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## **LHSAA State Softball Championship Schedule Adjusted Due to Weather Delays**

**SULPHUR, LA** – The Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) has announced changes to the 2025 state softball championship schedule following weather-related delays.

Earlier today, Ochsner Sports Medicine officials alerted LHSAA staff to nearby lightning in the Sulphur area. Out of an abundance of caution, play was postponed for just over an hour as lightning persisted in the vicinity. The National Weather Service later advised Sulphur Parks and Recreation (SPAR) officials that lightning activity was expected to continue throughout the remainder of Friday and into Friday evening.

In response, LHSAA staff met with all state tournament head coaches on-site, along with SPAR officials, to assess scheduling options. After careful discussion, all parties unanimously agreed to suspend play for the rest of Friday and reschedule the remaining games.

To ensure athlete safety and competitive fairness, coaches also voted against playing doubleheaders on Saturday. As a result, the championship games originally set for Saturday have been moved to Sunday.

Fans tickets that were purchased for Fridays semi-final games will be honored on Saturday and the tickets purchased for Saturday's Championship games will be honored on Sunday.

The revised schedule is as follows:

- Games originally scheduled for **2:30 PM on Friday, May 2** will now be played at **12:00 PM on Saturday, May 3**.
- Games originally scheduled for **5:00 PM on Friday, May 2** will now be played at **3:00 PM on Saturday, May 3**.
- **Championship games** will now be held on **Sunday, May 4**, with no changes to their originally planned times.

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The full updated schedule is available on the **softball page** of the LHSAA website under Championship information > Updated Playing Schedule:

[www.lhsaa.org/softball](http://www.lhsaa.org/softball)

LHSAA thanks all teams, coaches, families, and fans for their patience and understanding as we prioritize the safety of all involved.

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