

IHSA[®] Information



Boys Baseball

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To: Principal, Athletic Director, Head Coach
From: Craig Anderson, Assistant Executive Director
Date: June 8, 2015
Re: State Final Information

Congratulations on having your school qualify for the IHSA Boys Baseball State Finals! What a tremendous accomplishment for your team, school, and community! This week promises to be an exciting and quick one for you and your school, so we hope that this state final qualifier information packet is of value to you in preparing for your trip to Joliet.

The following items are included in this packet:

- Cover letter (includes Tournament Management Contact List)
- Area Hotel Information
- Tournament Time Schedule
- Trophy Presentation Instructions
- Team Dinner Agenda
- Student Media Pass(es) Information and Video Taping Information
- Information packet from Heritage Corridor Convention & Visitors Bureau

It is imperative that you print out copies of each – plus the IHSA Boys' Baseball Manual for Schools and the Baseball Terms and Conditions – and review all these documents prior to coming to Joliet.

Tournament Management Contact List:

IHSA Office	309-663-6377
IHSA Fax	309-663-7479
Craig Anderson cell	309-532-9848
Chris Olson	815-955-1944

Thursday night attire is casual. Players should wear jeans or shorts and a matching shirt or jersey.

Please email Cheryl Charlton (ccharlton@ihsa.org) with cell phone numbers for any school administrators who will be in Joliet (Head coach, Athletic Director, Principal, etc.) as well as the hotel your team will be staying at if applicable.

Finally, state final tickets will be \$6 per session at Silver Cross Stadium and available at the gate.

Below is the list of lodging accommodations for the IHSA 3A & 4A State Finals held at Silver Cross Field in Joliet. Please reserve your room blocks before noon on Tuesday, June 9, 2015. The special rates listed below apply only to players and their families. Rates do NOT include tax.



Best Western Joliet Inn & Suites

4380 Enterprise Dr, Joliet 815-730-7500 bestwesternillinois.com \$94.99
Contact: Pradip Bahatt jolietbw@aol.com

Free continental breakfast, free wi-fi, pool, hot tub (indoor)



Hampton Inn Joliet I-55

3555 Mall Loop Dr, Joliet 815-207-2102 jolieti55.hamptoninn.com \$134.00
Contact: Karen Young kyoung@raymondteam.com

Complimentary, hot buffet breakfast, free wi-fi, indoor pool and whirlpool, 24-hour fitness center, refrigerators, microwaves and coffee makers in each room, complimentary on-site parking.



Hampton Inn Joliet I-80

1521 Riverboat Dr, Joliet 815-207-2102 jolieti80.hamptoninn.com \$134.00
Contact: Karen Young kyoung@raymondteam.com

Complimentary, hot buffet breakfast, free wi-fi, indoor pool and whirlpool, 24-hour fitness center, refrigerators, microwaves and coffee makers in each room, complimentary on-site parking.



Comfort Inn North - Joliet

3235 Norman Ave, Joliet 815-436-5141 choicehotels.com/illinois \$109.99
Contact: Janice Bianchi gm.ill95@choicehotels.com

Free high-speed internet, free hot breakfast, pool, fitness center, whirlpool



Fairfield Inn & Suites Joliet North

3239 Norman Ave, Joliet 815-436-6577 marriott.com/mdwfi \$119.00
Contact: Nick Mehr nick.mehr@tmihospitality.com

Free high speed internet, free breakfast, fitness center, pool, complimentary business center.

Rates do NOT include taxes.

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Harrah's Casino & Hotel Joliet

151 N. Joliet St, Joliet 815-740-7800 caesars.com/harrahs-joliet **\$149.00**
Contact: Sarah Vogel svogel@cesars.com

Includes \$10 breakfast voucher to Ace's Diner on casino floor (must be 21 to dine-in). Property amenity fee of \$10 per room per night includes: Two guest admissions per day to the fitness center, basic wi-fi for two devices per room per day, daily access to business center, hotel valet parking for one vehicle.



Hollywood Casino Joliet Hotel

777 Hollywood Blvd, Joliet 888-436-7737 hollywoodcasinojoliet.com **\$99.00**
Contact: Dan Tumbarello dan.tumbarello@pngaming.com

Complimentary breakfast and free wi-fi



Lexington Inn & Suites

3231 Norman Ave, Joliet 815-439-4200 lexingtonhotels.com **\$89.99**
Contact: Rosalyn Romero lexingtonjolietgm@gmail.com

Free breakfast, wi-fi, indoor pool/hot tub, microwave and fridge in all rooms



Quality Inn & Suites Joliet

135 S. Larkin St, Joliet 815-744-1770 choicehotels.com/illinois **\$95.49**
Contact: Cathy Radokovich gm.il071@choicehotels.com

Indoor pool and hot tub, free wi-fi, free deluxe continental breakfast



Wingate by Wyndham

101 McDonald Ave, Joliet 815-741-2100 wingatehotels.com/joliet **\$119.00**
Contact: Tamme Crater wingateinnjoliet@msn.com

Free hot breakfast, free wi-fi, heated indoor pool, all in-room amenities

TOURNAMENT TIME SCHEDULE – 3A/4A JOLIET

Session #1	Minutes Before	Minutes		
Friday		Actual Time	Game Time	Elapsed

Game No. 1: 10:00 a.m.

Home team infield		9:27 a.m.	33 min.	0
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		9:35 a.m.	25 min.	8
Clear infield		9:37 a.m.	23 min.	10
Visiting team infield		9:38 a.m.	22 min.	11
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		9:46 a.m.	14 min.	19
Clear infield		9:48 a.m.	12 min.	21
Umpire conference with coaches		9:48 a.m.	12 min.	21
Introduce all players on roster and coaches		9:50 a.m.	10 min.	23
National Anthem (Tape or Soloist)		9:57 a.m.	3 min.	30
Home team on field		9:59 a.m.	1 min.	32
Start Game		10:00 a.m.	0 min.	33

Between Games (At Home Plate)

Introduce 1A IESA State Champions	(Approx.)	11:45 a.m.
Introduce 3A IESA State Champions		

Game No. 2: Noon (Approx.)

Note: Start timing when field is ready

Warm-up (Both teams in outfield)	5 min.	36 min.	0
Home team infield	10 min.	31 min.	5
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		23 min.	13
Clear infield	1 min.	21 min.	15
Visiting team infield	10 min.	20 min.	16
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		12 min.	24
Clear infield	1 min.	10 min.	26
Umpires conference with coaches	2 min.	10 min.	26
Introduce all players on roster and coaches	7 min.	8 min.	28
Home team on field	1 min.	1 min.	35
Start game	Noon (Approx.)	0 min.	36

Friday (Continued)	Actual Time	Minutes Before Game Time	Minutes Elapsed
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Game No. 3: 3:00 p.m.

Note: Start Timing when field is ready

Home team infield	2:29 p.m.	31 min.	0
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	2:37 p.m.	23 min.	8
Clear infield	2:39 p.m.	21 min.	10
Visiting team infield	2:40 p.m.	20 min.	11
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	2:48 p.m.	12 min.	19
Clear infield	2:50 p.m.	10 min.	21
Umpire conference with coaches	2:50 p.m.	10 min.	21
Introduce all players on roster and coaches	2:52 p.m.	8 min.	23
Home team on field	2:59 p.m.	1 min.	30
Start Game	3:00 p.m.	0 min.	31

Game No. 4: 5:00 p.m. (Approx.)

Note: Start timing when field is ready

Warm-up (Both teams in outfield)	5 min.	36 min.	0
Home team infield	10 min.	31 min.	5
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		23 min.	13
Clear infield	1 min.	21 min.	15
Visiting team infield	10 min.	20 min.	16
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		12 min.	24
Clear infield	1 min.	10 min.	26
Umpires conference with coaches	2 min.	10 min.	26
Introduce all players on roster and coaches	7 min.	8 min.	28
Home team on field	1 min.	1 min.	35
Start game	5:00 p.m. (Approx.)	0 min.	36

Session #2		Minutes Before	Minutes
Saturday	Actual Time	Game Time	Elapsed

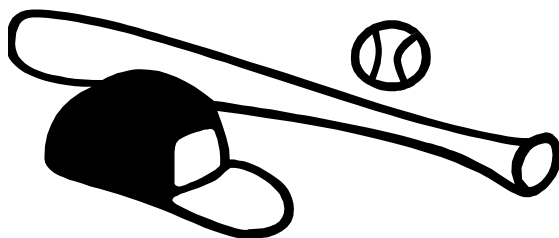
Game No. 5: 9:00 a.m.

Home team infield	8:29 a.m.	31 min.	0
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	8:37 a.m.	23 min.	8
Clear infield	8:39 a.m.	21 min.	10
Visiting team begins infield	8:40 a.m.	20 min.	11
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	8:48 a.m.	12 min.	19
Clear infield	8:50 a.m.	10 min.	21
Umpire conference with coaches	8:50 a.m.	10 min.	21
Introduce Head Coach and starting Players ONLY!	8:52 a.m.	8 min.	23
Home team on field	8:59 a.m.	1 min.	30
Start Game	9:00 a.m.	0 min.	31

Game No. 6: 11:30 am (Approx.)

Note: Start timing when field is ready

Warm-up (Both teams in outfield)	5 min.	39 min.	0
Home team infield	10 min.	34 min.	5
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		26 min.	13
Clear infield	1 min.	24 min.	15
Visiting team infield	10 min.	23 min.	16
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		15 min.	24
Clear infield	1 min.	13 min.	26
Umpires conference with coaches	2 min.	12 min.	27
Introduce Head Coach and starting Players ONLY!	7 min.	10 min.	29
National Anthem (Tape or Soloist)	2 min.	3 min.	36
Home team on field	1 min.	1 min.	38
Start game	Noon (Approx.)	0 min.	39



Session #3		Minutes Before	Minutes
Saturday	Actual Time	Game Time	Elapsed

Game No. 7: 3:00 p.m.

Home team infield	2:29 p.m.	31 min.	0
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	2:37 p.m.	23 min.	8
Clear infield	2:39 p.m.	21 min.	10
Visiting team infield	2:40 p.m.	20 min.	11
2 minute warning after 8 minutes	2:48 p.m.	12 min.	19
Clear infield	2:50 p.m.	10 min.	21
Umpire conference with coaches	2:50 p.m.	10 min.	21
Introduce Head Coach & Starting Players ONLY!	2:52 p.m.	8 min.	23
Home team on field	2:59 p.m.	1 min.	30
Start Game	3:00 p.m.	0 min.	31

Game No. 8: 5:30 p.m. (Approx.) Note: Start timing when field is ready

Warm-up (Both teams in outfield)	Approx.	5:21 p.m.	39 min.	0
Home team infield	Approx.	5:26 p.m.	34 min.	5
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		5:34 p.m.	26 min.	13
Clear infield		5:36 p.m.	24 min.	15
Visiting team infield		5:37 p.m.	23 min.	16
2 minute warning after 8 minutes		5:45 p.m.	15 min.	24
Clear infield		5:47 p.m.	13 min.	26
Umpires conference with coaches		5:48 p.m.	12 min.	27
Introduce Head Coach & Starting Players ONLY!		5:50 p.m.	10 min.	29
National Anthem (Live or Tape)		5:57 p.m.	3 min.	36
Home team on field		5:59 p.m.	1 min.	38
Start game		6:00 p.m. (Approx.)	0 min.	39



**Baseball State Final Team Dinner
Silver Cross Field -- Joliet, Illinois
5:00 p.m.**

All teams should be at the stadium by 5:00 p.m. Thursday.

Dinner will be served releasing each table (approximately 5:30 pm)

1. Welcome Craig Anderson
2. Master of Ceremonies WJOL Scott Slocum or Steve Brandy
3. Introductions Craig Anderson
 - Tom Giarrante Mayor of Joliet (will say a few words)
 - Bob Navarro Heritage Corridor Convention & Visitors Bureau
 - Chris Olson Joliet Township High School District
 - Rich Piathek Official Scorer
 - Hank Sundeen Media coordinator - press conferences
 - Brad Stearns Umpire in Chief
4. Officials introductions MC will introduce the Umpire in Chief Brad Stearns. He will introduce the six state final officials.
5. Team introductions in playing order - smaller class first.
MC will introduce each of the head coaches and interview him for a few minutes.
6. Coin Toss - MC will bring up the head coaches in game order for the coin flip. Umpire in Chief will conduct the coin flip with Rich Piathek recording all home and visiting teams.

We must also flip for the 3rd and championship games on Saturday.

Note: Coaches meeting will be held following the dinner.

Trophy Presentation Instructions

(Teams Playing in Third Place and/or Championship Game)

Immediately following the conclusion of both the third place and championship games, these procedures will be implemented:

1) Teams return to their benches, and players prepare to line up in the order that they will receive medallions as outlined below:

The 30 representatives of the teams finishing 4th/2nd and 3rd/1st in the Tournament are to assemble in order in front of their respective dug-out. The home team shall line up in foul territory of the 3rd base line, while the visiting team shall line in foul territory of the 1st base line. Order shall be: Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director, Athletic Trainer (if applicable), Head Coach, Assistant Coaches, Manager(s) (if applicable), the twenty-seven players (maximum) in numerical order of their jersey, with the administrators lining up closest to home plate. *Per the Terms and Conditions only 30 individuals, other than the first four names listed above will be allowed to participate in the Awards Ceremony.*

2) As teams are assembling, State Final Management Team rolls table holding trophies to the home plate area. (NOTE: If applicable, table will have the IHSA logo attached to the front of the table.)

3) Members of IHSA Board of Directors and staff who will present medallions and trophies walk as a group from the third base dugout to the home plate area, lining up to face the main grandstand.

NOTE: Persons assigned to hold medallions for presenter should drape the complete set of medallions for that team over their arm in advance. This will help to speed up the ceremony and will also eliminate snags which may occur because of twisted ribbons or tangled medallions that lay on a table or other surface.

4) Fourth/Second Place Medallions: State Final Site Public Address Announcer reads script for awarding of medallions to the fourth/second place team as outlined below:

- a) IHSA Representatives drape medallions over heads of all in team contingent as house PA announces respective names.
- b) Then team members and coaches remain in position on base line while presentation of medallions is made to third/first place team.

5) Third/First Place Medallions: State Final Site Public Address Announcer reads script for awarding of medallions to the third/first place teams as outlined below:

- a) IHSA representatives drape medallions over heads of all in team contingent as house PA announces respective names.
- b) Then team members and coaches remain in position on base line while presentation of fourth/second place trophy is made to the fourth/second place team.

7) Fourth/Second Place Team Trophy: State Final Site Public Address Announcer reads script for awarding of trophy to the fourth/second place team, as outlined below:

- a) IHSA representatives award fourth/second place trophy to head coach and captain(s).

8) Third/First Place Team Trophy: State Final Site Public Address Announcer reads script for awarding of trophy to the third/first place team, as outlined below:

- a) IHSA Representatives award third/first place trophy to head coach and captain(s).

9) Team Photos: After medallions and trophies are awarded, teams will be directed to a designated spot for an official team photo by the IHSA photographer. After the official team photo is taken, parents and media will be allowed access to the teams.

State Final Student Media/Video Taping



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STUDENT MEDIA CREDENTIALS FOR PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Congratulations on qualifying for an IHSA state final in a team sport. In order to provide the best possible coverage of this event for your school newspaper, yearbook and AV club, etc. you are entitled to have up to three students receive credentials to cover this event as official media members. In the event that you have less than three students, an adult sponsor may be included on this list. To apply for student media credentials, please have your Athletic Director or an individual involved with the aforementioned programs email Matt Troha (mtroha@ihsa.org) at the IHSA with the following information:

- 1) The names of individuals attending
- 2) Whether they are students or adults
- 3) If the attending individuals will serve as reporters, photographers, videographers, etc.

Student media who are registering for credentials are expected to maintain a level of professionalism while covering this event. That includes no cheering while in the press box or game coverage area. Proper attire is also required. Wearing school shirts and colors is acceptable, but students wearing face paint, costumes, carrying props, etc. will be required to change before receiving credential clearance.

The individual applying for student media credentials will receive specific information on credential pick-up and media regulations at the event via email in the days leading up to the state final.

Please note that student media credentials are only available for state final events in team sports. Due to the sheer volume of schools who qualify in individual sports, our press facilities would be unable to accommodate student media from all participating schools in individual sports. Student media are also welcome to cover IHSA state final activities. Credentials are not required for these events, but please have your students check-in with state final personnel upon arrival for media coverage regulations.

VIDEO TAPING STATE FINALS FOR COACH FILM BREAKDOWN

Each school will be eligible to receive a pass for an individual attending the state final event to shoot game film that is for the sole purpose of being used by the coaching staff for postgame breakdown. Passes for videographers shooting highlight videos, documentaries, etc. should be included in student media application reference above. Additional passes for videotaping purposes will need to come from the allotment of state final passes given to school/head coach at or prior to the state final event.

To apply for a credential to shoot video, please have your Athletic Director email Matt Troha (mtroha@ihsa.org) at the IHSA with the name of the individual who will be taping and whether they are an adult or a student.

Please contact Matt Troha (309-663-6377) at the IHSA for any questions related to this document.