

**Proposed Amendment to the
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation

This amendment to Section 1220, *Baseball Plan* and Section 1280, *Softball Plan* would prohibit playoff games from being scheduled before Thursday unless by mutual consent of the two schools in the contest.

B. Factual and Policy Justifications

Under current rule, playoff games shall not be scheduled before Wednesday of that week unless by mutual consent. This amendment would prohibit playoff games from being scheduled before Thursday without mutual consent of the two schools. Weather delays and pitch count restrictions can lead to one school having a competitive advantage over the other if a coin flip forces a game to be played prior to Thursday.

C. Proposed Recommendation

Section 1220(f)(1) and Section 1280(g)(1) of the UIL *Constitutional and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1220: BASEBALL PLAN

(f) POST-SEASON PLAYOFFS

- (1) *Day of Playoff Game*. Playoffs games shall not be played before ~~Wednesday~~
THURSDAY of that week unless by mutual consent.

Section 1280: SOFTBALL PLAN

(g) POST SEASON PLAYOFFS

- (1) *Day of Playoff Game*. Playoffs games shall not be played before ~~Wednesday~~
THURSDAY of that week unless by mutual consent.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This proposed amendment should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective immediately.