

2024 Cougar Classic Rules

NFHS RULES WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM

THE OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT BALL WILL BE THE CIF-DESIGNATED DUDLEY BALL. POOL RANKING CRITERIA WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: 1 NUMBER OF WINS, 2 NUMBER OF LOSSES, 3 HEAD TO HEAD RECORD, 4 FEWEST RUNS ALLOWED, 5 MOST RUNS SCORED, (SEVEN RUNS MAX PER GAME) 6 BEST-LOOKING COACH, 7 COIN TOSS. TIES WILL COUNT AS A HALF-GAME EACH.

A coin toss will determine the Home Team. The home team is to be the OFFICIAL SCOREKEEPER and responsible for giving the score to the umpire and turning the score into the snack bar. Mercy Rule, 8 runs after 4 ½ innings. Because of heavy field usage, there will be no infield practice before the game. Foul territory drills are OK.

Time Limits: No new inning to start after 1 Hour and 30 Minutes in all tournament games including the championship games because of field constraints. International Tiebreaker: To be in effect at the top of the eighth inning, not to exceed two innings in pool play and any new inning after 1 hour and thirty minutes in tournament play. Runs allowed and scored will be included if needed to determine pool ranking.

The first and second-place pool teams (PLATINUM) tournament will play on Field 2. The third and fourth-place teams (GOLD) tournament will be held on Field 4. The fifth and sixth place teams (SILVER) tournament will be held on field 3. The seventh and eighth place teams (BRONZE) tournament will be held on field 5. The ninth and tenth-place teams (COPPER) tournament will be held at KIT CARSON PARK ADULT FIELDS. The first games will start at 9:00 on Saturday and continue as scheduled on the brackets. We will post the game scores as they become available at the end of each day at the snack bar, the school tournament website, and our EHS Softball Instagram page @ehs.cougars.softball.

Any rainout on FEBRUARY 26, 27, 28, 29, or MARCH 1, will be played on Sat March 2 w/ 3:00 games to start @ 8:00 AM and continue every 2 hours. The single elimination tournament would then start at 2:00 PM with the 9:00 AM games first and then every two hours. A second rainout would move to Sat. March 2 starts with the 3:00 games at 2:00, with the first bracket of single elimination games starting as pool play is finished or 8:00 PM at the latest. Any first-round games not played on Saturday will move to Monday MARCH 4, with the earliest scheduled remaining games at 3:00. The semifinal round/championship finals are moved to Tuesday MARCH 5, if needed.