

2023 Softball State Championship Series Schedule

1A Championship:

NC State

Game 1:	June 2	7:00 P.M.	North Duplin Home Team
Game 2:	June 3	11:00 A.M.	Union Academy Home Team
Game 3:	June 3	2:00 P.M.	North Duplin Home Team

2A Championship:

Duke University

Game 1:	June 2	5:00 P.M.	West Stanly Home Team
Game 2:	June 3	11:00 P.M.	Midway/North Johnston Home Team
Game 3:	June 3	5:00 PM*	West Stanly Home Team

3A Championship:

UNCG

Game 1:	June 2	6:00 P.M.	Western Alamance Home Team
Game 2:	June 3	12:00 A.M.	East Lincoln Home Team
Game 3:	June 3	3:00 P.M.	Western Alamance Home Team

4A Championship:

Duke University

Game 1:	June 2	7:30 P.M.	Hickory Ridge Home Team
Game 2:	June 3	2:00 P.M.	Apex Home Team
Game 3:	June 3	8:00 P.M. *	Hickory Ridge Home Team

*** If the 2A series does not go to a third game, the 4A series' deciding game, if needed, will be played at 5:00 pm on Saturday.*

SOFTBALL – STATE CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

Each competing school will receive 8 complimentary passes for admission (5 VIP and 3 School Administrator). NOTE: Family members of participating coaches are not admitted free unless they are included on this list.

ADMISSION:

- Series Pass \$20.00, Friday only ticket \$8.00, Saturday Ticket \$12.00

PRACTICING:

- Teams are not allowed on any of the championship site fields until their official warm-up for game #1 of the series. Teams will be able to utilize the outfields for warming – up.

BATTING CAGES:

- Cleats are NOT allowed in any facility's batting cages
- Batting cage area should be left neat and clean

DUGOUTS:

- Teams are expected to make sure their dugout is left clean after each game. All cups and trash, tape, etc. will need to be picked up and thrown away before teams leave

TARPS:

- In the event of inclement weather, all teams at each site will help the host site pull the tarp on the field. Tennis shoes will need to be on when pulling the tarp

PARKING:

- Each site will have its own designated parking areas and will be reviewed in each meeting
- There is no charge for spectator parking

DRESSING ROOMS:

- Dressing facilities will not be available. All teams must be dressed to play when they arrive

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES:

- Best two out of three
- The suspended game rule will be in effect
- 10 run rule will be in effect
- 15 runs after 3 will be in effect
- Practices are NOT allowed on the championship fields prior to the official warm-ups on the day of the Game

NCHSAA SITE DIRECTORS:

- NC STATE UNIVERSITY: Cecil Mock, Assistant Commissioner
- UNCG: Que Tucker, Commissioner
- DUKE UNIVERSITY: Rhonda Dreibelbis, Director of Sports and Championships

PROTEST COMMITTEE:

- Each site will have a protest committee consisting of 5 people
- Each school will have one representative (2)
- NCHSAA site director (1)
- Host site representative (1)
- Umpires will have a representative (1)

HOST SCHOOLS:

- NC STATE: South Garner High School
- UNCG: Eastern Guilford High School
- DUKE: Northern Durham High School

TRAINERS:

- Each championship series will have at least one trainer on site

GAME BALLS:

- Game balls will be provided for the contest. Each school will need to bring their own balls for warm-ups and batting tees for the cages

GIFTS:

- Each team will receive a dozen softballs

OFFICIALS:

- Umpires for the state championships series will be assigned by the NCHSAA

COACHES ATTIRE:

- Coaches must be dressed neatly and in appropriate attire. Please refer to NFHS Rule 3-5-3 of the NFHS Softball Rule Book

PLAYER UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT:

- Players must be in proper uniform and use legal equipment
- Please review NFHS Rule 3-2 (pages 32-33 of the NFHS Softball Rule Book)

CONDUCT:

- The conduct of players and coaches is the sole responsibility of the head coach
- The conduct of fans is the responsibility of the competing team's administration of athletic director, assistant principal, and principal

BAT CHECKING:

- The NCHSAA will have softball umpires at each site that will be conducting bat checks. Each bat checked will receive an NCHSAA sticker. Bats with the NCHSAA sticker will be the only bats that will be allowed during the series
- *Should a bat not pass the bat check test, the NCHSAA will keep it until the end of the series*

PRE-GAME CEREMONY:

- **Both teams must line up on their respective 1st/3rd baseline for player introductions and the playing of the National Anthem.** *Prior to Game 1 of the championship series, a student-athlete from each team will be recognized for outstanding sportsmanship throughout the year. This will take place at the conclusion of the playing of the national anthem.*

AWARDS:

- Both teams **must** participate in the championship awards ceremony.
 - NOTE: The NCHSAA provides 25 individual medals for each team—individual names for each team will be called to receive their medal. Each head coach will receive a plaque
- An MVP award will be given
- The championship team will receive t-shirts and a banner.
- No other championship shirts are allowed to be worn on-site by the winning team after the game

MEDIA REMINDERS:

- If you have not already done so, please update your team's roster and stats on MaxPreps as soon as possible.
- If your stats are in a different format, email those to Brandon Moree at brandon@nchsaa.org
- Additionally, if you have not done so, please send in a team photo and coaches/staff names to Brandon Moree brandon@nchsaa.org

EVENT REMINDERS:

NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR SPECTATORS' COOLERS WILL BE ALLOWED!!

Concessions will be available at each site.

BODY PAINT--WHICH INCLUDES THE FACE--WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

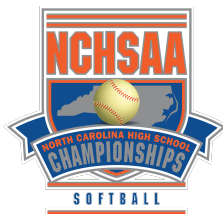
No Tobacco Products or Alcohol allowed.

(Please help us by informing your fans of these policies in advance of the games.)

UMBRELLAS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE STANDS

Fans may have them in the common areas but not while seated in the stands or on the grassy areas

CLEAR BAGS ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED



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COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS/SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD/
PROTEST COMMITTEE REP FORM
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

EMAIL to Rhonda Dreibelbis at (rhonda@nchsaa.org) by 10:00 am Wednesday, May 31, 2023

School Name _____

School Classification: 1A 2A 3A 4A (Circle One) East or West (Circle One)

Athletic Director: _____ Cell # _____

Softball Coach: _____ Cell # _____

VIP Names (Up to 5)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

School Administrators (Up to 3)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

SPORTSMANSHIP RECIPIENT _____

PROTEST COMMITTEE REP _____