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TO: Class 4-A Baseball School Athletic Directors and Coaches

RE: 2008 Baseball Tournament Seeding Information

Dear Athletic Directors and Coaches,

The Iowa High School Athletic Association Board of Control approved the Iowa Baseball Coaches Association's recommendation that tournament seeding be used in Class 4-A on a two year experimental basis for the 2008 and 2009 baseball seasons.

- There will be eight (8) substates with 6 teams in each substate.
- Each substate winner will qualify for the State Baseball Tournament. All teams will be seeded in each substate.
- The tournament assignments have been made and posted on the IHSAA website. Seeding will be used to determine all six (6) seeds in each substate.
- The seeding will be based on regular season play (games 1-30) **OR** games played through Friday, July 4, 2008. (If a school has not played thirty games through Friday, July 4, the seeding form must be faxed and your seed will be determined on the number of games you have played through Friday, July 4.)

4 Points for a victory over an **Iowa** 4-A school

3 Points for a victory over an **Iowa** 3-A school

2 Points for a victory over an **Iowa** 2-A school

1 Point for a victory over an **Iowa** 1-A school

The points are totaled for each school's regular season play (games 1-30) divided by the number of games. The teams' seeds will be determined using this per game point average.

Any varsity games played against out of state opponents **will not count toward the seeding, but will count against your overall win/loss record.**

IF A TIE FOR A SEED EXISTS:

Step 1: Head-to-head competition during the regular season games. If the tied teams did not meet or one team did not win more games than the other in head-to-head competition, then;

Step 2: The **LAST** alphabetical gets the highest seed.
(For the 2009 tournament, the **FIRST** alphabetical school will receive the highest seed.)

- In all substates, the #1 seed will play the #6 seed in the first round, the #2 seed will play the #5 seed in the first round, and the #3 seed will play the #4 seed in the first round. In the second round, the highest winning first round seed will receive the bye. The two lowest seeded winners will play each other in the second round. In the substate final, the team receiving the bye will play the winner of the second round game.

The tournament sites will be determined by the IHSAA.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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