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BASKETBALL
Playoff Handbook

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

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Congratulations to schools who will represent their district in post-season play! Please read the following information carefully regarding the 2017-18 UIL Basketball playoffs.

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Certification Deadlines for Basketball Playoffs.

February 10 (Girls) February 17 (Boys)	District Certification Deadline, All Conferences.
February 12-13 (Girls) February 19-20 (Boys)	Bi-district, All Conferences.
February 15-17 (Girls) February 22-24 (Boys)	Area, All Conferences.
February 19-20 (Girls) February 26-27 (Boys)	Regional quarterfinals, All Conferences.
February 23-24 (Girls) March 2-3 (Boys)	Regional semifinals & finals, All Conferences.
March 1-3 (Girls) March 8-10 (Boys)	Basketball State Tournament, All Conferences.

Brackets. (*required for each round of playoffs)

Use **MaxPreps.com** to submit results and update next round bracket information. The winning coach must submit next round information and game results on an existing MaxPreps.com account or by creating a new one. Scores submitted through MaxPreps will be automatically updated on the UIL playoff brackets. Learn more about MaxPreps Sign in or register for a MaxPreps.com account: <https://secure.maxpreps.com/utility/member/login.aspx>

POSTSEASON GAME INFORMATION

Post-season Warmup Matches.

- Teams can schedule a warm-up game before their first playoff game if they have not reached their allowable season limit:
 - 0 invitational tournaments and 27 games
 - 1 invitational tournament and 25 games
 - 2 invitational tournaments and 23 games
 - 3 invitational tournaments and 21 gamesThis game can be scheduled like any other regular season game.
- The district champions that have exhausted their allowable season limit are given a UIL one-game exception under the following conditions:
 - Only the district champions that have a bye for the first round or playoffs can use the one-game exception.
 - The one-game exception can be played only at the end of your school day on Friday or last day of instruction with no loss of school time or anytime on Saturday.

Championship Structure. The top 3 teams in Conference 1A and the top 4 teams in Conferences 2A-6A will advance from district to the playoffs.

Site Selection. The teams involved should select sites for all rounds of playoffs except the regional sites. See Section 1208 (o and p) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules. If schools cannot agree, they must flip a coin.

- **Home Sites.** When two schools flip for two separate sites other than their home field or court, the sites are considered home sites unless both sites are near mid-point.
- **Neutral Sites.** A site mid-point or near mid-point, or a site agreed on by both schools as neutral, is a neutral site. Unless mutually agree-able, a site cannot be neutral if its distance from either school is more than two-thirds the total distance between the two schools.
- **Mid-Point Sites.** Unless mutually agreed otherwise, post district contests in the team sports of baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, team tennis and volleyball shall be at a mid-point site for schools located more than 100 miles apart.

Gate Receipts.

The following paragraph is taken from the Basketball Plan.

(d) POST-DISTRICT RECEIPTS. Sixteen percent of the gate receipts, after fees for referees, scorer and timer are deducted, shall be paid to the UIL for all post-district games except games played at the state tournaments. The UIL office retains an annually determined percentage of gate receipts from the state basketball tournament.

The school that handles the receipts of the game, usually the "home team", submits a financial form to the UIL office. The updated basketball financial form can be found on the basketball forms page on our website:

<http://www.uiltexas.org/basketball/page/bbfinancialform>

Officials.

- [Officials Request Form](#)
- [Officials Evaluation Form](#)

Program Information for State Tournament.

Teams advancing to the regional tournament must submit following materials to the UIL office by Monday, February 19 (Girls) and Monday, February 26 (Boys). Please include your school name in the subject of your email. This is an important step in providing you with the best possible program. Your assistance in this effort is appreciated.

- Team Information Form (list of players, coaches, etc. and all matches played) – fill out online at [UIL Team Information Form](#).
- Team Picture - 1MB in color, email to pictures@uiltexas.org
- Head Coach Picture (head and shoulder shot) - 1MB, email to pictures@uiltexas.org
- School mascot or school logo - 1MB, email to pictures@uiltexas.org

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Dates. Friday and Saturday, February 23-24 (Girls) and Friday and Saturday, March 2-3 (Boys). Sites for all conferences can be found at [UIL Regional Basketball sites](#).

Officials. Officials for the REGIONAL SEMIFINAL games will be determined by the two competing schools. If the two schools cannot reach an agreement, UIL will make the assignment. If the two teams agree, the home team will submit the officials' request form no later than 9:00am Wednesday, February 21st (Girls) and Wednesday, February 28th (Boys), utilizing the link below. If officials cannot be agreed upon by both teams, the home team will need to include a list of chapters that they prefer not to call the game (scratch list) that is representative of both teams (home and visitor), and the UIL will make assignment.

- [Officials Request Form](#)

For the regional final, the officials will be predetermined by the UIL.

Entry Fees. Fees are determined by each regional director. The League office suggests that fees be kept to a minimum.

Game Time. The regional director will determine the schedule for the regional tournament.

Draw. The brackets online indicate the regional qualifiers and illustrate exact pairings for the regional tournaments.

Housing. Each school is responsible for its own housing.

Entry Forms. Each district representative is responsible for sending team information to the regional director immediately after the district representatives are certified. UIL does not send team information to regional sites.

Security. Adequate security should be provided for all playoff games, whether the game is played at a neutral site or on the home court of one of the teams.

Spirit Buses & Pep Bands. Please contact your regional site if you plan on bringing spirit buses or pep bands to the regional tournament.

Certification of Regional Champions. The Regional Director will certify the State Qualifiers with the UIL. Darryl Beasley and Brandy Belk will contact the winning coach to verify scores and final season record. Please have your scorebooks available if there are questions regarding your season record.

Congratulations on a great season!! If we can be of any assistance, please let us know.