



2025-26

WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP PACKET

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Welcome

On behalf of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and Lewis-Clark State College, congratulations on your qualification to the 2026 Baseball World Series! The event will be held at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho from May 22, 2026 to May 30, 2026. This championship packet will serve as an in-depth guide for the championship.

We look forward to welcoming you to Lewiston and wish you the best of luck!

Mission Statement

The purpose of the NAIA is to promote education and development of students through intercollegiate athletic participation. Member institutions, although varied and diverse, share a common commitment to high standards and the principle that athletics serve as an integral part of education.

The NAIA embraces the concept of the student and recognizes the importance of the individuality of each member institution, the value of the conference and independent structure, and the benefits of membership in a national association. (Additional information relative to the philosophy of the NAIA can be found in the NAIA Official and Policy Handbook.)

About the NAIA

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) was founded in 1940 as the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball (NAIB) to provide small colleges with a championship basketball tournament. In 1952, the organization expanded to include other sports and became the NAIA. The NAIA was a pioneer in college athletics, being the first to offer championships for African-American student-athletes and the first to sponsor a national championship for women's sports in 1980. Today, the NAIA supports smaller colleges and universities, emphasizing character-driven athletics and student-athlete development.

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Schedule of Events

Wednesday, May 20, 2026		
8:00 am – 3:00 pm	Team Practice, Best Testing, Team Photos	Harris Field
4:30 – 5:30 pm	Coaches Meeting	P1FCU Activity Center
5:30 – 7:30 pm	NAIA-ABCA Youth Baseball Clinic	Harris Field
Thursday, May 21, 2026		
10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Champions of Character School Visits	Schools to be communicated to each team
6:00 pm	Opening Banquet	P1FCU Activity Center
Friday, May 22, 2026		
8:30 am	Game 1	Harris Field
11:30 am	Game 2	Harris Field
3:00 pm	Game 3	Harris Field

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6:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies & Parade of Champions	Harris Field
7:00 pm	Game 4	Harris Field
Saturday, May 23, 2026		
11:00 am	Game 5	Harris Field
3:00 pm	Game 6	Harris Field
6:30 pm	Game 7	Harris Field
Monday, May 25, 2026		
11:00 am	Game 8	Harris Field
3:00 pm	Game 9	Harris Field
6:30 pm	Game 10	Harris Field
Tuesday, May 26, 2026		
11:00 am	Game 11	Harris Field
3:00 pm	Game 12	Harris Field
6:30 pm	Game 13	Harris Field
Wednesday, May 27, 2026		
3:00 pm	Game 14	Harris Field
6:30 pm	Game 15	Harris Field
Thursday, May 28, 2026		
3:00 pm	Game 16	Harris Field
6:30 pm	Game 17*	Harris Field
Friday, May 29, 2026		
6:30 pm	Game 18	Harris Field
Saturday, May 30, 2026		
6:30 pm	Game 19 <i>If Necessary</i>	Harris Field

Note – If after Game 17 three teams remain, the team with the most games played receives a bye to Game 19. If there is a tie for games played, the team that won the head-to-head match up in the tournament shall receive a bye to Game 19. If the tie is still not able to be broken, the higher seed shall advance to Game 19.

National Championship Information

The following information will assist you in planning if your team qualifies for the 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship, which begins with the Opening Rounds (May 11-14) at ten different campus sites and concludes with the Avista NAIA Baseball World Series (May 22 – May 30) in Lewiston, Idaho, on the campus of Lewis-Clark State College.

All championship information is available on the NAIA website – in the Baseball Coaches' Corner section – and will be sent to all Baseball head coaches.

Reanne Kietlinski, NAIA Athletics Communications Manager and the NAIA World Series Media Coordinator, will also be sending an email to your Sports Information Director requesting information/materials for your team as potential qualifiers for the NAIA Baseball National Championship. Please make sure to submit your official postseason roster prior to the start of your first conference tournament game.

Qualifier Call

A **mandatory** qualifier administrative conference call will be conducted by the NAIA National Office on **Friday, May 15, 2026 at 2 PM (CT)** for all 10 participating teams, World Series host, and Games Committee members before the World Series to review the standards and expectations for all World Series participants and discuss event logistics.

It is required that each institution's head coach and athletic director or designated administrator, other than a member of the coaching staff, participate in the administrative conference call.

A link to the call will be directly communicated to all World Series qualifying teams.

Team Check In

Team check in will occur at the Wednesday, May 20th Coaches Meeting from 4:30 to 5:30 pm at the P1FCU Activity Center.

Meal Per Diem

Lewis-Clark State College will provide meals (or per diem money) for each participating school's official party beginning on May 21 through the day they are eliminated from the World Series. Teams will be responsible for meals prior to May 21 or if staying more than 24 hours past the day of their elimination.

Lewis-Clark State Assistant Athletic Director Ray Pedrina will distribute the per diem (\$560 per day per team) and explain the procedures at the coaches' meeting.

Honorary Coach Program

Each team will have hosts during its stay in Lewiston serving as Honorary Coaches – These hosts will sit with their team during the Banquet of Champions and also during games. Honorary Coaches will be actively involved and will try to make their team's championship experience an enjoyable one. Honorary coaches will provide a meal on Sunday, May 24, and will work with you on accommodations. **Please remember to bring gifts for your Honorary Coaches (i.e. jersey, jacket, sweatshirt, hat, etc.)**

Practices

Practice fields will be available in the Lewiston area for use prior to and during the World Series. Fields will be available starting on Tuesday, May 19. Early-arriving teams should contact **George Laughlin (307-202-0126 or gelaughlin@lcsc.edu)** regarding practice field availability. Upon qualification, teams will be assigned practice times for Wednesday, May 20 based on their first game at the World Series. Beginning on Thursday, May 21, a member of the Games Committee will be scheduling all practice times.

Bat Testing

All bats used during World Series competition must appear on the NCAA Approved Bat List, pass the barrel ring test and barrel compression testing. Bat testing will occur twice during the 2026 NAIA World Series (Wednesday, May 20 & Monday, May 25)

Bat testing consists of three parts:

1. Visual Inspection of the Bat
2. Ring Test
3. Barrel Compression Test

Bat testing will take place on Wednesday, May 20, prior to the teams' scheduled practice at Harris Field. A coach or team designee must be present during their team's bat testing time. Bats passing testing shall be identified with a tamper proof sticker at the taper area of the bat. Bats that fail any part of the bat testing protocol shall be surrendered to the games committee and be retained for the duration of the World Series or when the team is eliminated.

Bat testing will take place again on Monday, May 25, before or after batting practice. The home team's bat testing will take place following their scheduled batting practice time, and the visiting team's bat testing will take place prior to their scheduled batting practice.

Home/Away Determination

In the first round of the World Series, the home team will be the higher seed. In subsequent games, the home team shall be determined according to the following procedures –

- The institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times shall be designated the home team.
- If the two teams are equal in this respect but unequal in the number of times they were the visitor, then the team that has been the visitor more often will be designated the home team.
- If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the games committee or the committee representative shall observe the following procedures in the order stated –
 - The team that was the visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games.
 - If the two teams have met previously in that particular tournament, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question.
 - If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, a coin flip shall determine the home team. The coin toss will be held on the field immediately after the game that caused the situation to develop and both coaches (or designated team representative) are requested to be in attendance.

Dugout/Uniform Color Determination

The home team shall occupy the third-base dugout, take infield practice first and wear white or light-colored uniforms. The visiting team must wear a uniform of contrasting color. The NAIA Tournament Committee will resolve any conflict in the selection of uniforms. All decisions are final and assignments of uniform color are mandatory.

All teams must bring both home and away uniforms to the field for each game.

Teams waiting to play are expected to stay clear of the dugouts until the teams in the preceding game have had an opportunity to remove their equipment, and teams vacating the dugouts shall be encouraged to depart as soon as possible. The host team should abide by this protocol, regardless of their home dugout or pre-game routines during the regular season.

Inclement Weather Policy

If inclement weather should cause travel delays for any team(s) competing in the World Series, it will be up to the discretion of the NAIA Sport Manager and the Games Committee to make changes to the World Series bracket to accommodate such delays. The NAIA Baseball National Championship Weather Contingency Plan can be found [here](#).

It is the responsibility of the host Medical Director/Athletic Trainer at NAIA Championship events to determine when an event should be suspended and when it is safe to return to play as a result of severe weather. The AT is to notify the NAIA Championship Manager, who, in collaboration with the appropriate personnel (i.e., Games Committee), will implement the predetermined action plan for both player and spectator safety.

Pre-Game Schedule

***NOTE:** *The NAIA Championship Manager and Games Committee have the right to change game order. All changes will be communicated directly to the Head Coach.*

Day 1 – Friday, May 22

55 minutes before Game #1

Minimum of 55 minutes before Game #2 & Game #3

Game 1	Activity	Games 2 & 3
7:35	Field available	55 minutes prior to game time
7:55	Home infield (10 minutes)	35 minutes prior to game time
8:05	Visitor infield (10 minutes)	25 minutes prior to game time
8:15	Field prep (5 minutes)	15 minutes prior to game time
8:20	Intros (come to baseline)	10 minutes prior to game time
8:25	Umpire/coach meeting	5 minutes prior to game time
8:30	Game time	
Game 4	Activity	
10 minutes	Warmup; repair field	
TBD – 6:00pm Approx	Opening ceremonies (includes anthem)	
40 minutes prior to game time	Additional warmup (5 minutes)	
35 minutes prior to game time	Home infield (10 minutes)	
25 minutes prior to game time	Visitor infield (10 minutes)	
15 minutes prior to game time	Field prep (5 minutes)	
10 minutes prior to game time	Intros (come to baseline)	
5 minutes prior to game time	Umpire/Coach meeting	

40 minutes after opening ceremony

Game time

Day 2 – Saturday, May 23

55 minutes before Game #5 & Game #7 (minimum of 55 minutes)

Minimum of 50 minutes before Game #6

Game 5**Activity****Games 6**

10:05	Field available	55 minutes prior to game time
10:25	Home infield (10 minutes)	35 minutes prior to game time
10:40	Visitor infield (10 minutes)	25 minutes prior to game time
10:45	Field prep (5 minutes)	15 minutes prior to game time
10:50	Intros (No baseline)	10 minutes prior (no baseline for Game 2/baseline for #3)
10:55	Umpire/coach meeting	5 minutes prior to game time
11:00	Game time	

Game 7**Activity**

55 minutes prior to game time	Warmup
40 minutes prior to game time	Home infield (10 minutes)
30 minutes prior to game time	Visitor infield (10 minutes)
20 minutes prior to game time	Field prep (5 minutes)
15 minutes prior to game time	Intros (come to baseline)
10 minutes prior to game time	Anthem
5 minutes prior to game time	Umpire/Coach meeting

Day 3 – Monday, May 25

55 minutes before Game #8 and Game #10

Minimum of 50 minutes before Game #9

Game 8**Activity****Games 9**

10:05	Field available	55 minutes prior to game time
10:25	Home infield (10 minutes)	35 minutes prior to game time
10:35	Visitor infield (10 minutes)	25 minutes prior to game time
10:45	Field prep (5 minutes)	15 minutes prior to game time
10:50	Intros (No baseline)	10 minutes prior to game time
10:55	Umpire/coach meeting	5 minutes prior to game time
11:00	Game time	

Game 10**Activity**

55 minutes prior to game time	Warmup; repair field
35 minutes prior to game time	Home infield (10 minutes)
25 minutes prior to game time	Visitor infield (10 minutes)
15 minutes prior to game time	Field prep (5 minutes)
15 minutes prior to game time	Intros (no baseline)
10 minutes prior to game time	Anthem
5 minutes prior to game time	Umpire/Coach meeting

Day 4 – Tuesday, May 26

55 minutes before Game #11 & Game #13

Minimum of 50 minutes before Game #12

Game 11 Activity**Game 12**

10:05	Field available	55 minutes prior to game time
10:25	Home infield (10 minutes)	35 minutes prior to game time
10:35	Visitor infield (10 minutes)	25 minutes prior to game time
10:45	Field prep (5 minutes)	15 minutes prior to game time
10:50	Intros (no baseline)	10 minutes prior to game time
10:55	Umpire/coach meeting	5 minutes prior to game time

11:00 Game time

Game 13

Activity

55 minutes prior to game time

Warmup; repair field

35 minutes prior to game time

Home infield (10 minutes)

25 minutes prior to game time

Visitor infield (10 minutes)

15 minutes prior to game time

Field prep (5 minutes)

15 minutes prior to game time

Intros (No baseline)

10 minutes prior to game time

Anthem

5 minutes prior to game time

Umpire/Coach meeting

Day 5 – Wednesday, May 27

55 minutes before Game #14

Minimum of 55 minutes before Game #15

Game 14 Activity

2:05 Field available

2:25 Home infield (10 minutes)

2:35 Visitor infield (10 minutes)

2:45 Field prep (5 minutes)

2:50 Intros (no baseline)

2:55 Umpire/coach meeting

3:00 Game time

Game 15

Activity

55 minutes prior to game time

Warmup/Repair Field

35 minutes prior to game time

Home infield (10 minutes)

25 minutes prior to game time

Visitor infield (10 minutes)

15 minutes prior to game time

Field prep (5 minutes)

15 minutes prior to game time	Intros (no baseline)
10 minutes prior to game time	Anthem
5 minutes prior to game time	Umpire/Coach meeting

Day 6 – Thursday, May 28

55 minutes before Game #16

Minimum of 55 minutes between end of Awards Ceremony & Game #17

Game 16 Activity

2:05	Field available
2:25	Home infield (10 minutes)
2:35	Visitor infield (10 minutes)
2:45	Field prep (5 minutes)
2:50	Intros (no baseline)
2:55	Umpire/coach meeting
3:00	Game time

Game 17**Activity**

55 minutes prior to game time	Warmup/Repair Field
35 minutes prior to game time	Home infield (10 minutes)
25 minutes prior to game time	Visitor infield (10 minutes)
15 minutes prior to game time	Field prep (5 minutes)
15 minutes prior to game time	Intros (no baseline)
10 minutes prior to game time	Anthem
5 minutes prior to game time	Umpire/Coach meeting

Day 7 (If Championship Game) & Day 8 – Friday, May 29 & Saturday, May 30

Time	Activity
5:30	Field available
5:40	Home infield (10 minutes)
6:00	Visitor infield (10 minutes)
6:10	Field prep (5 minutes)
6:15	Intros – Non-starters first (come out to baseline)
6:20	Anthems
6:25	Umpire/coach meeting
6:30	Game time

Player Introductions/Starting Lineups

After team warm-ups, for each team's first game and the championship game(s) of the World Series, the following protocol will be used for team introductions with teams lining up in numerical order of their respective baselines.

Teams will be introduced in the following order:

- Visiting Team – Non-starters; Starting Lineup; Coaches, Managers and/or Team Staff
- Home Team – Non-starters; Starting Lineup; Coaches, Managers and/or Team Staff
- Game Umpires – Introduced after the home team introductions

Game Umpires

The NAIA has secured eight umpires to work the World Series in Lewiston. Michael Thomas serves as the National Coordinator of Umpires.

Games played Friday, May 22, through Wednesday, May 27, will have four umpire crews, and games starting Thursday, May 28, through the Championship game will have six umpire crews. All games will utilize video replay review.

Coaches, players, and other official party team personnel should avoid fraternizing or socializing with the umpires throughout the World Series.

Insurance

The NAIA provides catastrophic coverage during the time of competition for all students participating in NAIA National Championship events.

Each institution shall be required to furnish its own accident, medical, life and travel insurance for its student-athletes for the entire regular-season and postseason.

Student-Athlete Experience Event

Banquet of Champions

The opening banquet will be held on Thursday, May 21 at 6:00 PM (PT) at the P1FCU Activity Center. Please make plans to arrive by 5:45 PM. Attendance is required for all teams and coaches. Attire is business casual or team-issued polo.

The official party will receive complimentary tickets to these events. Additional tickets will be available for purchase by contacting Lewis-Clark State External Operations Coordinator, Blake Harris, at bcharris@lcsc.edu.

Opening Ceremonies

The World Series Opening Ceremonies will take place at Harris Field on **Friday, May 22**. Teams should arrive at the field no later than 5:30 PM. The ceremony will begin at approximately 6:00 PM. **Attendance and participation is required of all teams.**

Teaming Up for Character

NAIA-ABCA Youth Baseball Clinic

The NAIA-ABCA Youth Baseball Clinic will be held on Wednesday, May 20th at 5:30 PM at Harris Field.

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the youth clinic. All teams are asked to supply a minimum of five players and one coach to assist in the NAIA-ABCA Youth Baseball Clinic. The clinic will be held for children ages 5-12 and will last approximately two hours.

Champions of Character Program

World Series participating teams will once again take part in the Champions of Character elementary school community outreach program on Thursday, May 21. The student-athletes will meet with elementary school students and participate in designated Teaming Up For Character Events.

Coaches Meeting

All participating head coaches are required to attend a pre-championship meeting at **4:30 PM (PST)** on **Wednesday, May 20** at the P1FCU Activity Center. **Attendance by participating head coaches is mandatory.**

The NAIA Games Committee will conduct a meeting with the head coaches of each participating team prior to their first game and may conduct daily meetings in subsequent days, if necessary. Attendance is mandatory for head coaches at any pre-game meeting.

All meetings will be held in a pre-determined location at times announced by the NAIA Games Committee.

Qualification Process

The NAIA World Series is a 10-team, double-elimination format played in six or seven days featuring ten Opening Round winners. The 46-team National Championship is seeded based on the final rating of all teams by the NAIA Baseball Selection Committee.

Coaches may wish to review the following items pertaining to policies, rules and regulations for the conduct of the National Championship. Official NCAA Baseball Rules (with approved NAIA-Baseball Coaches Association modifications) shall be used for all NAIA postseason games (including the Opening Round and World Series). More detailed information can be found in the 2026 NAIA Baseball Coaches' Manual –

- 2025 NAIA Baseball Playing Rule Modifications
- 10-Run Rule
- Suspended games
- Pre-game warm-up
- Tournament protests
- Tournament behavior by coaches and players
- Tobacco/Alcohol Policy – Zero-tolerance policy
- Determination of home team/visiting team
- Dugouts and uniform colors

Sport Rules

NAIA Baseball will use NCAA Baseball Rules with approved NAIA modifications. These rules will be applied to all contests (preseason, regular-season and postseason) when both institutions are members of the NAIA. Rules defined as experimental by the official NCAA Rules and Regulations Handbook are prohibited from use in National Championship (both Opening Round and World Series) play.

Tournament/Championship Format

The 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship consists of a field of 46 teams. The 46 teams will play in ten National Championship Opening Round sites (five or four-team brackets). Winners of each National Championship Opening Round site advance to the Avista-NAIA World Series at Harris Field in Lewiston, Idaho, for a 10-team World Series field. All competitions (both Opening Round and World Series) will be a double-elimination format.

Bracket Information

The Avista NAIA World Series bracket will be seeded from No. 1 to No. 10 and will include the ten National Championship Opening Round winners. Seeds will not be adjusted (re-seeded) between the Opening Rounds and the World Series. Teams will be placed according to their seed as determined by the Baseball Selection Committee on May 6.

If, after Game 17, three teams remain, the team with the most games played receives a bye to Game 19. If there is a tie for games played, the team that won the head-to-head match-up in the tournament shall receive a bye to Game 19. If the tie is still not able to be broken, the higher seed shall advance to Game 19.

If the team from the winner's bracket wins on Thursday, there will be two teams remaining, and the National Championship game will be played on Friday, May 29. A second championship game, if needed, will be played Saturday, May 30. If needed, it may be necessary for a team to play two games in one day in order to complete the tournament.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to revise the schedule (i.e., game times) in the event of weather conditions and/or other circumstances that may require such changes.

Sunday Play Policy

As a matter of NAIA policy, no Sunday games are scheduled during National Championship play. If weather-related delays or other situations develop, Sunday competition **MAY** be permitted – provided all competing institutions agree.

If a participating team(s) has a policy prohibiting Sunday competition, the schedule will be adjusted by the Host Championship Director, in consultation with the NAIA Baseball Championship Manager and the Games Committee. If a game is rescheduled for Sunday, it may not begin prior to 12 PM local time.

Substance Abuse and Tobacco Policy

The passages below list the NCAA Tobacco Rule (as written in the [2025 and 2026 NCAA Baseball Rules Book](#)), the NAIA Baseball Tobacco Policy (as written in the NAIA Baseball Coaches' Manual) and the NAIA Tobacco Policy (as written in the NAIA Policy Manual).

2025-26 NCAA Baseball Tobacco Rule

SECTION 11 – The use of all tobacco products by student-athletes and game personnel (e.g., coaches, umpires, athletic trainers, managers) is prohibited at the site of the game competition.

PENALTY – Disqualification of the offending individual and head coach for the remainder of the contest. Team personnel other than the head coach will also serve a one-game suspension. Umpires are instructed to take a zero tolerance policy in this area. The umpires' jurisdiction begins with regard to this rule upon their arrival on the field or dugout in uniform.

Umpires who use tobacco before, during or after a game in the vicinity of the site shall be reported to and punished by the proper disciplinary authority.

NAIA Substance Abuse/Tobacco Policy

All tobacco products are prohibited, including cigarettes, snuff and chewing tobacco. The NCAA zero tolerance policy (page 43) will be applied for all NAIA games and the NAIA ejection/suspension policy will also be applied for athletes/coaches/personnel who are ejected for violating the tobacco rule. Enforcement of this rule will lie with the game umpires and those people noted in the NAIA Substance Abuse Policy document. No alcoholic beverages in any form shall be allowed to be sold, dispersed or consumed under any circumstances.

Substance Abuse Policy on Postseason Competition

Any NAIA student suspended for substance abuse by a national or international sports governing body, or by any amateur sports governing body, shall not be allowed to participate in any NAIA-approved postseason competition during the imposed period of suspension.

Alcohol and Tobacco Products

The use of alcohol, tobacco or tobacco products is not permitted by participants, coaches, cheerleaders, trainers, game administrators or officials in the playing areas during all NAIA-sanctioned competition and practices for such competition. The institution's coaching staff, event games committee, sport manager or host site coordinator (as applicable) shall enforce this policy through the following steps.

1. On the first offense, the individual(s) and entire team shall receive an official warning.
2. A second offense will cause expulsion from the practice, game, tournament or event.

Member institutions are strongly encouraged to adopt this policy for all regular season practice and competition.

PLEASE NOTE

1. One tobacco warning is given to all coaches at the Pre-Tournament Coaches' Meeting the NAIA Baseball World Series.
2. Disqualification from a game for violation of the tobacco rule is an ejection.
3. A disqualification for violation of the tobacco rule results in an ejection and an additional one-game suspension (for a first-time ejection). The Head Coach will also be subject to a one-game suspension (for a first-time ejection). If this is the second ejection for a student-athlete, coach or other staff member, they must serve a two-game suspension.
4. The Games Committee/Umpires share equal responsibilities in the enforcement of the tobacco rule.

Suspended Game

Any game that is suspended (including tie games) shall be continued from the point of suspension – at a time designated by the Tournament Games Committee. All games shall be nine innings. Conference tournaments can petition the NAC to play seven-inning games in their conference qualifying tournaments.

10-Run Rule

There will be a 10-run rule for all postseason play, except the championship game(s). The postseason game must be stopped only after seven innings if one team is ahead by at least 10 runs. Each team must play an equal number of innings unless shortened because the home team needs none or only part of its half of the final inning.

Post-Season Video Policy

Taken from the [2025 & 2026 NCAA Baseball Rules Book](#) (5-16 Electronic Devices, pages 62-63)

Non-uniformed team personnel may sit in the stands for the purpose of charting pitches, using radar guns or videotaping a contest. Games and individuals shall not be videotaped from the team's dugout. Any information shall not be transmitted to the playing field or to team personnel. A team may film or videotape its own game but not games involving other teams.

The use of manned video cameras is restricted to the area behind home plate – defined as that area from the outfield cutout behind first base to the outfield cutout behind third base. Filming from beyond this area toward the outfield or any point beyond the outfield fence or wall is not permitted – with the exception of television cameras for the broadcast of a game, including internet broadcasts and video boards. Monitors for viewing live or taped video during a game are prohibited from the dugout or bench area, and all adjacent areas (i.e., athletic training rooms, locker rooms, etc.).

Note 1 – *Video and communication equipment used to transmit information between coaches, coaches and players, scouts or other team personnel shall not be allowed for intercollegiate competition. Video or electronic data used for scouting, training or teaching purposes may be recorded from any unmanned camera location. No video or electronic data may be transmitted from manned or unmanned sources for scouting, training or coaching purposes during the contest. An exclusively one-way electronic communication device from the dugout, the coaches' boxes, or a position player on the field for the purpose of relaying the pitch or play call is permitted. The use of an in-ear communication device shall be limited to the defensive position of the catcher. The use of any other devices (such as video monitors, laptops, tablets, iPads, cell phones, binoculars, smart watches, etc.) that are able to collect, send or receive data, messages or video are not permitted during the game.*

Note 2 – *The use of telephones, cellular phones, walkie-talkies, etc., is permitted for two-way communication between a team's dugout or bench and bullpen.*

Note 3 – *Televisions and any live broadcast (e.g., Internet streaming) shall be turned off in the dugout and clubhouse during a game.*

Note 4 – *In-stadium pitch-speed monitors may be used in all games.*

PENALTY—*The violator(s) and the head coach shall be ejected from the contest for unsportsmanlike conduct*

Harris Field Ground Rules

1. A thrown ball that gets lodged in or behind the padding behind home plate is dead.
2. A thrown ball can rest on top of the padding behind home plate. The ball is live and in play. A batted ball that touches the backstop netting is dead.
3. If a ball gets through the netting behind home plate, the ball is dead.
4. The ball is dead if it gets through a gap at either end of the backstop netting by the support poles.
5. The support poles of the backstop netting near the camera wells are out of play. Any live ball that touches both net and support pole is immediately dead.
6. The camera wells at the home plate end of both dugouts are out of play. A demarcation line will define the out of play area. If a ball enters this area, the ball is dead.
7. The concrete lip and top step of the dugout is live. The netting and padding on the face of the dugout is live, but anything that penetrates the inside of the dugout is a dead ball area.
8. All game personnel – with the exception of one on-deck batter and all playing equipment – must be kept inside the dugout at all times.
9. The steel fence post and fencing along the ends of the dugout are live.
10. All gates (at ends of the dugouts and down the right field line) must remain closed during play.
11. Any live ball that lodges in the banners affixed to the fences along each foul line will be ruled dead.
12. Tarp

- a. Live balls that go behind, into the tube or break the demarcation line at either end of the tarp will be ruled as a dead ball.
- b. A player may not climb or stand on the tarp to extend the playing field. It is permissible to lean against the tarp. It is not permissible to stand on or kneel on the tarp to make a play.

14. Outfield Fence

- a. Any fair-batted ball hit above the yellow line on the outfield fence is a home run. Therefore, any ball hitting the second row of signs above this fence, the scoreboard (including the protruding net), message center, etc., is a home run.
- b. Any fair bounding ball that hits above the yellow line on the outfield fence is immediately dead and ruled a double. Therefore, any bounding ball hitting the second row of signs above this fence, the scoreboard (including the protruding metal catwalk/stand), message center, etc., is a dead ball and ruled a double.
- c. Please note there is no screen on the left field foul pole.

15. Any fair-batted ball or thrown ball that breaks the demarcation line in the opening of the fence down the right field line is dead.

Post-Championship

Awards

The NAIA maintains a standardized awards program for all National Championship events which includes the following for the Baseball World Series –

Official NAIA team awards will be presented to the top four team finishers. Each of the top four team finishers will also receive 32 individual plaques. There will be one NAIA Champions of Character individual award winner from each of the 46 participating teams. From the 10 Champions of Character award winners that advance to the Avista-NAIA World Series, the Hank Burbridge Champion of Character Player Award winner will be selected by the Games Committee.

- Trophies are presented to the outstanding fielder (Golden Glove Award) and the individual participant at the NAIA World Series who displays enthusiastic play (Charles Berry Hustle Award).
- The National Championship team will receive the traditional NAIA red championship banner.
- Members of the media and Games Committee will select a 16-member All-Tournament Team and a Most Valuable Player with plaques awarded to honorees.

- Additional individual awards for members of the top four teams may be ordered and paid for by the institution by contacting –
Collegiate Awards

1801 E. Trafficway Street
Springfield, MO 65802
(417) 873-9280

Championship Satisfaction Survey

During NAIA Championships, NAIA membership and student-athlete experience is of the utmost importance. The NAIA National Office and Championship Hosts dedicate themselves to planning the best experiences for all involved. The NAIA is committed to providing the best experience possible for its members and student-athletes and are able to provide feedback based on their experience and what improvements can be made for future NAIA Championships.

[NAIA National Championship Early Round Satisfaction Survey](#)

[NAIA National Championship Satisfaction Survey](#)

Following the championship, coaches and administrators will receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to forward the survey to student-athletes. Additionally, this survey will be accessible via a QR code found on the back of the NAIA-issues championship credentials.

Tournament Deadlines

Submission Deadlines

Rosters

World Series roster should be identified in NAIA Connect by Friday, May 15 at 5:00 pm CST.

Team Photo

Please upload your team photo by Friday, May 15 at 5:00 pm CST to be included in the National Championship Program.

[Click HERE to upload](#)

Equipment

Official Baseball

The Rawlings FSR100-NAIA is the official baseball of the NAIA and is the only ball to be used in all NAIA National Championship competition.

Bat Testing

All bats used during World Series competition must appear on the [NCAA Approved Bat List](#), [pass the barrel ring test and barrel compression testing](#). Bat testing will occur twice during the 2026 NAIA World Series (Wednesday, May 20 & Monday, May 25).

Bat testing consists of three parts:

1. Visual Inspection of the Bat
2. Ring Test
3. Barrel Compression Test

Bat testing will take place on Wednesday, May 20 prior to teams' scheduled practice at Harris Field. A coach or team designee must be present during their teams bat testing time. Bats passing testing shall be identified with a tamper proof sticker at the taper area of the bat. Bats that fail any part of the bat testing protocol shall be surrendered to the games committee and be retained for the duration of the World Series or when the team is eliminated.

Bat testing will take place again on Monday, May 25 before or after batting practice. The home team's bat testing will take place following to their scheduled batting practice time and the visiting team's bat test will take place prior to their scheduled batting practice.

Video Replay Review

Video replay review will be utilized in all games and reviews will take place field side by two on-field umpires. Each head coach is permitted two challenges per game. All types of reviewable plays require a head coach's challenge except for a potential home run and malicious contact which can be reviewed at any time. A Crew Chief (or video review official's) review is allowed at their discretion during the last two innings of regulation and any extra innings, if the affected team is out of challenges. All video replay review rules and guidelines are outlined in Appendix E of the NCAA Baseball Rules.

Venue Information

Official Team Entrance

Team Entrance will be across from the Auxiliary Gym entrance down the right fence line.

Ticketing Information

[Buy Tickets | Avista NAIA World Series](#)

Visitors Guide | Know Before You Go

Information link for fans and spectators at Harris Field: [Know Before You Go | Avista NAIA World Series](#)

Games Committee

The Games Committee (officers of the NAIA-Baseball Coaches Association) will serve as the competing teams' liaison for the duration of the World Series in Lewiston. A member of the Games Committee will be assigned to each team to answer any championship-related questions or attend to any championship-related problems.

The role of the Games Committee is listed in the NAIA Baseball Coaches' Manual. If any of the current committee members advance to the World Series, a replacement Games Committee member will be assigned.

Team Travel & Information

Air and Ground Transportation

Participating teams are responsible for any transportation expenses incurred when traveling to and from campus to the NAIA Baseball World Series.

Participating teams are responsible to make all travel arrangements, including the payment of air travel to your designated Opening Round site and to the NAIA Baseball World Series if your team wins the Opening Round.

The Official Travel partner of the NAIA is Short's Travel Management. Please contact Short's Travel (816-323-6405) to book your travel arrangements.

Traveling teams are no longer required to receive a quote from Short's Travel to be eligible for postseason reimbursement.

Lewis-Clark State College has partnered with Northwestern Stage Lines to provide bus transportation for all teams flying into Spokane. Northwestern Stage Lines will provide round-trip charter bus travel for teams when they land in Spokane and return travel from Lewiston to Spokane after elimination from the World Series. **Please contact Desserae Cram at 1-800-356-9796 ext. 6125** upon qualification for the World Series should you need ground transportation from Spokane to Lewiston. Teams have the option to take 15-passenger vans from Spokane and should contact local travel companies.

Northwestern Stage Lines

Contact Name: Desserae Cram

Contact email: desserae.cram@busnws.com

Charter Sales Specialist

O: 800-356-9796 ext 6125

F: 208-996-2051

Customer Service: 1-800-356-9796 Opt 1

Charter After Hours Emergencies: 1-800-356-9796 Ext 6500

To arrange vans upon arrival in Spokane, please contact –

Avis Spokane Airport

9000 W. Airport Drive

Spokane, WA 99224

Michael Elliott

Mike.Elliott@avisbudget.com

O : 509-838-8672 C : 509-714-0778

Once teams arrive in Lewiston, teams can contact Enterprise Lewiston for vans.

Enterprise Lewiston

224 Thain Road

Lewiston, ID 83501

Rhiana Fox

rhiana.j.fox@ehi.com

208.746.2878

Vans are limited to first-come, first-serve basis and teams should have a credit card or PO for the charter bus or vans. All drivers of provided vehicles must be 25 years of age, and have a valid driver's license and proof of insurance. No additional transportation will be provided for those teams coming to Lewiston by commercial bus or institutional van, wagon, car, mini-bus, etc.

NAIA Travel Policy

Travel and lodging reimbursement to member institutions participating in postseason events is not guaranteed by the NAIA for any event. All transportation and housing expenses incurred to attend an NAIA Opening Round shall be the financial responsibility of the institution. Reimbursement will be generated from Opening Round bid guarantees minus expenses and will be approved by the NAIA Council of Presidents following the completion of all winter sport National Championships.

Traveling teams will be responsible for a minimum of their travel/housing expenses, determined by the NAIA COP, prior to being eligible for expense reimbursement. The traveling team will receive and pay the transportation bill (ground and/or air) and housing bills incurred to and from, and while at the Opening Round site. Exceptions will not be made to these policies unless approved in advance in writing by the NAIA President & CEO.

Team Travel Expense Report

Within 15 days after participating in the NAIA World Series, the traveling team shall submit the Traveling Team Expense Report Form, including receipts, to the NAIA National Office. Submitting incomplete or late expense reports may jeopardize the institution's eligibility for reimbursement.

Hotels

Team Hotels

All participating teams will be assigned to a hotel based on each Opening Round site and must stay at that property for the duration of the World Series. A team representative should contact the assigned hotel property no later than Friday, May 15, and provide a rooming list, date/time of arrival and a method of payment for all hotel charges.

A room block of 17 double/double hotel rooms will be reserved on behalf of each participating team, however, each participating team is financially responsible for the cost of the rooms (as well as all other travel expenses and meals). If traveling teams need

hotel rooms in addition to the room block provided by the host, traveling teams will be responsible for requesting and securing those needs.

All traveling teams must stay at the designated hotel or assigned property for the duration of their stay at the NAIA Baseball World Series to be eligible for possible reimbursement.

Hotel Assignments

Opening Round Bracket

Bellevue

Kingsport

Lakeland

Lawrenceville

Lewiston

Lincoln

Salina

Shreveport

Upland

Williamsburg

Hotel

Best Western Plus Hells Canyon Clarkston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

Holiday Inn Express Lewiston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

RiverTree Inn Clarkston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

Hampton Inn Lewiston

Hells Canyon Grand Lewiston

Best Western – Clarkston

1395 Bridge Street

Clarkston, WA 99403

Phone – 509.295.8215

Contact: Kimberly Cznowski

Email: sales@hellscanyoninn.net

Hells Canyon Grand

621 21st Street

Lewiston, ID 83501

Phone – 208.748.1057

Contact: Sarah Brown

Email: sbrown@hcgrandhotel.com

Hampton Inn

2701 Nez Perce Drive

Lewiston, ID 83501

Holiday Inn Express

2425 Nez Perce Drive

Lewiston, ID 83501

Phone – 208.750.7554

Contact: Tabitha Pratt

Email: tabithap@nwxsouthern.com

Phone – 208.750.7554

Contact: Tabitha Pratt

Email: tabithap@nwxsouthern.com

RiverTree Inn

1257 Bridge Street

Clarkston, WA 83501

Phone - 509.295-8215

Contact: Kimberly Cznowski

Email: sales@hellscanyoninn.net

Medical

Each team is allowed up to two athletic training/medical personnel on the team sideline. One of which must be an ATC, MD, or DO. A licensed health care provider's license information/number must be submitted in the application in order to receive any medical/athletic training credentials for your team. Applications will close 72 hours before the event starts. Medical personnel credentials can be picked up during team check-in/registration only with a photo ID. Please apply here for medical personnel credential: [LINK](#)

Athletic Training

Certified Athletic Trainers will be coordinating the Athletic Training facilities at Harris Field. The head trainers for the World Series are **Taryn Cadez-Schmidt** (tlcadezschmidt@lcsc.edu). The LC State College Athletic Training room phone number is **208-791-6327**.

A training room area will be available in the P1FCU Activity Center next to Harris Field. Ice and water will be made available in both team dugouts.

Medical doctors and an ambulance will be on-call should their services be needed.

Drug Testing

NAIA drug testing is a possibility at any and all NAIA Championships. However, as a best practice, the NAIA will not announce whether drug testing will occur at any specific

venue. Although knowing prior to competition if NAIA drug testing was to occur has value for reasons of convenience, it leaves open the possibility that student-athletes might be tempted to use banned substances if they knew that NAIA testing was not being conducted at the site of competition.

Each academic year all eligible NAIA student-athletes must sign a Consent Form in which he or she consents to be tested for the use of drugs prohibited by the NAIA Banned Substance List to participate in any NAIA National Championship competitions ([Consent Form](#)). This Consent Form shall be administered and kept by each individual institution.

Each institution will be responsible for verifying a signed consent form is on file for each participating student-athlete on the official postseason roster form. By providing a signed roster form at check-in, each institution is officially verifying that all student-athletes on the postseason roster have completed a drug testing consent form and are thus eligible to participate in postseason competition.

Local Hospitals

St. Joseph Regional Medical Center

415 6th Street, Lewiston, ID

Tri-State Memorial Hospital

1522 17th Street, Lewiston, ID

Catalyst Medical Group-Valley Medical Center

2315 8th Street, Lewiston, ID

Local Pharmacies

Owl Pharmacy

720 16th Avenue, Lewiston, ID

Costco Pharmacy

301 5th Street, Clarkston, WA

Walgreens Pharmacy

2102 Nez Pearce Dr, Lewiston, ID

Credentials

Team Credentials

Each team will receive a maximum number of 35 credentials. Up to 28 for student-athletes, up to five for team personnel staff, and two athletic trainers. They will be handed out at team check-in. All credentials will be issued based on the information provided on the official party roster.

No extra credentials will be provided on-site.

Media Credentials

All SIDs/Media personnel will need to apply for a credential for the final site. Applications will close 72 hours before the event starts. Media Credentials can be picked up at team check-in or by contacting the host media coordinator if arriving outside of the check-in window, only with a phone ID. Media credentials will NOT be included in the team packets at coaches pick up.

Please apply here for SID, Photographer, and Media credentials: [LINK](#)

Coach Hospitality (if applicable)

Located in the dance studio in the Activity Center West.

Official Roster

Submission Process

Official Postseason Roster forms will now be filled out via NAIA Connect (<https://www.naiiaconnect.org/s/login/>) and sent to the NAIA National Office. If you do not have a login account, please contact naiiaconnectsupport@naia.org. Once you login, please follow these [instructions](#).

Postseason rosters (and ejection disclosures) will be processed electronically and the administrator completing the roster will sign electronically. Postseason rosters no longer need to be sent to the NAIA National Office.

If you have trouble with the online roster form, please contact **Reanne Kietlinski** (rkietlinski@naia.org) of the NAIA Athletics Communications Department. For any other general questions related to the official postseason rosters, please contact the NAIA Championship Sport Manager.

The list of up to 28 eligible players (Official Postseason Roster and Entry Form) must be submitted at the time of the institution's selection into NAIA postseason play. Only players on the official postseason roster may be in uniform. If a team is discovered using a player not on the official postseason roster at any time during the postseason tournament, that team will be immediately disqualified from further postseason play that year. From the point of first infraction by a team using a player not on the official postseason roster, all subsequent games shall be forfeited by the offending team.

The initial list of official party members and 28 eligible players for the World Series **MUST** be submitted by **Monday, May 18, 2026 by 12 PM (CT)** through NAIA Connect (<https://www.naiacconnect.org/s/login/>)

A copy of this roster **MUST** be hand-carried to the site of the Conference postseason tournament site and National Championship (both Opening Rounds and Final Site), and presented to the NAIA Site Supervisor (for Opening Rounds), and the NAIA Tournament Committee (for the National Championship Final Site) prior to that institution's participation in the tournament.

The deadline for certifying the official roster of 28 players is 30 minutes prior to the first game of the World Series.

A player may be replaced on the official roster between the conference tournament and the NAIA Baseball Championship Opening Round, as well as between the NAIA Baseball Championship Opening Round and the NAIA World Series by any eligible player whose name is included on the NAIA Official Eligibility Form for the current season. Again, the coach will need to hand-carry a copy of the eligibility form to each tournament if a roster change is necessary.

For Unaffiliated Group qualifying tournament plans that call for preliminary competition between conference teams, roster changes cannot be made once this preliminary competition begins. Unaffiliated group tournaments will follow the same roster change policies used for conference tournaments.

Once the World Series begins, no player may play who is not included on the official roster.

Official Party Size

The official party is made up of Participants, defined as student-athletes, coaches, managers, athletic trainers and any staff member who travels with a competing team.

The official party for each team participating in the 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship Opening Round or World Series competition for Baseball is **35 individuals**, which includes – **28 student-athletes** in uniform, **five additional**

personnel (coaches, managers, additional student-athletes not in uniform, etc.), and **two athletic trainers**.

Administrator Personnel

All Presidents and Athletic Directors from qualifying teams will each receive two credentials. These credentials can be picked up at the box office. All other administrators will receive free admission with their NAIA membership card when presented at the box office.

Programs and Merchandise

Program

A printed version of the program will be provided to each team. Additional copies will be available for purchase.

Fine Designs

Official NAIA National Championship merchandise is provided exclusively by Fine Designs with an expansive list of items and customization options. Participating teams can order merchandise on-site or directly from Fine Designs prior to the national championship. Please see below for details on both options:

1. **Order and Pay Onsite:** A team order can be placed on-site via a team order form and working directly with a Fine Designs rep. Payments can be made by credit/debit card or cash. Merchandise will be provided on-site. Team order forms will be provided on-site at the national championship and can be accessed by visiting: Onsite Team Order Form. The Team order form must be submitted on-site and is not able to be submitted prior to the event
2. **Order Direct:** Fine Designs can be contacted via email or phone to place a custom order for merchandise prior to the invitational. The order can be paid by check or directly by the college. Merchandise will be shipped to the address and shipping method selected by the college. Contact Information for Fine Designs to place an order is below. Direct orders are not able to be shipped to the invitational site and will not be available for pick-up at the merchandise booth.

For any Fine Designs customer service inquiries, please contact:

Inna Kasaev, Fine Designs

inna@fdkyteam.com

(859) 241-1265

Media Relations

Individual Photos

All 10 teams are required to take individual photos for media purposes. All team members should be in full uniform. Individual photos can be scheduled by contacting the host SID/Media Coordinator, Alisha Alexander.

NAIA Sport Page

The official 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship website can be found by visiting: <https://www.naia.org/sports/bsb/index>

The official national championship website contains the tournament schedule and results, game box scores, official bracket, photo galleries, historical archives, ticketing information, and more.

Social Media

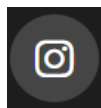
Follow the NAIA on social media for the most up-to-date information surrounding the NAIA Baseball National Championship. Please use the hashtags “#NAIABaseball” & “#BattleForTheRedBanner” for all X(Twitter), Facebook, Instagram content around the event and tag the NAIA.



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Championship Results

The 2026 Baseball National Championship official live statistics and box scores will be available by visiting:

For questions regarding official live statistics or box scores, please contact:

Reanne Kietlinski

Athletic Communications Manager

rkietlinski@naia.org

Championship Photo and Video Requests

All media parties requesting access to photos from the 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship should contact Spencer Farrin, safarrin@gmail.com. Spencer Farrin will

be the official photographer for the national championship. Please contact us directly to order championship photos.

Requests for video highlights should be directed to Reanne Kietlinski (rkietlinski@naia.org) of the NAIA Athletics Communications Department.

Marketing Resources

[Championship Logos](#)

[NAIA School Logos Shared File](#)

Radio and TV Broadcasting Policies

The NAIA owns the rights to all championship streaming. No additional live streams outside of the official stream produced by the NAIA will be allowed.

The 2026 NAIA Baseball National Championship stream will be accessible through the Urban Edge Network: <https://watch.urbanedgenetwork.net/page/naia>

On demand video will be available on the NAIA Network: <https://naianetwork.com/> following the championship.

NAIA Sportsmanship and Code of Conduct Policy

Ejections

An ejection is an action enforced in conjunction with competition by a game umpire consistent with the playing rules in that sport. Ejections are not subject to appeal. Some sport rules allow protests through an official process outlined in each sport rule book.

Ejection reports must be completed by the NAIA game umpire ejecting a student-athlete or coach and the Athletic Director of the ejected student-athlete or coach. The form must be submitted to the NAIA within 48 hours after the completion of the contest.

[Ejection Report Form](#)

In the NAIA, any ejection in any sport carries a mandatory suspension of at least one game (see NAIA Bylaws Article VI, Section B, Item 7). In addition, the specific sport itself may also carry a suspension, as determined by rules of competition for that sport. If both an NAIA and sport rule suspension apply, the two suspensions run concurrently.

Baseball Sport Rule – A suspended person must follow the same penalties as those in an ejection (removed from sight and sound of contest). Additionally, a suspended person cannot –

Be dressed in game uniform; Communicate with any team personnel or umpires; Take part in any pre-game activities at the site of competition; Or be in the stadium or on the field once pre-game activities have started.

Procedures for enforcing penalties are as follows – After an ejection or suspension, the offending party must leave the field and dugout area immediately and is not allowed to communicate with team members or umpires. Suspended personnel shall not be in uniform, allowed in any team area or perform any team duty while serving their suspension. It is the responsibility of the institution's head coach and Athletics Director to administer and enforce the suspension penalty. If a suspended student-athlete or coach is found to have participated in a game during the prescribed suspension, the game will be forfeited by the offending team.

If a suspension is mandated by an NAIA bylaw it may be appealed starting with the Conference Commissioner. An institution must submit an appeal to their conference within 72 hours of the completion of contest. The conference will submit a recommendation to the NAIA within 72 hours of receiving the appeal from the institution. The Conduct and Ethics Committee is responsible for all appeals related to suspensions due to ejections of a coach and/or student-athlete.

Once an appeal with appropriate signatures has been submitted to the conference, the student-athlete/coach may continue to participate through the appeal process. If the appeal is not approved, then the student-athlete/coach must sit out of the next scheduled contest(s).

A suspended person cannot be in the competition venue the day of the contest or communicate with any team personnel or game umpires the day of the contest. The student-athlete/coach will be normally removed from the venue during a suspension. However, the game manager will use their best discretion on what is appropriate to risk management procedures regarding their venue.

Once an appeal with appropriate signatures has been submitted to the conference, the student-athlete/coach may continue to participate through the appeal process. If the appeal is not approved, then the student-athlete/coach must sit out of the next scheduled contest(s).

