

NCTTA Championship Regulations, Rules and Financial Assistance

For the 2005-2006 Championships

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REGULATIONS

1) NCTTA championship will be held on April 7-9th 2006. The exact location would be determined

through a formal bidding process (please see the document titled, *NCTTA Championship Bidding Guidelines*).

2) During the planning process:

a) It is the responsibility of the host school to notify the championship committee of any problem in championship preparation. The board will take whatever steps necessary to help.

b) NCTTA will provide financial help and in some cases allow the host school to use its name/logo to attract potential sponsors and run a successful fund-raising campaign. Nonetheless, these issues will require careful and consistent communication between the board and the host school. The **best time** to clarify financial expectations between the executive board and the host school **is during the bidding process and shortly after the announcement of the winning bid.**

3) A school cannot host more than 2 consecutive championships and cannot host more than 2 championships in a span of 4 years. Consideration for this rule shall begin its count with the 2004 championship and onward.

4) The following teams will be invited to the NCTTA championship:

a) Divisional winners whose divisions **abide** to the minimum 4-team-per-division and 2-meet-per-season rules. Failure to meet these rules will disqualify a division from sending **any** team to the finals.

b) If the division winner is unable to attend the finals, the 2nd placed team in the division will be invited to participate. Invitations will not be extended beyond 2nd place.

c) If a division has 8-10 teams that played each other at least twice during the season, it will be allowed to send its top two teams to the finals. If one or both of the teams cannot attend the event, the invitation will extend to but not beyond the 4th placed team.

d) The host school is **guaranteed a spot** in the NCTTA championship. However, since the bid was determined months ahead, **the host's championship eligibility will be withdrawn in a timely manner if the school does not exhibit a sufficient amount of effort to participate in league play.**

- e) A Host division wild card will be chosen from the National Championships host school's Division.
- a) If the National Championships host school do not qualify from regular season play, that school is given the host division wild card.
 - b) If the Host school qualifies from regular season play the highest finishing non-qualifying school in the division gets the Host division wild card.
- f) The General Wild Card school chosen with the highest overall team rating as of the end of the *Spring semester of play*.
- 5) The system for determining team seeding for the Championships are based on the team's TOTAL NCTTA ratings.

6) Rosters:

- a) Players need to have represented the school in at least one divisional meet before being allowed on the championship roster.
 - b) Players need formal approvals, in writing, from their school's registrar's office and have completed the NCTTA registrar's document and championship waiver
 - c) Players who improve greatly during the season and have represented their schools in junior varsity scrimmages will be allowed on the championship roster as well.
 - d) Rosters are due prior to the deadline of placing the championship booklet into press and that means usually at least 3 or more weeks prior to the championship date. No exception will be made.
- 7) All participating teams **are required** to wear team uniforms and it is strongly encouraged to wear matching shorts. If their clubs have not produced an appropriate attire during the season, the team members need to purchase the same type of clothing containing either their school's name or symbol from their university stores and use it as their uniform. Uniforms must be worn at all time during championship matches. No exception will be made.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

- 1) NCTTA is able to provide LIMITED funding for eligible schools to participate in the NCTTA championship, **with the premise** that the teams have exhausted all their resources and contacts at their institution.
- 2) Before filing for NCTTA financial assistance, the eligible championship teams should read the document entitled, *NCTTA Fund Request Information*, on the NCTTA website.
- 3) Apply for institutional assistance according to the guidelines outlined in the above document.

4) After exhausting institutional resources, the teams can then ask for NCTTA financial assistance through a formal application. The application needs to be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to the championship

5) NCTTA President and Treasurer will reply in a timely fashion and indicate the amount of aid.