	BREAK FOR LUNCH					
1:25	POLE VAULT – ALL CATEGORIES					
1:25	DISCUS	TRIPLE	SHOT / PENT	JAVELIN	HIGH	LONG
1:25		HURDLES				
1:30			HURDLES			
1:40	HURDLES					
1:50					HURDLES	
1:55						HURDLES
2:05				HURDLES		
2:15	200 final					
2:20		200 final				
2:25			200 final			
2:30	PARA SPORT 200 Open Girls					
2:35	TRIPLE	SHOT	LONG / PENT	200 final	DISCUS	JAVELIN
2:40				HIGH / PENT	200 final	
2:45						200 final
2:50	PARA SPORT 200 Open Boys					
2:55	3000					
3:15		3000				
3:35			3000			
3:40	SHOT / PENT / PARA	LONG	JAVELIN	DISCUS	TRIPLE	HIGH
3:55				3000		
4:15					3000	
4:35						3000
4:40	PENT 800	PENT 800	PENT 800			
4:45				PENT 800	PENT 800	PENT 800
4:50	100 final					
4:55		100 final				
5:00			100 final			
5:05	PARA SPORT 100 Open Girls					
5:10				100 final		
5:15					100 final	
5:20						100 final
5:25	PARA SPORT 100 Open Boys					

5:30	400					
5:35		400				
5:40			400			
5:45				400		
5:50					400	
5:55						400
6:00	4 x 100					
6:05		4 x 100				
6:10			4 x 100			
6:15				4 x 100		
6:20					4 x 100	
6:25						4 x 100
6:30	4 x 400 OPEN					
6:35				4 X 400 OPEN		
6:45	4 x 400 MIXED OPEN RELAY					
6:45	Coaches' Meeting					

SECTION XXIV - VOLLEYBALL

1. The rules of the CVA shall govern the ASAA volleyball.
2. The ASAA recognizes the Alberta Volleyball Association as the official organization for training and certifying of officials and gives its full support through the use of certified officials.
 - A. Officials shall be appointed by the President or his designate.

B. In zone competition, it is the responsibility of the competition chairman to ensure that the minor officials - linesmen and scorekeeper - are properly trained and provided.

C. TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES:

If two or more teams are tied at the end of the preliminary round, the following criteria will be applied, in order:

1. The team having the best ratio of won/lost matches, considering matches between the tied teams, will be ranked higher.
2. The team having the best ratio of won/lost games, considering matches played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher.
3. The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering games played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher.
4. The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering all games played during the round, will be ranked higher.
5. As determined by the Organizing Committee (e.g. extra game, toss of coin, etc.)

NOTE: When used to determine the ranking of any number of teams (2 or more), the tie-breaking criteria should be applied one after the other, until all teams have been ranked. E.g. If there is a tie among teams X, Y, and Z, and criteria "b" determines team X as ranked first, ranking of teams Y and Z should then be determined by using criteria "c", and so on, if necessary.

This system is used to rank teams in a section but is not used to eliminate a team. E.G. If three teams are tied for first place and two are to advance, the C.V.A. tie break procedure will determine first, second and third place. The first place team receives a bye while the second and third place teams play a single game to determine second place. If only one team was to advance, then the winner of the single game playoff would play the first place team in a single game playoff.

3. Volleyball Zone tournament fees shall accompany a team's participation at the zone competition and must be provided to the host prior to their first game. Zone fees not payed prior will be subject to a late fee equal to the registration fee.
4. A. Seeding for all zone volleyball championships shall be established by the respective ranking officers using the following guidelines:
 - i. Strength of schedule (1A school playing all 3A tournaments), success in these tournaments is also a criteria a.
 - ii. Head to Head games, common opponents. (games played towards the end of the season will carry more weight than earlier games.
 - iii. Discretion of the ranking officer from games viewed at common tournaments

B. It is every school's responsibility to submit their games played to the ranking officers on a regular basis. Any

school that does not submit their games will not be ranked.

C. Ranking Officer will compile results and submit his/her rankings to the NEASAA Body and Volleyball Commissioner on the following schedule:

- I) the Wednesday of the last week of September.
- II) the Wednesday of the Third week of October.
- III) the Monday of the second week of November (final ranking).

D. Protests to the final rankings must be received by the Volleyball Commissioner on or before the Friday following the final rankings. A complete list of team results must accompany the school's protest.

5. 1A NEASAA Volleyball Playoffs

A. The 1A NEASAA Volleyball host will determine if the championship is to be a 10 team or an 8 team tournament based on court availability.

The host will need to determine the number of teams attending the zone championship by the end of September.

For a 10 team format, the representation should be as followed:

Host & 1 team District Winners 5 teams

Next four highest ranked teams that 4 teams have not already qualified.

For an 8 team format, the representation should be as followed:

Host & 1 team District Winners 5 teams

Next two highest ranked teams that 2 teams have not already qualified.

The representative of each district shall be declared by the Friday of the first week in November.

In the event a District does not have a representative that spot will go to the next highest ranked team that has not already qualified.

The volleyball commissioner shall notify either the (two) or (four) teams that have qualified by rankings on the Monday of the second week of November to ensure they are able to attend the zone championship.

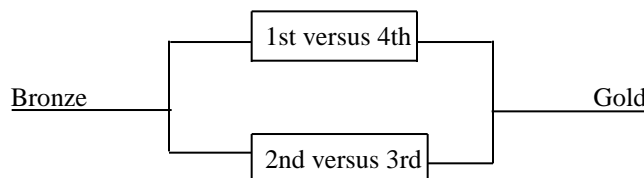
6. 2A NEASAA Volleyball Playoffs

Each district (league) will be eligible to send all registered teams to the 2A Volleyball Championship.

7. 2A and 3A volleyball playoffs will be on a rotation schedule.

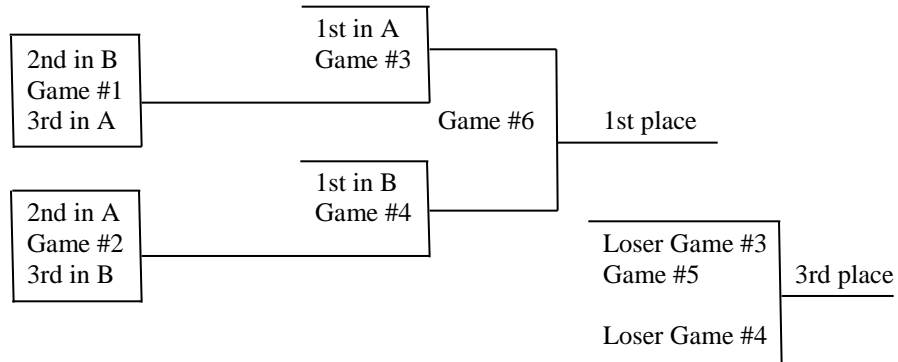
8. The following are the approved draws for all zone volleyball championships.

A. Seven or less teams - Single round-robin play with preliminary matches being best two out of three game matches. Top four teams* advance to finals as follows:



Play-off matches will be best two out of three game matches.

B. Eight or more teams - Two pool round robin play with preliminary matches being best two out of three game matches. Top three teams* in each pool advance to finals as follows:



The two pools shall be seeded as such:

Pool A	Pool B
1st seed	2nd seed
3rd seed	4th seed
5th seed	6th seed
8th seed	7th seed
10th seed	9th seed
12th seed	11th seed

*In case of a tie, the ASAA tie-breaking procedure will be used to rank teams in a section but is not used to eliminate a team.

SECTION XXIV - WRESTLING

Please refer to Section XXIII of the ASAA Handbook.

SECTION XXVI – MEMBER SCHOOLS

NORTH EAST ZONE SCHOOLS

DISTRICT 1

Ashmont Secondary
Elk Point, F.G. Miller
Frog Lake Napewaew
Glendon
Heinsburg
Kehewin
Mallaig
Myrnam, New Myrnam
Saddle Lake, Kihew Asiniy
St. Paul, St. Paul Regional
St. Paul, St. Paul Alternate Ed. Centre
Ecole du Sommet
Two Hills
Vilna

DISTRICT 2

Holy Rosary, Lloyd
Dewberry
Kitscoty
Lloydminster Comprehensive (F-ball & Rugby)
Mannville
Marwayne Jubilee
Paradise Valley, E.H. Walter
School of Hope
Vermilion, J.R. Robson
Vermilion, St. Jerome's

DISTRICT 3

Lac La Biche, J.A. Williams
Plamondon
Bonnyville, Centralized
Bonnyville, Notre Dame
Bonnyville Off Campus
Ecole Beausejour
Cold Lake High School
Grand Centre, Assumption
Ecole des Beaux Lacs
Ecole Voyageur

DISTRICT 4

Fort McMurray, Composite
Fort McMurray, Fr.P. Mercredi
Fort McMurray, Westwood
Fort McMurray, Holy Trinity
Fort McMurray, Frank Spragins High School
Anzac, Bill Woodward School
Fort McMurray, Ecole McTavish

DISTRICT 5

Innisfree
Lamont
Smoky Lake, H.A. Kostash
Vegreville, Composite
Vegreville, St. Mary's

SECTION XXVII - ROTATIONAL SCHEDULE

In the event that a district is unable to host a zone competition, a bidding process will occur to determine the host.

Through mutual agreement, districts may switch hosting responsibilities. Such agreements must be sent in writing to the NEASAA Executive with signatures from both district presidents. Ex. District #1 is hosting Provincials in 2002 and may wish to host zones in the same year.

School Year	Golf		X-Country	Volleyball				
	1A/2A	3A/4A	1A – 4A	1A GIRLS	1A BOYS	2A GIRLS	2A BOYS	3A
21/22	3	4	1	3	1	1	5	4
22/23	2	2	2	4	5	5	4	1
23/24	5	4	3	1	2	2	3	4
24/25	1	3	4	2	4	4	2	3
25/26	4	1	5	5	3	3	1	2

School Year	Curling	Basketball					Badminton	Track & Field
	1A – 4A	1A GIRLS	1A BOYS	2A GIRLS	2A BOYS	3A	1A – 4A	1A – 4A
21/22	4	4	2	5	2	1	2	3
22/23	3	2	3	3	5	3	3	4
23/24	2	5	1	4	1	4	4	5
24/25	1	1	5	1	4	2	5	1
25/26	5	3	4	2	3	4	1	2

3. 4A Volleyball and 4A Basketball Rotations

School Year 4A Volleyball 4A Basketball

**If another school in the zone becomes a 4A school, that school will be included within the rotation.

**If a school opts up to 4A, they will travel to the host school as indicated in the rotation.