

## 2009 NCCAA I South Region Baseball Handbook

### 1. Regional Baseball Chair

#### A. Eligibility

- 1) A coach must participate in the NCCAA I South Region for a period of no less than two years before he/she is eligible for the position of regional chair.
- 2) A coach must demonstrate administrative integrity by maintaining his/her own teams well-being with regards to eligibility and statistical reporting.

#### B. Nomination

- 1) The regional chair is to be nominated by the current South Region coaches at the regional coaches meeting.

#### C. Selection

- 1) The regional chair shall be voted on by the remaining coaches in the region.
- 2) If two or more coaches are nominated, the regional chair will be determined by the majority vote of the coaches.

### 2. Regional Coaches Meeting

#### A. Time – During the Regional Tournament at the end of each season.

#### B. Purpose – Discuss and vote on issues relating but not limited to:

- 1) All Region Athletes
- 2) Player, Pitcher, Freshman and Coach of the Year
- 3) Regional matters and decisions
- 4) Next year's Regional Tournament

### 3. Regional Tournament- May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Emmanuel College

#### A. Participating Teams – Only those teams who complete and submit national statistics are eligible to compete, as noted in the NCCAA I handbook.

#### B. Format – Up to 7 participating teams (Double Elimination, winners bracket team has to be defeated twice in championship round)

#### C. Games - 1, 7 inning game; run rule applies- 10 runs after 5 innings; Courtesy runner for catcher and pitcher; Re-entry rule for starters

#### D. Team Seeding - Region tournament seeding will be determined by the NCCAA Burbridge rating method.

#### E. Tie Breakers – 1) Head to Head Record, 2) Record vs. Higher or Lower Seed, 3) Run Differential, 4) Overall Record

### 4. Awards

#### A. All Region Athletes

##### 1) Team Members

- a) The First Team will be made up of 16 student athletes. It will include 1 catcher, 4 infielders, 3 outfielders, 4 starting pitchers, 1 relief pitcher, and 3 utility players. The utility players will be listed by their positions, i.e. P/1B.
- b) There will be no Second Team.

- 2) Criteria
- a) Athletes must be a testimony for Christ in their everyday lives on and off the field (Per individual Coach's recommendation).
  - b) Statistical information must be presented to demonstrate each athlete's ability and contribution to the sport of baseball.
- B. Region Player of the Year – Coaches may nominate an All Region player for Regional Player of the Year. If more than one player is nominated, the coaches will vote and the award will be given to the athlete with the most votes. This player will be nominated at the national level for National Pitcher of the Year.
- C. Region Pitcher of the Year – Coaches may nominate an All Region pitcher for Regional Pitcher of the Year. If more than one pitcher is nominated, the coaches will vote and the award will be given to the athlete with the most votes. This pitcher will be nominated at the national level for National Pitcher of the Year.
- D. Freshman of the Year – Coaches may nominate a freshman for Regional Freshman of the Year. If more than one freshman is nominated, the coaches will vote and the award will be given to the athlete with the most votes.
- E. Coach of the Year- Coaches will take an anonymous ballot vote. They will circle their first choice and underline their second choice. Two points will be awarded for each circled name and one point will be awarded for each underlined name. The coach with the most points will be awarded Coach of the Year. This coach will be nominated at the nation level for the National Coach of the Year.