



STATE TOURNAMENT BULLETIN

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COVID-19

- Due to COVID-19 guidelines, only **825** spectators will be allowed into the North Frasch Softball Complex per session. Tickets (\$13.00 each) will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Please be prepared to social distance while waiting to enter the park. Upon entry, everyone will get a temperature check and masks are mandatory at all times.
- Each ticket (\$13.00 each) purchased is good for that session/game only. The park will be cleared after each session for sanitization and there will be **no re-entry** to the park once you exit.
- Saturday's Championship tickets (\$13.00) will be available to purchase after the semi-final game.
- There will not be a LHSAA/LHSCA coaches' gate due to the limited capacity. Non-participating coaches, administration, and officials will need to purchase a ticket to enter. Participating coaches **will not** be allowed to use their card for anyone other than themselves. Only submitted rostered coaches will be allowed entry with their team. The 24-team member roster will be strictly enforced and adhered to. Any person over and/or not listed on the 24 maximum roster limits will need a ticket due to the limited capacity, this includes trainers. **NO HOSPITALITY ROOM WILL BE PROVIDED DUE TO COVID-19.**
- Concession stands will be open, no outside food or beverage allowed.
- Media will be required to get a temperature check upon entry.
- Teams will be required to bring individual water bottles that do not conflict with LHSAA Partner Powerade. Coolers will not be provided due to COVID-19.
- Any Bi-District, Regional, Quarterfinal, Semi-Final or Final game that is cancelled due to COVID-19 will be a forfeit without a financial penalty to the school. Playoff games will not be postponed due to positive cases.

2020-21 SOFTBALL IMPORTANT DATES

This Bulletin is for your benefit. Please read and make sure all necessary parties receive the correct information concerning the event.

DATE	EVENT
Thursday, April 15, 2021 By 10:00 PM <i>(LHSAA By-law 19.6.1)</i>	Deadline to email 1 st Place District Final Standing forms to LHSAA Assistant Executive Director, Mrs. Karen Hoyt (khoyt@lhsaa.org) - All Classes & Divisions
Friday, April 16, 2021 <i>(LHSAA By-law 6.12.6)</i>	Playoff Pairings Named/Brackets Released - All Classes & Divisions
Friday, April 16, 2021 <i>(LHSAA By-laws 6.13.6 & 19.11.8)</i>	Deadline to Submit Program Roster Information - All Classes & Divisions. Roster form can be found here .

<u>Softball Playoff Dates:</u> Monday, April 19, 2021 Wednesday, April 21, 2021 Saturday, April 24, 2021	<u>Deadline:</u> Bi-District Round Regional Round Quarterfinal Round	<u>Class/Division:</u> All Classes All Classes & Divisions All Classes & Divisions
<p><u>LHSAA State Softball Tournament</u> <u>Semifinals:</u> Thursday, April 29, 2021 – Friday, April 30, 2021 <u>Finals:</u> Saturday, May 1, 2021 North Fresch Softball Complex, Sulphur, LA</p>		

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GENERAL INFORMATION

CATEGORY	DATE/INFORMATION
State Tournament- Dates/Site	Thursday, April 29 th – Saturday, May 1, 2021 North Frasch Softball Complex Sulphur, LA
Tournament Director	Karen Hoyt LHSAA Assistant Executive Director Email: khoyt@lhsaa.org Office: (225) 300-4215
Assistant to Tournament Director	S. Lacy Macdiarmid LHSAA Administrative Assistant Email: lmacdiarmid@lhsaa.org Office: (225) 300-4208
SPAR Director	Steve Gayfield Email: sgayfield@sulphurparks.com
Assistant to SPAR Director	Laurie Koelzer Email: spar@sulphurparks.com
SPAR Tournament Coordinator	Hannah Veazay Email: hveazey@sulphurparks.com
Admission	\$13 per session each day To purchase digital tickets online click here .
Other	Official Game Ball – Baden Perfection 2BSFPY (Optic Yellow) 2020 National Federation Softball Playing and LHSAA Rules will be followed.

2020-21 STATE TOURNAMENT
SITE INFORMATION

CATEGORY	DATE/INFORMATION
Buses	Please see map on page 9 of this bulletin.
Team Entry	Each team must enter through the Entrance Gate listed on page 9 of this bulletin and will be checked in using each teams submitted roster form. <u>ALL SOFTBALL BATS SHALL BE COMPRESSION TESTED PRIOR TO/AND DURING TEAM PHOTOS. NO EXCEPTIONS.</u>
Team & Individual Pictures	RomaPics will be in attendance two (2) hours prior to the first games on Thursday and Friday. Participating team & individual pictures will <i>only</i> be taken during the assigned times & fields and before warming up for their game. Late arrivals will wait until RomaPics has an opening.
Practice Fields	Contact SPAR (337-527-2500) for availability and day and time to schedule. Contact must be made by 5:00 pm, Wednesday, April 29, 2020.
Game Fields	Fields 13-20: Infield is turf including the pitcher's mound and home plate. Outfield is natural grass. <i>Metal cleats are not allowed on the turf field pitching mounds and pitchers should make accommodations accordingly.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Turf shoes and molded cleats are allowed. ▪ <u>NO seeds, gum, tobacco, confetti and/or shelled products allowed. (SEE PROHIBITED ITEMS)</u>
Team Dugouts <i>(LHSAA By-law 6.13.9(4-5))</i>	The home team (higher seed) shall occupy the third base dugout, and the visiting team shall occupy the first base dugout.
Infield Warmup	Each team will be allowed 10 minutes of infield prior to the game. The home team shall take the infield first, followed by the visiting team.
Warm & Walk-Up Music	Walk up music is not permitted at the state tournament.
Team Post-Game Protocol <i>(LHSAA By-laws 5.11.11 & 5.11.14)</i>	<u>Finals:</u> Both schools are required to remain on the field, participate in the awards ceremony until its completion and cooperate and attend. Failure to do so will result in the offending school being fined.
Team Meals	Must be in uniform and present ticket. <i>(Thursday & Friday - Semifinal Rounds Only)</i>
Travel Information	Teams and spectators need to check traffic conditions @ LA DOTD in area to allow for enough time to reach tournament site.

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SITE INFORMATION CONTINUED

CATEGORY	DATE/INFORMATION
Rain Delays/Postponements <i>(By-law 6.15.2)</i>	The tournament director has the sole jurisdiction to postpone and/or cancel the start of a/the game. Once the umpire’s jurisdiction begins, they have the sole authority to suspend a/the game due to inclement weather. Games are scheduled on a day-to-day basis including Sunday, if necessary.
Rain Check Vouchers	Rain check vouchers will be available.
Non-Participating Teams/ Spirit & Support Groups & Bands	<u>Any/all</u> spirit, support groups, bands and non-participating teams must purchase a ticket to enter due to COVID-19 capacity limits. <u>ZERO EXCEPTIONS!!</u>
All-Academic Recipients	All-Academic awards have been mailed to recipient’s school. If you have any questions, please contact Renee’ Ballard at rballard@lhsaa.org
Participating School Supervision/ Responsibilities & Prohibited Item Information	<p><u>Schools are responsible for the following:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Informing all their athletes, students, fans, etc. of any/all LHSAA and/or North Frasch Softball Complex prohibited items, policies, etc. 2) Any and all actions and/or behavior of all their athletes, students and/or fans. <p><u>The following items are prohibited in North Frasch Softball Complex, including, but not limited to, the fields, dugouts, and bleachers.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Outside Food & Beverages (Concessions will be available) ▪ Seeds or Shelled Food Items ▪ Gum ▪ Tobacco Products (Including vapors and smokeless products)
Animals/Pets/Live Mascots Policy	<p><u>Only ADA Service animals</u> are allowed in North Frasch Softball Complex with the <u>ADA</u> requiring that service animals be under the control of the handler at all times.</p> <p>Any/all animals, including but not limited to, live mascots of any kind are <u>strictly prohibited. ZERO EXCEPTIONS!!</u></p>

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 MEDIA & BROADCASTING INFORMATION

CATEGORY	DATE/INFORMATION
Media/Radio/ Internet Broadcasting & Game Video	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For any/all media information and questions, please contact Vincent Cacioppo @ vcacioppo@lhsaa.org. - LHSAA News & Media: https://www.lhsaa.org/news-and-media
Broadcasting & Game Video	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NFHS Network will be broadcasting and live streaming entire tournament. - Live streaming of any kind is strictly prohibited during the entirety of the championships. Fines shall be levied against any person/persons attending school caught live streaming without written consent from the LHSAA.

2020-21 STATE TOURNAMENT HOTEL INFORMATION
FOR PARTICIPATING TEAMS ONLY

HOTEL SUPERVISION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teams must be supervised at all times! The school will be responsible for any damage to assigned rooms or hotels and their property.
HOTEL BOOKING PROTOCOL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IMPORTANT: All team rooms must be booked through a hotel provided on the link below in order to receive your \$400.00 reimbursement from Sulphur Parks and Recreation.
HOTEL BOOKING LINK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - https://mmxreservations.com/fer/visitlc?pageCode=GirlsSoftball2021

2020-21 STATE TOURNAMENT PLAYING SCHEDULE

As official games are scheduled, field assignments will be updated on each individual online bracket.

SEMI-FINALS – Thursday, April 29 th		
FIELD	11:00 AM SESSION	4:00 PM SESSION
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SEMI-FINALS – Friday, April 30 th		
FIELD	11:00 AM SESSION	4:00 PM SESSION
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FINALS – Saturday, May 1 st		
FIELD	11:00 AM SESSION	4:00 PM SESSION
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Championships Locations & Directions (map not to scale)

1 Rec & Aquatic Center

2 Frasch Park & Golf Course

3 North Frasch Park

5 Pattison Park

7 McMurry Park

Warm-Up & Practice Sites

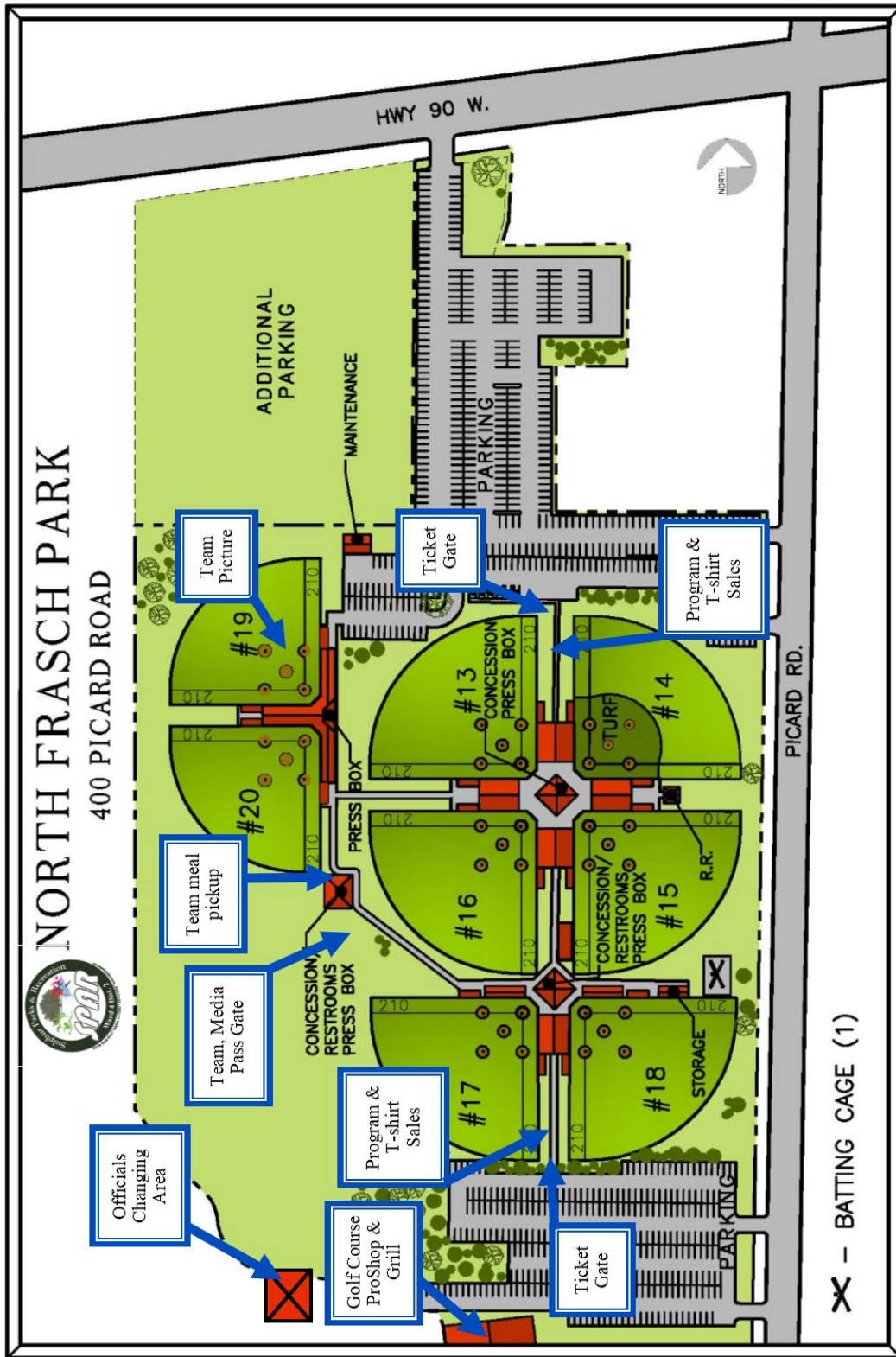
1 Rec & Aquatic Center/Waterpark & Administrative Offices
337-527-2500
933 W Parish Rd Sulphur, LA 70663
Exit 20 Travel north on Ruth St for 0.55 mi. Turn left on Parish Rd for 0.62 mi. Rec & AQ Center/Waterpark is on left.

3 North Frasch Complex
400 Picard Rd Sulphur, LA 70663
Exit 20 Travel north on Ruth St for 0.55 mi. Turn left on Parish Rd for 0.58 mi. Turn right on Picard Rd 0.54 mi for south entrance on left & 0.75 mi for north entrance on left.

5 Pattison Park
1400 Picard Rd Sulphur, LA 70663
baseball softball
restrooms picnic
Play Structures walking

Exit 20 Travel north on Ruth St for 0.55 mi. Turn left on Parish Rd for 0.58 mi. Turn right on Picard Rd 0.54 mi for south entrance on left & 0.75 mi for north entrance on left.

State Softball Championships Tournament Layout





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THE LHSAA WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING 2020 - 2021 PARTNERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS IN LOUISIANA.

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