

2021

**South Dakota American Legion
Baseball Policy Manual**



**THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA
ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

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POINT OF EMPHASIS

American Legion Baseball adopts the philosophy and principles of the MLB/USA Baseball Pitch Smart initiative of practical, age-appropriate guidelines to educate parents, players and coaches to avoid overuse injuries and foster long, healthy careers for youth pitchers. National tournaments under the supervision of the National Americanism Commission will follow the appropriate pitching guidelines outlined by Pitch Smart and American Legion Baseball tournament policies adopted by the National Americanism Commission. Learn more online at www.m.mlb.com/pitchsmart/pitching-guidelines.

RESOLUTION 16

TO: Participants, Coaches, Umpires, Staff and Volunteers of SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION (SDAL) youth programs;

The South Dakota American Legion at its Executive meeting, held on February 10, 2017 in Oacoma, SD, adopted Resolution 16, passed by the National Executive Committee of the American Legion.

This resolution states that all participants in American Legion Youth Programs will pay proper respect to the American Flag of the United States, at all times, including during the National Anthem. Therefore, if any participant of any South Dakota American Legion Youth Program cannot or will not live up to these expectations, the individual will be removed from the program and not be able to resume participation.

SOUTH DAKOTA
2021 AMERICAN LEGION
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
TOURNAMENTS

CLASS "B" Senior

GROTON, SD

JULY 30- AUGUST 3

CLASS "A" Senior

BRANDON VALLEY, SD

JULY 23 – 27

CLASS "A" Junior

PIERRE, SD

JULY 23 – 27

CLASS "B" Junior

REDFIELD, SD

AUGUST 6 – 8

American Legion Baseball is the largest organized summer youth program in our state. But only a few people other than those who actually work with the ball clubs ever hear about the games or players. Publicity and public relations are vitally important to maintain and increase the interest of team members, baseball fans, and all those who help support the program.

PUBLICITY CAN MAKE YOUR BASEBALL PROGRAM A SUCCESS AND PROFITABLE. Here's how it can be done:

1. One person — the Post Commander, Team Coach, Team Manager, Post Athletic Officer, or anyone who is qualified — must be responsible for reporting your team's activities. This task doesn't take a lot of time but must be done while news is still news.
2. Weekly and daily newspapers, radio, and TV stations are within easy reach, and most are eager to report area sports stories. Some news outlets, in fact, welcome collect phone calls to learn of game results.
3. Pre-game stories should increase game attendance. A short item reporting the competing teams, starting pitchers, season records of both teams, plus the **TIME** and **PLACE** of the game should be sufficient. A printed season schedule in newspapers and on handbills is helpful, too.
4. A follow-up story right after the game is extremely important. With follow-up stories, the news media usually wants highlights of the game, score by innings, each team's totals of runs, hits, and errors, and the names of pitchers and catchers.

**BUILD INTEREST AND ATTENDANCE
USE PUBLICITY**

2021 STATE AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The following American Legion baseball Rules and Regulations, adopted by the State Athletic Commission, are applicable in South Dakota and supplement National American Legion baseball rules as contained in the 2021 American Legion Rule Book. In case of a conflict between the state and national rules, state rules shall supersede. Major rules changes from last year are printed in boldface.

RULE 1

A player shall be eligible to play on a Post-sponsored Class “A” or Class “B” American Legion baseball team only from an area extending one-half the distance to the next Post and/or sponsor fielding a team unless designated differently by the Commission. (This rule does not apply to a city with two American Legion Posts, each sponsoring a certified American Legion baseball team recruited from one or more schools in the city in compliance with Plan B of the national rules.) The recruitment rules in South Dakota will be in full compliance with the National rules. Regardless of the level of play, each American Legion Baseball player will be entitled to only one transfer per year. Students who use “open enrollment” have the same one-time option, just like a transfer.

TRY-OUT

Definition: A means for the athlete to meet with the coach/manager of a team, closest to his parents’ domicile, for acceptance or denial on the team roster, for play in South Dakota American Legion Baseball.

The athlete may be considered as having met the definition of a TRY-OUT using any one of the following standards:

(A) Athlete meets with Team Manager and/or Post Commander (in consultation with the team manager) and expresses the desire to be transferred to another program, for reasons other than a physical practice.

(B) Athlete, physically, through a practice, makes an attempt to make the team. Players may be enrolled only from within the limits of this area with this exception: If a boy’s actual place of residence is established prior to March 31 of this year in a community other than the community where he attends high school, he may play with either team. His choice must be in writing and filed with the State Athletic Commission Chairman by June 20, 2021.

When ALB Roster Form is received by the Regional Athletic Officer on or before June 25, 2021, all varsity team players listed on Form #1 will be bound to that program for the remainder of the year with three exceptions: 1.) A change of domicile to another city or change of domicile to another base school or 2.) A transfer in accordance with national rule 4.E. or 3.) A ninth grade or older open enrolled student must be enrolled into their new school by the beginning of the second semester of that current year and must stay enrolled thru March 31st of that same year to be eligible to play in that schools recruiting area. If student decides to return to his prior school before March 31st of that same year, student would revert back to his previous school recruiting area. If student decides to return back to his previous school or any other school after March 31st of that same year, student would be ineligible to play for anyone except where he was enrolled as of the beginning of the second semester of that same year. This would be a player’s one and only open enrollment or transfer or declaration allowed under American

Legion rules and player shall not be granted any other transfers except if players legal domicile changes. If a player cannot obtain a release from the team manager or American Legion Post Commander in consultation with a team manager, the player can appeal the decision in writing to the Athletic Commission Chairman. The Chairman will render a final decision that is binding on all parties and cannot be appealed.

RULE 2

(A) Registered American Legion baseball teams must be sponsored by an American Legion Post. Teams sponsored by other organizations must have prior approval of the State Athletic Commission.

(B) All Post American Legion baseball teams in South Dakota shall play in either Class "A" or Class "B" competition. To qualify as a Class "B" team, the high school enrollment of the top three grades (10-12) must not exceed 500 students on March 31 of the current year as it appears on the American Legion baseball Registration Roster by June 30. Class "A" enrollment cannot exceed 5,000 students.

(C) All South Dakota American Legion baseball teams will be aligned for tournament play at the June 2021 Athletic Commission meeting. The alignments appearing on pages 12, 13, 14, and 15 of this booklet are tentative and based upon last year. The purpose of any later changes is to ensure that, within practical limitations, a similar number of teams is in each region.

(D) A Post or other sponsoring organization may enter one registered team in regional or state tournament play, unless the school enrollment total requires more than one team in a city. A team hosting a state tournament is exempt from regional competition. When a Post hosting a state tournament is located in a city where two or more teams are required, the Post shall designate at the time of its tournament bid which team will be the host.

(E) **The Class "A" Championship Tournament shall consist of eight (8) teams. Teams will be determined as follows: The Host and seven (7) teams that advance by winning a best 2 of 3 playoff based on seeding. The seven (7) best 2 of 3 playoffs will be hosted by the top seven (7) seeds. One game will be played Friday, July 16, with one or two games being played Saturday, July 17. Sunday will be the rain makeup day if needed. If more than fifteen (15) teams participate in Class "A" Legion Baseball, only the top fourteen (14) seeded teams will participate in the playoffs. Each team is required to play a minimum of fourteen (14) games against other South Dakota Class "A" Teams. The seeding will be based on the SDHSAA Power Point System (See Below). Each team is to report their scores weekly to keep standings updated which will be posted beginning June 15. This format is being used on a three (3) year trial basis - 2020, 2021 and 2022.**

Implementation of SDHSAA Power Points
Opponent's Winning Percentage = .750 or higher
Win = 50 Points
Loss = 39 Points
Opponent's Winning Percentage = .500 to .749
Win = 47 Points

Loss = 36 Points
Opponent's Winning Percentage = .250 to .499
Win = 44 Points
Loss = 33 Points
Opponent's Winning Percentage = .249 or lower
Win = 41 Points
Loss = 30 Points

Seed points will be awarded based upon the opponent's win percentage as shown in the chart above.

*Win Percentage = number of wins divided by the number of contests played.

(F) The Class “B” State Tournament shall consist of the winners of each of the 7 regional tournaments plus the host team. **All Class “B” regional tournament play shall be double elimination. All Class “B” American Legion regional tournament games shall be played on consecutive days.** If a Class B team wishes to participate in the A Class Regional, that B team must declare where it wishes to play before our June alignment meeting and would participate in the A Region it would normally be located. All games in the State American Legion Baseball Tournaments will be conducted on a double elimination basis. All teams participating in Regional and State Tournaments shall play at the time and date indicated in the established playing schedule or shall forfeit 30 minutes after scheduled game time or up to one hour between games.

RULE 3

All Class “B” regional tournaments must be completed, and winners determined by July 25, 2021, so as to enter the **State Class “B” Sr. American Legion Baseball Tournament scheduled for July 30-August 3, 2021.** Part of the proceeds from these regional tournaments shall be used to pay the **yearly accumulated expenses of the “B” Regional Athletic Officer. Guaranteed gate requirement for the “B” tournament is \$2,500.00 of the net profit.**

All Class “A” Sr. best 2 of 3 **playoff games must be completed, and winners determined by July 18, 2021 to enter the State Championship Tournament scheduled for July 23-27, 2021.** The winner of the **State Championship Tournament will be South Dakota’s entrant into the national regional tournament** and registered with National Headquarters in accordance with National American Legion baseball rules. Part of the proceeds from each **Class “A” regional tournament shall be used to pay the playoff accumulated expenses, meals, lodging and mileage of the State Commissioner working that playoff. Guaranteed gate requirement for the State Championship Tournament is \$7,000.00 of the net profit.**

RULE 4

(A) To be eligible for American Legion baseball competition, each Post shall file on-line on the National American Legion Baseball website by filling out the team entry form and insurance form, and pay the fees for Sr. and Jr. teams or both if necessary, at that time. Teams will be certified with a one hundred-dollar (**\$100.00**) entry fee **per team** and must be **registered online** on or before **May 15, 2021**, the official state team entry deadline. The entry fee will be **\$200.00** for teams registering late between **May 15 and May 31, 2021.** No team will be permitted to participate in American Legion baseball competition whose state entry form, proof of insurance, and accompanying registration fee are not **registered online** and on file at State Headquarters by **June 1, 2021.** Non-registered, uninsured players will not be allowed to play American

Legion Baseball. If your Post sponsors one or more teams, the Post must register and insure all teams.

(B) Each Post sponsoring an American Legion baseball team shall submit an ALB Roster Form (previously Form #1) with the copy of each Player Agreement/Parent's Consent Form #2 **and identity documents** on each player of each team, as outlined in National Rule No. 6, to its Regional Athletic Officer by June 25, 2021, for verification as to player eligibility. ALB Roster Form will be binding for transfer purposes on varsity teams. ALB Roster Form shall be certified and approved by the State Chairman or Regional Officer in charge. No team will be permitted to compete in American Legion baseball tournaments whose official entry forms are not in the hands of the Regional Athletic Officer by June 25, 2021.

Regional Athletic Officers shall verify:

Coaches shall retain and bring to all Tournaments a copy of the ALB Roster Form, the original copy of each Player Agreement/Parent's Consent Form #2, a copy of any transfer forms #76 or Option Rule forms #77 and an identifying document such as a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, passport or any legal document authorized by National Headquarters.

(C) Immediately after June 30, 2021, each "A/B" Regional Athletic Officer shall conduct a meeting of all adult officials of teams under his supervision to select the site and dates for the regional tournament, to draw team pairings for the tourney on the basis of teams officially registered and represented at that meeting and to otherwise go over details for play of the regional tournament. Each "A/B" Regional Athletic Officer shall, not later than June 20, 2021, notify each Post sponsoring an American Legion baseball team under his supervision of the time and place of the meeting, and he shall at that meeting make available for the inspection by all team officials concerned all American Legion Baseball Registration Forms for each team. Eligibility protests of players involved in State tournaments must bear written proof of ineligibility and must be filed with the State Tournament Director at each such tournament no later than 9:00 a.m., local time on the first day of the tournament involved, except on the discovery of fraud. When fraud is discovered, the eligibility protest and a written description of the alleged fraud, must be filed immediately. All other protests shall be filed as specified in the *Official Baseball Rules of Major League Baseball*.

(D) After verification of each player's eligibility by a certified copy of birth certificate or South Dakota driver's license or US Government Passport or US Government military or dependent military ID Card, the Regional Athletic Officer shall then return the roster, **with attachments**, to the team manager to be retained by him until called for by regional or state tournament officials.

(E) Each team manager shall have a physical examination made of all the American Legion baseball players on his team prior to June 30, 2021, and said manager shall assume full responsibility for securing complete and individual physical examinations sufficient to reveal heart condition, hernia, etc. Certification by the manager on the proper form that all members of the team have had a physical examination within the current school year shall accompany eligibility papers to the Regional Athletic Officer as outlined in paragraph B herein. No team shall be eligible to compete in any regional or state tournament unless such certification has been made.

RULE 5

An American Legion baseball player may participate in other amateur baseball programs subject to prior approval of the Department Baseball Chairman. A minimum of interference with the VFW Teener program is encouraged.

Competition between Non-American Legion teams is prohibited, with these two exceptions.

(1) Upon entering an American legion sponsored event or tournament outside of South Dakota and being matched up against a non-American Legion team, that play will be deemed, OK.

(2) Upon hosting an American Legion sponsored event or tournament within South Dakota and an entry of a non-American Legion team, that play will be deemed also, OK. No in-state non-American Legion teams will be allowed to participate in any South Dakota sponsored American Legion events or tournaments nor will any single game or double header games be allowed with any instate non-American Legion teams.

Any violations of this rule will result in the following penalty:

1st Violation: Warning and probation.

2nd Violation: Expulsion of that year's tournament play.

3rd Violation: Expulsion from any further South Dakota American Legion play and any reentry back into South Dakota American Legion program must be made by formal application, reviewed and approved by the South Dakota American Legion Athletic Commission.

If in doubt - please call and consult with the South Dakota American Legion Athletic Commission for a ruling.

RULE 6

Teams will be allowed to use the American League designated hitter rule in the official baseball rules published by *Official Rules of Major League Baseball*. (Stipulations regarding use of the designated hitter appear on page 27 of this publication.)

RULE 7

Pitching Rule. Senior and Junior American Legion Baseball programs, no player may pitch more than a total of 105 pitches per day. A pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if he reaches or exceeds the maximum limit during an at-bat but must exit the position after the hitter. No player may enter the game as a pitcher unless having fulfilled the required rest days as mandated below. No player may make more than two appearances as a pitcher during any consecutive three-day period. **Also, players will be charged with 2 appearances if they leave the pitching position and return as the pitcher in the same game.** PENALTY – The pitcher is removed from the game and team manager shall be ejected from the game and serve an additional one game suspension. For further information see the National American Legion Baseball 2021 Rule Book (Rule 1.R.)

Pitchers will have a daily maximum of 105 pitches per day, down from 120.

Required rest will be as follows:

1-30 pitches: 0 days

31-45 pitches: 1 day

46-60 pitches: 2 days

61-80 pitches: 3 days

81+ pitches: 4 days

RULE 8

All teams and sub varsity teams must be covered by group accident and liability insurance for the entire season as outlined in National Rule 1(H). Coverage must be purchased prior to registering with the Department. Proof of such coverage must be submitted to the Department at the time of registration. **Any team that fails to purchase insurance from K & K Insurance shall be disqualified from any further competition.**

RULE 9

To expedite tournament play, all Regional and State B Tournament games in the Department shall utilize a 10-run rule after five innings, unless the home team is ahead by 10 runs or more after 4-1/2 innings. All Regional and State B Tournament Championship games will end after 7 innings. **All Regional and South Dakota State A Championship Tournament games shall utilize the 10-run rule after 5 innings, unless the home team is ahead by 10 runs or more after 4 1/2 innings.**

RULE 10

The purpose of The American Legion baseball program is to stimulate Americanism and develop citizenship. Therefore, all American Legion baseball players, managers, coaches, Post Athletic Officers or Legion representatives shall not be allowed to use tobacco (in any form), intoxicating liquor, profanity, or controlled substances in the dugouts or on the playing field during American Legion baseball games. Uniforms shall be kept neat. Any violation of the foregoing shall result in removal from further participation. **In accordance with the resolution adopted at the 2002 SD American Legion State Convention, the sale, use, or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in any baseball park when American Legion Baseball is being played.** Violations of this rule will result in the individuals involved and the head coach being removed from the stadium.

RULE 11

(A) Any protest involving a rules infraction must be placed with the proper American Legion athletic official responsible for the tournament before the next pitch is made following the point of protest. All protests shall be made in accordance with the official rules of baseball. Regular season games shall be protested in the same manner, and the written protest containing complete information must be filed with the Regional Athletic Officer within twenty-four (24) hours. Protests will not be considered if they are based on the judgment of an umpire.

(B) In the event a team protests any game to the State Athletic Commission, the sponsoring Post shall present a fifty-dollar (\$50) cash bond to the Athletic Officer in Charge. Said bond will be returned if the protest is allowed. If the protest is denied, the amount of bond will be used to partially defray expenses of settling that protest.

RULE 12

The players and team coach shall be in uniform during all regional and state tournament games in which their team participates, and it is strongly recommended that they also appear in uniform for all other games in which they participate. It is recommended that batboys/batgirls also appear in uniform.

RULE 13

All players in American Legion baseball competition are required to wear double-flapped ear-protector helmets while batting or running bases. Catchers are required to wear some type of protective helmet while catching. A catcher's mask throat protector is required. It is also required that the catcher's mask with throat protector be worn when warming up a pitcher. The extended "stub" on certain masks does not constitute a throat protector.

All batboys/batgirls are required to wear protective headgear (helmets) while on the playing field and in or near the dugout area.

Baseball players are prohibited from wearing any jewelry while on the playing field or in the dugout. **All baseball players and coaches are required to wear The American Legion Baseball insignia patch on either the left sleeve or left chest of the uniform shirt, wind shirt, or jacket. Players and coaches with no patch on the uniform shirt, wind shirt, or jacket will be restricted to the dugout. NO PATCH — NO PLAY!**

S.D. AMERICAN LEGION REGIONS

The following tentative team-to-region assignments — with every South Dakota Legion Post tentatively assigned to a region, including those Posts that have or are known to be sponsoring teams and those that may later put a team on the playing field — have been approved by the State Legion Athletic Commission, and such assignments will be effective for the 2021 American Legion baseball playing season, subject to changes provided by Rule 2(B) and 2(C). Any Class "A" team may compete with "B" teams during the regular season, including any local round-robin league play and may be included in the league standings and any league championship, if it is agreeable with other league members. Such Class "A" teams, however, will not compete in any games involving Class "B" regional tournament competition.

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Andover	Gary	Rosholt
Astoria	Grenville	Roslyn
Big Stone City	Kidder	Sisseton
Bradley	Hayti	Strandburg
Bruce	Langford	Toronto
Bryant	Lily	Veblen
Castlewood/Clear	Milbank	Waubay
Lake	New Effington	Webster
Carpenter	Pierpont	White
Estelline	Raymond	Wilmot

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Badger	DeSmet	Fulton/Farmer/	Madison	Sinai
Baltic	Dell Rapids	Epiphany	Montrose	Trent
Canistota	Egan	Garretson	Nunda	Volga
Chester	Elkton	Hartford	Oldham	Wentworth
Colman	Erwin	Hetland	Ramona	White

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Alcester
Alsen
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Centerville
Chancellor
Dakota Valley

Davis
Elk Point
Gayville
Hudson
Hurley
Lennox
Marion

Parker
Tea
Vermillion
Viborg
Wakonda
Worthing

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Delmont

Greenwood
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Menno
Parkston
Pickstown

Platte/Geddes
Springfield
Tabor
Tripp
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Canton
Emery
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Gann Valley
Geddes
Howard

Humboldt
Irene
Kimball
Kingsbury County
Letcher
McCook/ Miner Co
Miller
Mount Vernon
Plankinton
Platte

Pukwana
Scotland
Stickney
Volga
Wessington
Wessington Springs
White Lake
Woonsocket

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Agar	Eureka	Lebanon	Ree heights
Blunt	Faulkton	Leola	Redfield
Bowdle	Frederick	Long Lake	Rockham
Brentford	Gettysburg	Mansfield	Roscoe
Britton	Groton	Mellette	Selby
Claremont	Hecla	Mobridge	Stratford
Clark/Willow	Highmore	Northville	Tulare
Lake	Hitchcock	Onaka	Virgil
Columbia	Herreid	Onida	Warner/Ipswich/ Northwestern
Conde	Hosmer	Orient	Wolsey
Cresbard	Hoven	Pollock	
Doland	Java	Polo	

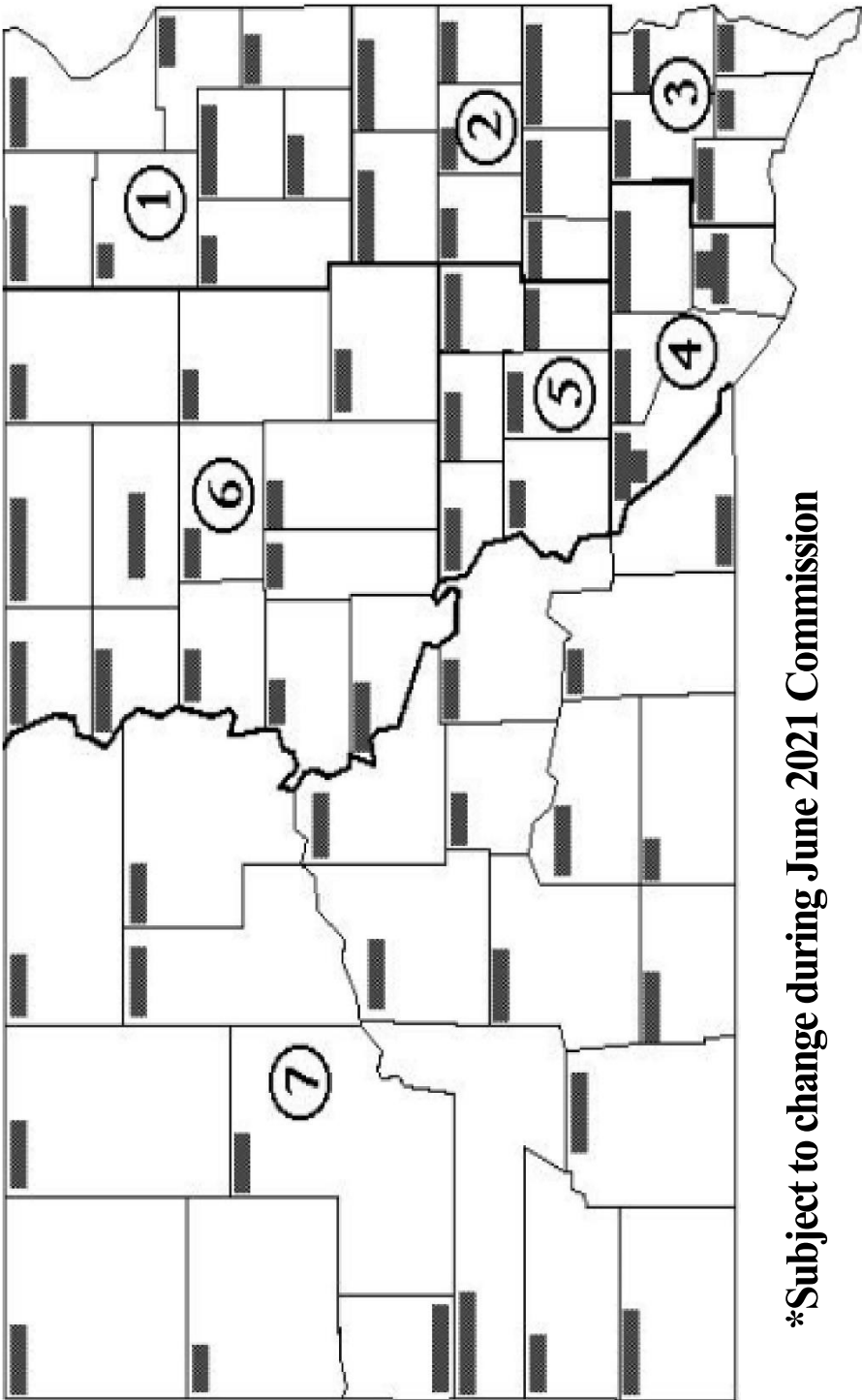
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Batesland	Fort Pierre	McLaughlin	Rosebud
Belle Fourche	Hermosa	Midland	Spearfish
Belvidere	Herrick	Mission	St Francis
Bison	Hill City	Murdo	Thunder
Bonesteel	Hot Springs	New	Hawk
Box Elder	Isabel	Underwood	Timber Lake
Buffalo	Kadoka	Nisland/ Newell/Vale	Vivian
Bullhead	Kennebec/Re- liance	Norris	Wall
Burke	Kyle	Oelrichs	Wanblee
Custer	Lead/Dead- wood	Oglala	White River
Dallas	Lemmon	Parmelee	Winner/ Colome
Draper	Little Eagle	Philip	Witten
Dupree	Manderson	Piedmont	Wood
Eagle Butte	Martin	Pine Ridge	
Edgemont		Porcupine	
Fairfax			
Gregory			

South Dakota American Legion Class "B" Baseball Regions*



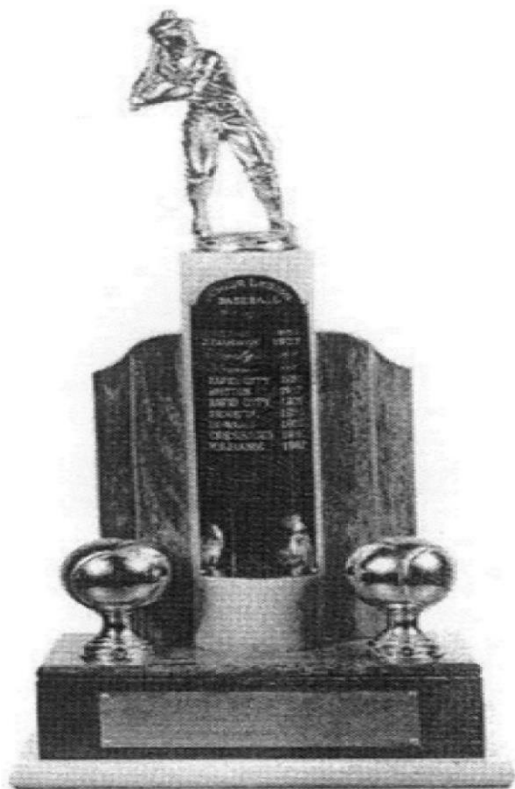
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PORTER T. TALCOTT SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS — 2019

The highly coveted Porter T. Talcott Sportsmanship Trophies were awarded to Sr. teams Rapid City Post #22 and Redfield Post 92 and Jr. teams Watertown Post 17 and Wagner Post 11 for their sportsmanship during the 2019 state tournaments.

The winning “Sr” and “Jr” teams, Rapid City Post 22 and Redfield Post 92, and Watertown Post 17 and Wagner Post 11, respectively, during the State championship tournaments, were selected as the winners on the basis of displaying the best all-around sportsmanship qualities, both on and off the field, during the state tournaments.

Each team received a plaque with a replica of the Talcott Trophy, signifying the annual award given to a team participating in each of the state tournaments.



PORTER T. TALCOTT SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY WINNERS A & B SR'S

Awarded to the state tournament teams displaying the best all-around sportsmanship qualities, both on and off the playing field, during tournament competition. There was no award prior to 1952.

1952— Sioux Falls	1953— Sturgis	1954— Roslyn	1955— Hoven
1956— Rapid City	1957— Britton	1958— Rapid City	1959— Seneca
1960— Howard	1961— Cresbard	1962— Milbank	1963— Mobridge
1964— Bath	1965— Redfield	1966— Frederick	1967— Canova
1968— Spearfish	1969— Scotland		

1970 — (A) Huron; (B) Wessington Springs
 1971— (A) Rapid City; (B) Corsica
 1972— (A) Rapid City; (B) Groton
 1973— (A) Rapid City; (B) Redfield
 1974— (A) Watertown; (B) Canova
 1975— (A) SF Blackbirds; (B) Spearfish
 1976— (A) Rapid City; (B) Lake Andes
 1977— (A) Rapid City; (B) Faulkton
 1978— (A) Watertown; (B) Hot Springs
 1979— (A) Watertown; (B) Armour
 1980— (A) Watertown; (B) Howard
 1981— (A) Watertown; (B) Corsica
 1982— (A) Huron; (B) Ipswich
 1983— (A) Sioux Falls; (B) Leola
 1984— (A) Aberdeen; (B) Webster
 1985— (A) Rapid City; (B) Tabor
 1986— (A) Milbank; (B) Tabor
 1987— (A) Brookings; (B) Sisseton
 1988— (A) Huron; (B) Tabor
 1989— (A) Rapid City; (B) Canton
 1990— (A) Aberdeen; (B) Ipswich
 1991— (A) Sioux Falls; (B) Wagner
 1992— (A) Sturgis (Northern Hills);
 (B) Wessington Springs
 1993— (A) Rapid City; (B) Howard
 1994— (A) Mitchell; (B) Groton

1995— (A) Rapid City; (B) Clear Lake
 1996— (A) Pierre; (B) Howard/De Smet
 1997— (A) Brookings; (B) Gregory County
 1998— (A) Watertown; (B) Parkston
 1999— (A) Yankton; (B) Wessington
 2000— (A) Sioux Falls; (B) Lennox
 2001— (A) Brookings; (B) Custer/Hot Springs
 2002— (A) Sioux Falls West; (B) Freeman
 2003— (A) Yankton; (B) Miller/Wessington
 2004— (A) Watertown; (B) Parkston
 2005— (A) SF West; (B) Madison
 2006— (A) SF West; (B) Milbank
 2007— (A) Mitchell; (B) Chamberlain
 2008— (A) Rapid City 22; (B) Platte/Geddes
 2009— (A) Mitchell; (B) Vermillion
 2010— (A) SF East; (B) Belle Fourche
 2011— (A) Rapid City Post 22; (B) Redfield
 2012— (A) SF West; (B) Corsica
 2013— (A) Mitchell; (B) Tabor
 2014— (A) Yankton; (B) Tabor
 2015— (A) Pierre; (B) Vermillion
 2016— (A) Rapid City 320; (B) Redfield
 2017— (A) Mitchell; (B) Winner/Colome
 2018— (A) Mitchell; (B) Dell Rapids
 2019— (A) Rapid City #22; (B) Redfield

**PORTER T. TALCOTT SPORTSMANSHIP
TROPHY WINNERS A & B JR'S**

2015 (A) Aberdeen
2016 (A) Sioux Falls
2017 (A) Mitchell
2018 (A) Harrisburg; (B) WIN
2019 (A) Watertown; (B) Wagner

**SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION
A & B JR BIG STICK AWARD WINNERS**

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2015 – (A) Trey Schmidt, Watertown .600
2016 – (A) Blake Holden, Watertown .667
2017 – (A) Campbell Mindt, Sioux Falls East .611
2018 – (A) Mitchell Sand, Rapid City 320 .636;
(B) Alex Morris, Groton .600
2019 – (A) Liam Porter, Rapid City 22 Expos .526;
(B) Peyton Eich, Lennox .545

**SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION
A & B JR TOURNAMENT MVP**

2015 – (A) Cooper Bowman, IF, Rapid City 22
2016 – (A) Blake Holden, P/IF, Watertown
2017 – (A) Jake Smith, P/IF, Sioux Falls East
(B) Brock Anderson, P/IF, Lennox
2018 – (A) Mason Evans, C, Watertown;
(B) Brandon Fodness, C/IF, Lennox
2019 – (A) Ethan Fredrickson, P, Renner;
(B) Chandler Larson, SS/P, Groton

**SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION
STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONS**

1926	Beresford	1934	Sioux Falls	1942	Aberdeen
1927	Alcester	1935	Pierre	1943	Sioux Falls
1928	Mitchell	1936	Pierre	1944	Aberdeen
1929	Gregory	1937	Pierre	1945	Aberdeen
1930	Aberdeen	1938	Pierre	1946	Sioux Falls
1931	Watertown	1939	Aberdeen	1947	Aberdeen
1932	Colton	1940	Sioux Falls	1948	Sioux Falls
1933	Gregory	1941	Pierre	1949	Aberdeen

SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONS (cont.)

YEAR	A CHAMP	B CHAMP	YEAR	A CHAMP	B CHAMP
1950	Aberdeen	Corsica	1988	Sioux Falls	Miller
1951	Mitchell	Gregory	1989	Sioux Falls	Canton
1952	Aberdeen	Flandreau	1990	Rapid City	Groton
1953	Aberdeen	Lennox	1991	Rapid City	Miller
1954	Aberdeen	Gregory	1992	Sioux Falls	Miller
1955	Aberdeen	Gregory	1993	Rapid City	Lennox
1956	Aberdeen	Elk Point	1994	Rapid City	Vermillion
1957	Sioux Falls	Scotland	1995	Rapid City	Groton
1958	Sioux Falls	Scotland	1996	Rapid City	Brandon
1959	Sioux Falls	Scotland	1997	Sioux Falls	Howard
1960	Aberdeen	Howard	1998	Rapid City	Groton
1961	Rapid City	Howard	1999	Mitchell	Scotland
1962	Rapid City	Milbank	2000	Rapid City #22	Groton
1963	Rapid City	Milbank	2001	Rapid City #22	Milbank
1964	Aberdeen	Gregory	2002	Rapid City #22	Freeman
1965	Rapid City	Redfield	2003	Sioux Falls West	Freeman
1966	Rapid City	Canton	2004	Sioux Falls East	Madison
1967	Pierre	Eureka	2005	Rapid City #22	Parkston
1968	Pierre	Dell Rapids	2006	Rapid City22	Winner/Colome
1969	Sioux Falls	Dell Rapids	2007	Sioux Falls West	Parkston
1970	Rapid City	Howard	2008	Aberdeen	Parkston
1971	Rapid City	Howard	2009	Rapid City #22	Vermillion
1972	Rapid City	Parkston	2010	Rapid City #22	Alexandria
1973	Rapid City	Selby	2011	Sioux Falls East	Garretson
1974	Rapid City	OrientFaulkton	2012	Brookings	Groton
1975	Rapid City	Java	2013	Rapid City #22	Groton
1976	Rapid City	Groton	2014	Rapid City #22	Madison
1977	Rapid City	Parkston	2015SR	Rapid City #22	McCook/Miner
1978	Rapid City	Groton	2015JR	Rapid City #22	NONE
1979	Rapid City	Armour	2016SR	Rapid City #22	Milbank
1980	Rapid City	Scotland	2016JR	Watertown	NONE
1981	Rapid City	Mobridge	2017SR	Pierre	Vermillion
1982	Rapid City	Clark	2017JR	Sioux Falls East	Lennox
1983	Rapid City	Lesterville	2018SR	Rapid City #22	Dell Rapids
1984	Rapid City	Groton	2018JR	Watertown	Lennox
1985	Rapid City	Tabor	2019SR	Renner	Lennox
1986	Rapid City	Clark	2019JR	Renner	Claremont/Britton
1987	Rapid City	Clark			

SOUTH DAKOTA AMERICAN LEGION “SR” BIG STICK AWARD WINNERS

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No selection prior to 1994

- 1994 - (A) Scott Dressler, Rapid City, .590; (B) Tony Larsen, Vermillion, .583
- 1995 - (A) Mark Ellis, Rapid City, .563; (B) Zelos Johnson, Groton, .611
- 1996 - (A) Shawn Ellis, Sioux Falls East, .565; (B) Dallas Schneiderman, Brandon, .556
- 1997 - (A) Kris Garry, Sioux Falls East, .619; (B) Dan Karges, Milbank, .609
- 1998 - (A) Kelby Klosterman, Spearfish, .667; (B) Justin Pearson, Big Stone C., .409
- 1999 - (A) Eric Baily, Yankton, .500; (B) Jesse Kurtenbach, Groton, .609
- 2000 - (A) Matt Sisk, Sioux Falls West, .526; (B) Terry Tchida, Britton/Claremont, .610
- 2001 - (A) Adam Schroeder, Valley Sprgs., .667; (B) Brendon Hinrichs, Groton, .619
- 2002 - (A) Andrew Shepherd, Rapid City, .579; (B) Kyle Broderson, Lennox, .471
- 2003 - (A) Justin Rippentrop, Sioux Falls West, .684; (B) Dustin Schrader, Winner/Colome, .642
- 2004 - (A) Matt Adamson, Sioux Falls East, .546; (B) Zack Lambrechts, Milbank, .471
- 2005 - (A) Max Fenske, Rapid City 22, .578; (B) Chris Sherman, Winner/Colome, .615
- 2006 - (A) Michael Babcock, Aberdeen, .550; (B) Bryce Kreuzfeldt, Flandreau, .591
- 2007 - (A) Bryan Mergen, Brookings, .545; (B) Matt Franck, Cresbard, NW, .556
- 2008 - (A) Jason Schmidt, Mitchell, .476; (B) Jeff Fish, Milbank, .500
- 2009 - (A) Zach Cimburek, Rapid City 320, .579; (B) Keith Cutler, Platte/Geddes, .600
- 2010 - (A) Christen Cox, Aberdeen, .696; (B) Heath Giedt, Groton, .500
- 2011 - (A) Carter Wevik, Rapid City 22, .583; (B) Shane Dickey, Garretson, .643
- 2012 - (A) Jordan Risse, Sioux Falls East, .591; (B) Mitch Foster, Flandreau, .524
- 2013 - (A) Dylanger Pierson, Mitchell, .692; (B) Kyle Scofield, Flandreau, .526
- 2014 - (A) Jared Tschetter, Brookings, .714; (B) Jacob Giles, Madison, .550
- 2015 - (A) Dylanger Pierson, Mitchell .692; (B) Riley Schrader, Humbolt .579
- 2016 - (A) Eric Petry & Timmy Paris, Rapid City 22 .500; (B) Carter Kratz Vermillion .733
- 2017 - (A) Landon Badger, Pierre .600; (B) Parker Louks, Spearfish .625
- 2018 – (A) Nick Hoekstra, Renner .714; (B) Matt Gillogly, Dell Rapids .625
- 2019 – (A) Calvin Hegg, Mitchell .500; (B) Camden Osborn, Redfield .471

SOUTH DAKOTA TOURNAMENT MVP

No Selection Prior to 1951

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| 1951 | Joe Belak, p, Gregory | 1961 | Gene Theodorff, p, Huron |
| 1952 | Ronald Peterson, c, Sioux Falls | 1962 | Robert Dorn, c, Chamberlain |
| | Lyle Dahme, p, Aberdeen | 1963 | Erin Peterson, 2b, Rapid City |
| 1953 | Mike Poppens, p, Lennox | 1964 | James Geaghan, ss, Gregory |
| 1954 | Dean Braun, p, Flandreau | 1965 | James Moreland, 3b, Sioux Falls |
| 1955 | Kermit Kidner, p-1b, Rapid City | 1966 | Raymond L. Johnson, p-ss, Canton |
| 1956 | Roger Hackett, p, Aberdeen | 1967 | David Lee Bauer, p-ss, Eureka |
| 1957 | Lew Mavity, ss, Sioux Falls | 1968 | Greg Stanczyk, of, Rapid City |
| 1958 | John Beisner, c, Rapid City | 1969 | Cliff Anderson, p-c-1b, Dell Rapids |
| 1959 | Jerry Crider, p, Sioux Falls | | |
| 1960 | Wally Johnson, ss-p, Aberdeen | | |
| 1970 | (A) Terry Danielson, c, Rapid City | 1984 | (A) Todd Miller, 2b, Aberdeen |
| | (B) Larry Keeton, p-of, Wessington. Springs | | (B) Eric Larson, of, Groton |
| 1971 | (A) Dave Collins, 1b, Rapid City | 1985 | (A) Steve Ramharter, cf-p, SF |
| | (B) Ron Weidler, p-of, Howard | | (B) Steve Fejfar, c-p, Tabor |
| 1972 | (A) Bill Ewing, 2b-p, Rapid City | 1986 | (A) Marty Andrews, c-p, RC |
| | (B) Tom Maxwell, p-inf, Parkston | | (B) Rob Stack, ss-p, Tabor |
| 1973 | (A) Joe Ewing, of-p, Rapid City | 1987 | (A) Shawn Muffat, of, Rapid City |
| | (B) Joe Walter, of-p, Howard | | (B) Gary Kortan, ss-p, Tabor |
| 1974 | (A) Craig Soderquist, 1b, RC | 1988 | (A) John Legel, ss, Sioux Falls |
| | (B) Kirk Carr, ss-p, Orient-Faulkton | | (B) Donny Godel, ss, Winner |
| 1975 | (A) LeRoy Weimer, c, Rapid City | 1989 | (A) Mike Lorang, p-cf, Sioux Falls |
| | (B) Ron Hoffman, p-1b, Colton | | (B) Doug Sehr, p, Canton |
| 1976 | (A) Rich Downs, c, Rapid City | 1990 | (A) Ryan Krogman, p-ss, Brookings |
| | (B) Ron Westby, p-ss, Groton | | (B) Peter Wilson, p-inf, Canistota |
| 1977 | (A) Jim Hendrickson, of, RC | 1991 | (A) Kyle Yamada, ss, Rapid City |
| | (B) Brooks Gehring, p-1b, Parkston | | (B) Nick Johannsen, p-of, Miller |
| 1978 | (A) Bud Bartholow, of-c-p, RC | 1992 | (A) Dan Conrad, c, Sioux Falls |
| | (B) Rich Zimney, p-of, Groton | | (B) Lee Fischer, p-of, Wessington Springs |
| 1979 | (A) Steve Wolff, ss, Rapid City | 1993 | (A) Ryan Merritt, lf, Rapid City |
| | (B) Brett Neuman, c, Groton | | (B) Jeremy Hinker, p-1b-of, Howard |
| 1980 | (A) Roger Lewis, p, Rapid City | 1994 | (A) Mark Ellis, ss, Rapid City |
| | (B) Kevin Hofer, c, Scotland | | (B) Ryan Gordon, p-c, Salem |
| 1981 | (A) Kent Torve, p-3b, Rapid City | 1995 | (A) Mark Ellis, ss, Rapid City |
| | (B) Bruce Mogen, p-1b, Mobridge | | (B) Scott Johnson, p-1b, Flandreau |
| 1982 | (A) Burt Beattie, p-ss, Aberdeen | 1996 | (A) Luke Wheeler, 3b, Rapid City |
| | (B) Gene Lorenz, p-ss, Clark | | (B) Dallas Schneiderman, p-ss, Brandon |
| 1983 | (A) Mike Eberle, c, Rapid City | | |
| | (B) Dennis Putzier, c, Colton | | |

SOUTH DAKOTA TOURNAMENT MVP (cont.)

- 1997 (A) Kris Garry, cf, Sioux Falls
(B) Landon Jacobsen, p-ss, Howard
- 1998 (A) Rusty Remmers, cf, Watertown
(B) Jay Merrigan, cf, Vermillion
- 1999 (A) Josh DeJong, p-2b, Mitchell
(B) James Gordon, p-u, Scotland
- 2000 (A) Brad Hunt, p-inf, Rapid City
(B) Jesse Kurtenbach, inf, Groton
- 2001 (A) Greg Geary, 1B, Rapid City
(B) Trey Flichts, inf, Groton
- 2002 (A) Andrew Shepherd, inf, RC
(B) Pat Krause, inf, Milbank
- 2003 (A) Corey Benson, p-inf, SF West
(B) Travis Lester, inf, Milbank
- 2004 (A) Chris Kessinger, of-p, SF East
(B) Brock Kreuzfeldt, p-3b, Madison
- 2005 (A) Chris Kessinger, if-p, SF East
(B) Jeremy Wermers, if-p, Parkston
- 2006 (A) Josh Nolan, if, Rapid City
(B) Jared Donahue, p-of,
Winner/Colome
- 2007 (A) Trey Krier, p, Sioux Falls West
(B) Tom Murtha, of-p, Parkston
- 2008 (A) Justin Kline, c, Aberdeen
(B) Brady Nolz p-if, Parkston
- 2009 (A) Kolton Emery, if-p, Rapid City 22
(B) Tyler Johnson p-of,
Vermillion
- 2010 (A) Parker Sullivan, of, Rapid City 22
(B) Tyson Gau p-if, Alexandria
- 2011 (A) Alex Schultz, p 1b-of, SF East
(B) Dustin Steckler, ss-p, Garretson
- 2012 (A) Matthew Thomas, of, Brookings
(B) Jamie Jorgenson, of Groton
- 2013 (A) Greg Schafer, of, Rapid City #22
(B) Tanner Anderson, of Vermillion
- 2014 (A) Matthew Minnick, of Rapid City #22
(B) Jacob Leighton, of, Madison
- 2015 (A) Matt Vickers, 1b-p Rapid City 22
(B) Luke Loudenburg, c
McCook/Minor County
- 2016 (A) Tiegen Lindner, of Renner
(B) Brady Krause, of Milbank
- 2017 (A) Landon Badger, of Pierre
(B) Billy Mount, of Vermillion
- 2018 (A) Cooper Bowman, ss Rapid City 22
(B) Matt Gillogly, of Dell Rapids
- 2019 (A) Mason Runia, ss-p Renner
(B) Bennett Osborn, p-ss, Redfield

SOUTH DAKOTA UMPIRE ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME

In recognition of 40 years continuous and dedicated service to South Dakota Baseball, the following Umpires have earned a lifetime free pass to all American Legion Baseball State Tournaments. We thank you for impacting the lives of the young people who participate in the American Legion Baseball Program.

Rodney Burke, Harrisburg
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Gerry Leber, Colome
Glen McCready, Winner
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Allen Olson, Sioux Falls
Paul Ortman, Sioux Falls
Richard "Rock" Rockafellow, Phillip
Kerry Wenbourne, Aberdeen

**REGULATIONS FOR AMERICAN LEGION
BASEBALL TOURNAMENT PLAY**

The following are reminders for clear understanding of tournament procedures:

1. All on-field personnel will refrain from the use of tobacco (in any form) and the use of profanity.
2. No uncomplimentary remarks to, riding of, or baiting of an opponent or umpires is allowed.
3. No throwing of bats or helmets in an unsportsmanlike manner is allowed.
4. If a protest on an umpire's ruling is proposed, the decision and settlement must be made on the field before the next pitch.
5. After a game starts, a pitcher will be allotted a maximum of five (5) warm-up pitches between innings (unless umpire gives special permission for more). A relief pitcher will be allotted a maximum of eight (8) warm-up pitches — unless an injury to preceding pitcher has occurred.
6. Except for an injury, a coach or manager must remove a pitcher from the mound after making the second visit to the mound in the same inning.
7. All players should run to and from their dugouts and field positions.
8. Batboys/batgirls or a dugout member should have pitcher's jacket ready immediately upon the pitcher becoming a base runner.
9. The 10-run rule will be utilized in all State Championship tournament games and championship games in all Regional and State B Tournament play.
10. There will be no rain-shortened games unless agreed upon by participating teams prior to the start of the tournament or as the Tournament Director so directs.

YOUR COOPERATION IS REQUESTED IN CARRYING OUT THE ABOVE REGULATIONS IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE TOURNAMENT PLAY.

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2019 CLASS “A” STATE CHAMPIONS
Renner Post 307



2019 CLASS "B" STATE CHAMPIONS

Lennox Post 174



2019 CLASS “A” JR STATE CHAMPIONS
Renner Post 307



**2019 CLASS "B" JR STATE CHAMPIONS
CLAREMONT-BRITTON POST 262**

2021 SOUTH DAKOTA

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL IMPORTANT

DATES

- May 15 Team entry fee of \$100 Sr. team and \$100 Jr. team. Team entry form and proof of insurance must be filed online and received at American Legion State HQ. P.O. Box 67, Watertown, S.D., 57201. (Entry fee is \$200 for teams registering late between May 15-31).
- June 25 Two copies of American Legion Baseball Roster Form plus attachments and one copy of each Player Agreement/Parent's Consent and Release Form #2 must be filed — Class "B" teams with "B" Regional Athletic Officer, Class "A" teams with Regional Commissioner or person so designated.
- June 30 Deadline for all tournament-certified teams to have three team pictures turned into American Legion State Baseball Chairman.
- July 25 Class "B" Regional Tournaments must be completed.
- July 18 Class "A" Tournament Playoffs must be completed.
- July 23-27 Class "A" Senior State Championship Tournament at Brandon Valley, SD.
- July 23-27 Class "A" Junior State Championship Tournament at Pierre, SD.
- July 30-August 3 Class "B" Senior State Tournament at Groton, SD.
- August 6-8 Class "B" Junior State Championship Tournament at Redfield, SD.

Designated Hitter Rule

(Reprinted from: Official Rules of Major League Baseball)

6.10 (b) The rule provides as follows:

A hitter may be designated to bat for the starting pitcher and all subsequent pitchers in any game without otherwise affecting the status of the pitcher(s) in the game. A designated hitter for the pitcher must be selected prior to the game and must be included in the lineup cards presented to the Umpire in Chief.

The designated hitter named in the starting lineup must come to bat at least one time, unless the opposing club changes pitchers.

It is not mandatory that a club designate a hitter for the pitcher, but failure to do so prior to the game precludes the use of a designated hitter for that game.

Pinch hitters for a designated hitter may be used. Any substitute hitter for a designated hitter becomes the designated hitter. A replaced designated hitter shall not re-enter the game in any capacity.

The designated hitter may be used defensively, continuing to bat in the same position in the batting order, but the pitcher must then bat in the place of the substituted defensive player, unless more than one substitution is made, and the manager then must designate their spots in the batting order.

A runner may be substituted for the designated hitter and the runner assumes the role of the designated hitter. A designated hitter may not pinch run.

A designated hitter is “locked” into the batting order. No multiple substitutions may be made that will alter the batting rotation of the designated hitter.

Once the game pitcher is switched from the mound to a defensive position, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game.

Once a pinch hitter bats for any player in the batting order and then enters the game to pitch, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game.

Once the game pitcher bats for the designated hitter, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game. (The game pitcher may only pinch-hit for the designated hitter.)

Once a designated hitter assumes a defensive position, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game. A substitute for the designated hitter need not be announced until it is the designated hitter’s turn to bat.



In accordance with National American Legion
Baseball Rule 1, (V), 1., the above pictured Ameri-
can Legion Baseball Insignia must be worn on the
left sleeve or left breast of the uniform shirt. The
Insignia, stock no. 720.420, is available from State
Headquarters at \$1.50 each, plus shipping,
remittance with order.