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## **Annual League Meeting – June 28th, 2022**

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- **Be mindful of the fact that you are representing your team, your school, and yourself**



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# Agenda

- What is CollClubSports?
  - Meet the NCSA Staff
- 2021-2022 – A Year in Review
- 2022-2023 – What’s to Come
  - Timetable
  - Sponsors & Fundraising
  - Voting Ballot Procedures
    - League Issues



# Mission

- The National Federation of Collegiate Club Sports Leagues, L.L.C. (CollClubSports) is a compilation of governing bodies which oversee collegiate club athletics.
- We are driven to provide collegiate student-athletes with the opportunity to participate in competitive, organized collegiate club athletic leagues, and to continually enhance this experience for all participants.
- We strive to accomplish this by building lasting relationships based upon trust, commitment, dedication, understanding, and **strong lines of communication.**



# What is CollClubSports?

- National Federation of Collegiate Club Sports Leagues, L.L.C.
- National Club Baseball Association (NCBA DI, DII, & DIII)
  - Founded 2000 – 34 teams – grown to 306 teams
- National Club Softball Association (NCSA)
  - Founded 2006 – 33 teams – grown to 142 teams
- National Club Football Association (NCFA)
  - Founded 2009 – 16 teams – grown to 20 teams
- National Club Basketball Association (NCBBA)
  - Men's – Founded 2013 – 28 teams – grown to 122 teams
  - Women's – Founded 2019 – 59 teams





# Meet the NCSA Staff

## FRONT OFFICE

- President – Sandy Sanderson
- Vice President of Softball Operations – Christian Smith
- Assistant Director of Softball Operations – Lacie Lautner
- Treasurer – Sandy Sanderson Sr.
- Accounting Specialist – Jeanne Krachala
- Rawlings Sponsor Account Manager – Mike Galletti
- The Game Sponsor Account Manager – Felicia Battaglia
- Fundraising/Travel Sponsor Account Manager – Eric Curitore



# Meet the NCSA Staff

## Regional Directors

- North Atlantic Region – Open Position – Apply Now!
- Mid Atlantic Region – Melissa Culbertson
- Mid-America Region – Lacie Lautner
- Great Lakes Region – Open Position – Apply Now!
- South Atlantic Region – Mara Schemel
- New England Region – Open Position – Apply Now!
- Pacific Region – Emily Goodspeed
- Great American Region – Jamie Wilson



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# 2021-2022 – A Year in Review

- Membership
- Rule Changes
- Invitational Tournaments
  - Regular Season
  - Regional Playoffs
  - NCSA World Series
    - All-Americans
- NCSA Sportsmanship Award



# 2021-2022 Growth

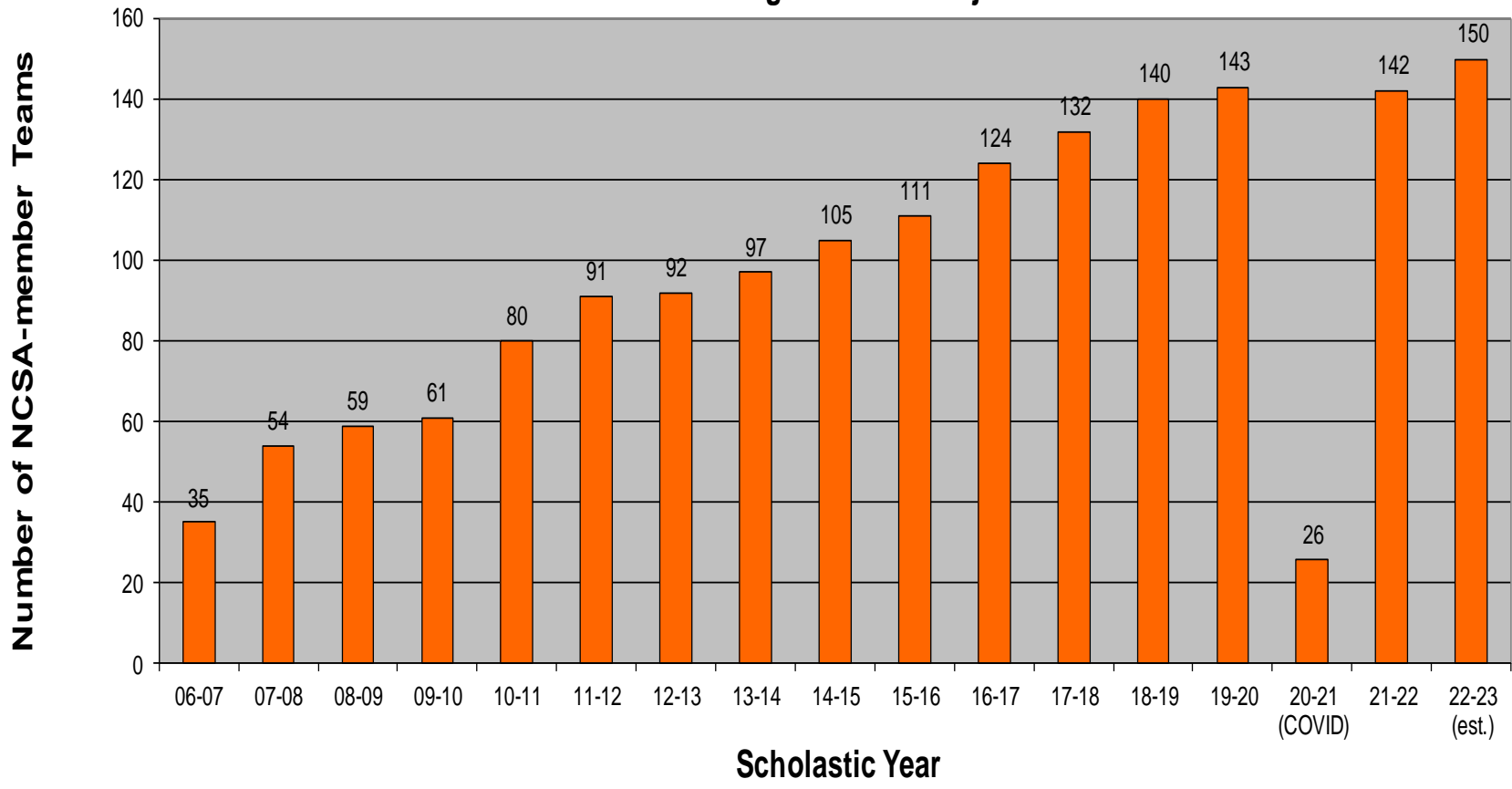
## **Five New Teams joined:**

- Auburn University
- Pittsburg State University
  - Rochester University
  - Sacred Heart (White)
- Slippery Rock University



# NCSA Growth

NCSA League Growth Projections





# 2021-22 Rules

- Last year's NCSA League Meeting brought about a series of changes to the 21-22 NCSA Rule Book
- All NCSA member teams were given the opportunity to propose and debate desired rule changes
- The NCSA Front office created a voting ballot for teams to vote FOR or AGAINST proposed rule changes following the meeting
- All NCSA member teams were given the opportunity to cast a vote on each proposed rule change via ballot
- The results of these votes altered the NCSA Rules, thus creating the 2021-2022 NCSA Official Rulebook.





# 2021-22 Rule Changes

- Only one rule change was approved for adoption which allowed the use of the safety bag at first base without requiring it.

## 9.00.00 (Field of Play)

9.01.0 The safety bag at first base is an allowable field of play option for all NCSA-sanctioned games.



# Fall Invitational 2021-22

## Tournaments

- ① Peach State Classic
  - October 23-24, 2021
  - Columbus, GA South Commons Softball Complex
  - Clemson University, University of Georgia University of Central Florida, University of Florida, Northern Arizona University, University of North Georgia and Kennesaw State University
  - Champions: **Clemson University**
- ① First State Showdown
  - October 9-10, 2021
  - Midway Softball Complex- Wilmington, DE
  - Delaware, NC State, PITT, TCNJ, Montclair State, Temple, Loyola (MD), UNC-Chapel Hill, Towson, Sacred Heart (Red)
  - Champions: **University of Delaware**



# Fall Invitational 2021-22

## Tournaments

- ① Indy invitational
  - October 2-3, 2021
  - Elkhart, IN- Riverview Softball Complex
  - University of Illinois, Grand Valley State University, Adrian College, Central Michigan University, University of Michigan, Lake Superior State University, Michigan State University, University of Missouri, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, And Western Michigan University
  - Champions: **Michigan State University**



# Regular Season

- Regular Season runs from September 15<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – May 31, 2022
- 8 Regions totaling 25 Conferences
  - New England (East/Central/South/West)
  - North Atlantic (Central/North/South)
  - Mid-Atlantic (North/South/West)
  - South Atlantic (East/South/West)
  - Great Lakes (East/South/West)
  - Mid America (Central/East/West)
  - Great America (East/South/West)
  - Pacific (Central/North/South)
- Each team scheduled to play each conference opponent in a 3-game series
- Each team then supplemented their schedule with non-conference games at their discretion



# National Pitcher of the week Winners

## NCSA Pitchers of the Week

Week	Dates	Team	Pitcher of the Week	Stats
Week 1	Sept 15 - Sept 19	ECU	Emily Merritt	10 Inn - 2W - 0ER - 1R - 6 H - 4 BB - 2 K
Week 2	Sept 20 - Sept 26	Virginia Tech	Mia Garrett	7 Inn - 1W - 0R - 4 H - 1 BB - 7 K
Week 3	Sept 27 - Oct 3	Michigan	Jacqueline Spizizen	17 Inn - 2W - 1L - 3ER - 3R - 11 H - 0 BB - 29 K
Week 4	Oct 4 - Oct 10	Iowa State	Erin McPike	5 Inn - 1W - 0R - 1 H - 0 BB - 11 K
Week 5	Oct 11 - Oct 17	GVSU	Grace Odenbach	10 Inn - 2W - 0R - 4 H - 0 BB - 9 K
Week 6	Oct 18 - Oct 24	Michigan	Jacqueline Spizizen	12 Inn - 2W - 1ER - 3R - 5 H - 1 BB - 23 K
Week 7	Oct 25 - Oct 31	Penn State	Ashton Crump	7 Inn - 1W - 0R - 5 H - 0 BB - 13 K
Week 8	Nov 1 - Nov 7	Michigan	Jacqueline Spizizen	5 Inn - 1W - 0R - 0 H - 0 BB - 14 K
Week 9	Nov 8 - Nov 14	Auburn	Victoria Wright	9 Inn - 2W - 1ER - 3R - 7 H - 2 BB - 5 K
Week 23	Feb 14-Feb20	Florida	Jade Vahn	11 inn- 2 W-8K
Week 24	Feb 21-Feb 27	ECU	Emily White	21inn-3W
Week 25	Feb28-Mar 6	Georgia	Addison Andrews	14 Inn- 3 ER- 10 K
Week 26	Mar 7- Mar 13	Sacramento State	Amelia Perry	12.2 Inn-3W-9K-12ER
Week 27	Mar14-Mar 20	Georgia	Kinley Phillips	3INN-0W-8K-0ER
Week 28	Mar 21-MAR27	Illinois	Krystal Levitske	7 INN-0W-16-0ER
Week 29	MAR 28- APR3	St. Bonaventure	Erica Gustafson	7 INN- 15 K 1 W
Week 30	APR 4-APR10	Umaine	Danielle Hall	5INN- 13 K- 1W-2H-2ER
Week 32	Apr 18- Apr 24	Illinois	Krystal Levitske	14Inn-17K



# National Player of the week Winners

## NCSA Players of the Week

Week	Dates	Team	Player of the Week	Stats
Week 1	Sept 15 - Sept 19	Central Michigan	Shayna Draves	2GP - 6/9 - 1 RBI - 6 R - 1 SB
Week 2	Sept 20 - Sept 26	St. Bonaventure	Bridget O'Hern	3GP - 9/9 - (2)2B - (1)3B - 2HR - 5 RBI - 7 R
Week 3	Sept 27 - Oct 3	Sacred Heart - Red	Hailey King	6GP - 13/22 - (5)2B - (2)3B - 1HR - 12 RBI - 8 R - 3 SB
Week 4	Oct 4 - Oct 10	Central Michigan	Abby D'Alfonso	3GP - 8/12 - (2)2B - 2HR - 10 RBI - 4 R
Week 5	Oct 11 - Oct 17	NC State	Katie Home	2GP - 8/8 - (1)2B - 3HR - 10 RBI - 4 R - 4 BB
Week 6	Oct 18 - Oct 24	Air Force	Shennan Waldron	3GP - 11/11 - (2)2B - 1HR - 7 RBI - 7 R - 2 BB
Week 7	Oct 25 - Oct 31	ECU	Le'Onna Nelson	3GP - 7/8 - (1)2B - 2HR - 8 RBI - 8 R - 4 SB - 4 BB
Week 8	Nov 1 - Nov 7	Michigan	Lauren Sancya	2GP - 7/7 - (4)2B - 1HR - 10 RBI - 4 R
Week 9	Nov 8 - Nov 14	Washington State	Laina Delgado	3GP - 8/12 - (2)2B - (3)3B - 14 RBI - 3 R - 1 BB
Week 23	Feb 14-Feb20	NAU	Alyiah Poplawski	2GP - 5/8-2 RBI-2HR-6R 2SB
Week 24	Feb21-Feb27	ECU	Bailey Burton	3GP-8/12-11RBI-1HR
Week 25	Feb 28-Mar 6	UC Davis	Hannah Hopper	3 GP- 7-9- 1(2B)-6RBI 4R -2SB
Week 26	Ma r7- Mar 13	Sacramento State	Sierra Silva	3GP-10/11- 2(2B)-7RBI-6R-6SB
Week 27	Mar 14- Mar20	Georgia	Kinley Phillips	3 GP, 8-11, 3RBI,7RS, 4SB
Week 28	Mar21- Mar28	UNE	Alexa Lanteri	3GP, 6-13, 10 RBI-4HR
Week 29	Mar 28- Apr 3	St. Bonaventure	Bridget O'Hern	3 GP- 12-12- 9 RBI-1 (2B)-3 (3B)
Week 30	APR 4- Apr 10	Michigan State	Taelor Zeise	3 GP- 7-8- 7 RBI- 1 W -2HR-
Week 32	Apr 18-Apr 24	Iowa	Katherine Westbrook	3GP-4-9 4RBI-3(2B)



# Regional Playoffs

- **New England**

- Danville, PA- Echo Field Complex
- University of Maine, Cornell University, St. Bonaventure and University of Connecticut
- CHAMPION: **University of Connecticut**

- **North Atlantic**

- Danville, PA- Echo Field Complex
- University of Delaware, Sacred Heart (Red), Penn State University, and Rutgers University
- CHAMPION: **University of Delaware**

- **Mid-Atlantic**

- Slippery Rock, PA- Dr. James P. McFarland Recreational Sports Complex
- Virginia Tech, James Madison University, University of Pittsburgh, and Ohio University
- CHAMPION: **Virginia Tech**

- **South Atlantic**

- Clemson, SC
- North Carolina State University, Florida State University, University of Georgia and Clemson University
- CHAMPION: **Clemson University**





# Regional Playoffs

- **Great Lakes**
  - Elkhart, IN- Riverview Softball Complex
  - Grand Valley State University, University of Wisconsin, Michigan State University, Central Michigan University
  - CHAMPION: **Michigan State**
- **Great American**
  - Elkhart, IN-Riverview Softball Complex
  - University of Michigan, University of Cincinnati, University of Illinois, and Xavier University
  - CHAMPION: **University of Michigan**
- **Mid-America**
  - Overland Park, KS-Blue Valley Recreation Complex
  - Arkansas State University, Air Force Academy, University of Iowa, and University of Colorado
  - CHAMPION: **Arkansas State University**
- **Pacific**
  - Yuba City, CA- Blackburn Talley Park
  - University of Oregon, University of California-Davis, Northern Arizona University, and Sacramento State University
  - CHAMPION: **Northern Arizona University**

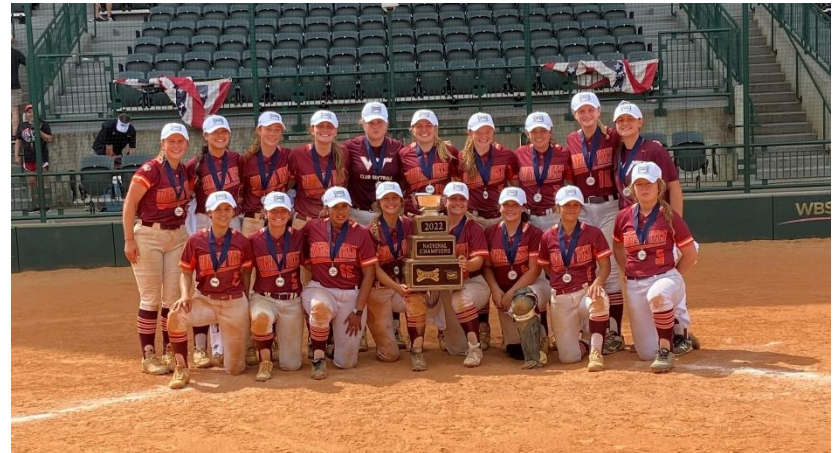




# 2022 NCSA World Series

- 2022 Columbus, GA (South Commons Softball Complex)
  - Featured 16 teams
  - Dates: May 19-22, 2022
  - Four games of Seeding Round play for each team
  - Reseeded for Double-Elimination Round

**Congratulations to Virginia Tech  
for winning the National Championship**





# 2022 All-American Teams

## 2022 NCSA 1st Team All-Americans

Position	Team	Name
CATCHER	Northern Arizona University	Alyiah Poplawski
FIRST BASE	University of Illinois	Emma Jacobs
SECOND BASE	University of Illinois	Mary O'Brien
THIRD BASE	Northern Arizona University	Taylor Brown
SHORT STOP	University of Illinois	Carina Martinez
DESIGNATED PLAYER	Sacred Heart-Red	Dreya Weaver
OUTFIELD	University of Illinois	Jane Moran
OUTFIELD	Sacred Heart-Red	Hailey King
OUTFIELD	University of Illinois	Hannah Ban
Pitcher	Team	Name
PITCHER	University of Michigan	Jacqueline Spizizen
PITCHER	University of Michigan	Mayah Alam
PITCHER	University of Illinois	Krystal Levitske

## 2022 NCSA 2nd Team All-Americans

Position	Team	Name
CATCHER	University of Delaware	Kara Kasnic
FIRST BASE	Northern Arizona University	Bailey Akin
SECOND BASE	Sacred Heart-Red	Carlie Corrigan
THIRD BASE	University of Illinois	Christina Tomala
SHORT STOP	Northern Arizona University	Monica Encinas
DESIGNATED PLAYER	University of Michigan	Emma Curran
OUTFIELD	University of Illinois	Anna McMillan
OUTFIELD	Northern Arizona University	Hannah Hoppe
OUTFIELD	Lake Superior State University	Ashley Menominee
Pitcher	Team	Name
PITCHER	University of Delaware	Casey Martin
PITCHER	Virginia tech	Mary Pauly
PITCHER	University of Illinois	Kacie Vlach

## 2022 NCSA 3rd Team All-Americans

Position	Team	Name
CATCHER	University of Michigan	Sophie Rallis
FIRST BASE	Sacred Heart-Red	Kristina Constantino
SECOND BASE	University of Delaware	Erin Jennings
THIRD BASE	University of Delaware	Megan Purinton
SHORT STOP	Central Michigan	Kelsey Hubbard
DESIGNATED PLAYER	Northern Arizona University	Brylee Denbo
OUTFIELD	Central Michigan	Miranda Urban
OUTFIELD	Sacred Heart-Red	Kassidy Pratt
OUTFIELD	Northern Arizona University	Corissa Burgoyne
Pitcher	Team	Name
PITCHER	University of Illinois	Zoey Witruk
PITCHER	Sacred Heart-Red	Kylie McNamara
PITCHER	Virginia Tech	Mia Garrett





# NCSA Sportsmanship Award

Nomination criteria (one or more of the following):

- Nominee's act positively affected a community's sports culture and game environment.
- Nominee's act clearly demonstrates sportsmanship.
- Nominee displayed act(s) of integrity that go beyond the sport's playing rules and etiquette.
- Nominee made decisions that while difficult or unpopular, are respectful of the game/opponent.
- Nominee put others' needs ahead of their own.
- Multiple individuals may be considered if involved in the same act.
- Nominee must be a member of an NCSA team during the current academic year.
- Testimonial submissions limited to 500 words max.



# NCSA Sportsmanship Award

- 2019-2020 marked the first year for the NCSA Sportsmanship Award
- 2022 Award Recipient – Currently Accepting nominations – Announcing recipient in July!

## 2021 NCSA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

### JACKIE MCNULLA







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# 2022-23 – What's to Come

- NCSA Staffing
  - New Teams
- Conference Realignment/Scheduling
  - 2022 Fall Tournaments
  - Rawlings Top 20 Poll
- Swing into Spring – Panama City Beach
  - Regionals
  - World Series
- Team Operations for successful season



# NCSA Staffing

- Looking to hire another full time staff member
  - Full time employment with benefits in softball operations
  - Headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA – Relocation assistance
  - Interested? Send your resume to [info@colclubsports.com](mailto:info@colclubsports.com) for more details
- We Need Your Alumni!
  - The NCSA is looking for club softball Alumni who want to volunteer to stay involved with the NCSA so we can continue to operate successfully and grow.
  - We are looking for:
    - Regional Directors
    - Top 20 Voters
    - Tournament Staff
  - Great opportunity to stay involved, gain experience, or build a resume
  - No out of pocket expenses, just want your passion to help the sport grow





# New Teams Committed 2022-23

- ① **Stonehill College**
- ① **Western Colorado University**
- ① **Fairfield University**
- ① **Central Maine Community College**
- ① **Southern Illinois University Edwardsville**
- ① **University of South Carolina**



# Teams Interested in joining the NCSA:

**Campbell University**  
**College of Charleston**  
**Elon University**  
**Mercyhurst University**  
**Northern Kentucky University**  
**Ole Miss**  
**Rider University**  
**University of Dayton**  
**University of Lynchburg**  
**University of Minnesota**  
**University of South Florida**  
**UT-San Antonio**  
**Washtenaw CC**  
**Western Carolina University**  
**Youngstown State**



# Conference Realignment

- 22/23 Season: Once NCSA collects renewal LPA's and completes enrollment of new teams, conferences will be realigned as needed to arrange teams geographically to minimize travel.
- Ultimate Goal: 8 Regions (all across country) with each region consisting of 3 conferences and each conference consisting of 6-7 teams.
- Once 144 teams are reached in one season, NCSA will consider expansion in to DI and DII leagues.



# Conference Scheduling

- Schedule Request Form
  - Due August 7<sup>th</sup> – please adhere to deadlines
  - Be accurate, be thorough, be flexible
  - We are looking for availability first, then preferences
  - See Sample Form on next slide
- Goal is to have conference schedules released by August 30<sup>th</sup>
- After Conference Schedules are released, teams are encouraged to start scheduling non-conference games
  - Once non-conference game(s) are confirmed, regional directors must be notified so they can add them to the website



# Sample Schedule Request Form

Team Name	Dates		Preferred Location (Home, Away, Either, or Off)	Reason (Spring Break, Field Availability, Weather, Parents Weekend, etc...)	Weather Prediction (Good, Bad, So-So)	Games already Scheduled (Opponent, Where, When)
	Start	End				
PCU						
Week 1*	9/15/2021	9/19/2021		*NCSA Season Officially Begins on 9/15		
Week 2	9/20/2021	9/26/2021	OFF	Tryouts		
Week 3	9/27/2021	10/3/2021	OFF	Tryouts		
Week 4	10/4/2021	10/10/2021	Home	Football Weekend		
Week 5	10/11/2021	10/17/2021	Away	No field Available		
Week 6	10/18/2021	10/24/2021	Either			
Week 7	10/25/2021	10/31/2021	OFF	Fall Tournament		
Week 8	11/1/2021	11/7/2021	Away	No field Available		
Week 9	11/8/2021	11/14/2021	Either			
Week 10	11/15/2021	11/21/2021	Home			
Week 11	11/22/2021	11/28/2021	OFF	Thanksgiving		
Week 12	11/29/2021	12/5/2021	OFF	Finals		
Week 13	12/6/2021	12/12/2021	OFF	Winter Break		
Week 14	12/13/2021	12/19/2021	OFF	Winter Break		
Week 15	12/20/2021	12/26/2021	OFF	Winter Break		
Week 16	12/27/2021	1/2/2022	OFF	Winter Break		
Week 17	1/3/2022	1/9/2022	OFF	Winter Break		
Week 18	1/10/2022	1/16/2022	OFF	Practice		
Week 19	1/17/2022	1/23/2022	OFF	Practice		
Week 20	1/24/2022	1/30/2022	Away	Weather		
Week 21	1/31/2022	2/6/2022	Away	Weather		
Week 22	2/7/2022	2/13/2022	Away	Weather		
Week 23	2/14/2022	2/20/2022	Either			
Week 24	2/21/2022	2/27/2022	Either			
Week 25	2/28/2022	3/6/2022	Either			
Week 26	3/7/2022	3/13/2022	Home	Parents Weekend		
Week 27	3/14/2022	3/20/2022	Either			
Week 28	3/21/2022	3/27/2022	Either			
Week 29	3/28/2022	4/3/2022	Either			
Week 30	4/4/2022	4/10/2022	EITHER	RESERVED FOR MAKE UP GAMES		
Week 31	4/11/2022	4/17/2022	EITHER	RESERVED FOR MAKE UP GAMES		
Week 32	4/18/2022	4/24/2022		RESERVED FOR REGIONAL PLAYOFFS		
Week 33	4/25/2022	5/1/2022		RESERVED FOR REGIONAL PLAYOFFS (If Necessary Date)		
Week 34	5/2/2022	5/8/2022		RESERVED FOR WORLD SERIES PREPARATIONS		
Week 35	5/9/2022	5/15/2022		RESERVED FOR WORLD SERIES PREPARATIONS		
Week 36	5/16/2022	5/22/2022		2022 NCSA WORLD SERIES (Columbus, GA)		
Week 37	5/23/2022	5/29/2022				



# Rawlings Top 20 Poll

- Prior to the season, the NCSA will assemble a Top-20 Voting Panel comprised of current/past NCSA Coaches, Players and NCSA Staff members.
- During the season, scores will be submitted each Monday and the NCSA website will be updated with results every Tuesday.
- Every month, the voting panel will submit a new Top 20 Poll voting ballot.
- **LOOKING FOR QUALIFIED, UNBIASED, OBJECTIVE VOLUNTEERS TO SIT ON VOTING PANEL**



# Rawlings Top 20 Poll

RANK	TEAM	TOTAL POINTS	PREVIOUS RANK
1	Virginia Tech	300	3
2	University of Georgia	285	7
3	Florida State University	270	17
4	Michigan State University	243	10
5	Clemson University	237	6
6	University of Michigan	231	2
7	Arkansas State University	211	4
8	Air Force Academy	194	15
9	University of Illinois	174	5
10	University of Delaware	172	1
11	University of Wisconsin	135	13
12	Northern Arizona University	133	8
13	University of Connecticut	113	9
14	Penn State University	89	11
15	North Carolina State University	79	14
16	University of Pittsburgh	56	12
17	Sacred Heart University (Red)	42	18
17	James Madison University	42	NR
19	Grand Valley State University	36	19
20	University of Cincinnati	32	16

**Max Points Available: 300; (#) = First Place Votes**

**Others Receiving Votes:**

Cal State University - Sacramento	30	Cornell University	11
Pittsburg State University	18	University of Maine	2
Rutgers University	13	Grand Canyon University	1

# 2022 Fall Tournaments

- All games count toward overall record and stats

## **NCSA Indy Invitational - Elkhart, IN**

- October 8-9, 2022
- Riverview Softball Complex
- 8 to 16 teams (4 game guarantee)



## **NCSA First State Showdown - Wilmington, DE**

- Midway Softball Complex
- October 8-9, 2022
- 8 to 16 teams (4 game guarantee)





# 2022 Fall Tournaments

## **NCSA Peach State Classic Fall Invitational-**

- **South Commons Softball Complex - Columbus, GA**
- October 1- October 2, 2022
- 6-10 teams
- Registration \$400 (4 Game Guarantee)

## **Sacramento State Fall Classic**

- Bartholomew Sports Park – Elk Grove, CA
- October 1-2, 2022
- 8 teams, 4 Game Guarantee
- Please contact Rashad Baadqir for more information  
Rashad.baadqir@csus.edu



# 2023 Swing into Spring – Panama City Beach

**Spend spring break bonding as a team on and off the field**

**Get out of the cold and play ball down south**

**Brand new facility and vacation resort accommodations**

**In addition to non-conference games, you can schedule practices during the week**

**Great way to spend your Spring Break**





# Swing into Spring – PCB Details

- **Cost (Tentative)**
  - **Tournament Registration Fee \$100-200**
  - **Practice \$30 per hour of practice**
  - **Game fee- \$100/game**
  - **Performance Bond \$100 - returned at conclusion of showcase**
  - **Each team will provide Two Game Balls per game**
- **NCSA Rules will apply**
- **Teams will be contacted as early as August about attending**
- **Games will count towards overall record**
- **Registration Deadline- December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**
- **Registration Fee:**
  - **Before November 15th: \$100.00**
  - **After November 15th: \$200.00**



# Regionals

- Regional Playoffs held in late April, early May
- 4 team double elimination Tournament format.
  - Tournaments will be funded by the NCSA
  - Conference Champions will automatically qualify for regionals
  - An at Large Bid will be selected as the 4<sup>th</sup> team for regionals if the region is comprised of only 3 conferences.
  - Top two tournament finishers at each regional playoff will automatically qualify for the NCSA World Series.
- Goal: Maintain the concept that the NCSA World Series will be comprised of the top two teams from each of the eight NCSA Regions as determined via Regional Playoffs



# 2023 World Series

- **Location: Columbus, GA (South Commons Softball Complex)**
  - **16 qualifying teams**
    - **8 Regional Champions**
    - **8 Regional Runner Ups**
- ① **2023 DATES**
  - **May 18-21, 2023 (Thurs-Sun)**
- **Three year renewal signed in 2020 with the Columbus, GA Sports Council to bring the NCSA World Series back to the South Commons Softball Complex through 2023!**



# Team Operations

**Being informed, organized and having strong lines of communications is key to a successful season.**

- League Participation Agreement (LPA)
  - New Team Form (Due Date: August 1<sup>st</sup>)
  - Existing Team Renewal Form (Due Date: July 1<sup>st</sup>)
  - Signed by president of team, signed by club sports director or faculty advisor
  - Fax or scan and email to NCSA
- Registration Form
  - Provides full contact info to NCSA front office
  - Complete in full and email to NCSA
  - Important to include a secondary contact, team email and head coach if applicable
  - Important to include advisor contact info



# Team Operations

**Being informed, organized and having strong lines of communications is key to a successful season.**

- Scheduling Request Form
  - Due August 7<sup>th</sup> and used to complete Conference Schedule
  - Important to complete with as much detail as possible
  - Important to include requests for Christmas Break, Spring Break, Finals, and Field availability
  - The more flexibility the better
- General Liability Insurance
  - \$3,000,000 General Aggregate, \$2,000,000 Per Occurrence
  - Policy covers the NCSA and it's members (The Teams)
  - Covers many aspects of NCSA play (i.e. Travel, Practice, Workouts, Games)
  - Full Year of Coverage
  - Policy assists in obtaining court time & 3<sup>rd</sup> parties can be additionally insured for \$75
  - This policy helped protect the NCSA and it's members from potential financial losses from lawsuits, but, this is NOT a health or accident insurance policy





# Team Operations

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- Reserving Fields
  - DON'T PROCRASTINATE
  - Contact opponents once schedule is released to set dates and times
    - If opponent isn't communicating, let NCSA know to help facilitate communication
  - Don't wait till a week before you are to play
  - Reserve field as soon as schedule is released
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party additional insured
- Scheduling Umpires
  - Contact local high school AD to gain contact info for local umpire assignor
    - If help is needed finding an assignor, let NCSA know to help facilitate finding one
  - 2 High school certified (or better) umpires per game
  - Don't wait till a week before you are to play
  - Contact assignor as soon as schedule is released and re-confirm dates and times





# Team Operations

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- Team Manager Access & Online Player Registration
  - At the beginning of each year, the “Team Manager” will need to request Team Manager access from the NCSA.
  - NCSA will give individual Team Manager Access which will allow the Team Manager to access the Team Code, view the Registration Queue and have other access that players do not have (updating Team Information).
  - Players will receive a TEAM CODE from their team manager to begin the player registration
  - Individual Players register by either choosing “Existing User/Returning Login” or “First Time Player Registration” in the “Login” tab of the NCSA sites.
  - **Players** fill out information which determines eligibility
  - Once registration is completed, players will be put in a “Registration Queue”
  - Players able to log back in to upload a picture, bio and change certain information such as jersey number and position.



# Team Operations

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- Coaches Participation Waivers
  - For non-playing coaches, managers, trainers, etc.
  - MUST be typed, printed, SIGNED, then faxed or scan and emailed
  - Coaches, managers, trainers, are NOT allowed on the court or on the bench unless they have a waiver on file with the NCSA
  - Found under “Info => Documents” tab of NCSA website (along with many other important documents to reference/utilize)



# Team Operations

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- Academic Eligibility Letter
  - Sample format available under “Info” tab of NCSA website
  - Must be signed by registrar, faculty advisor, or club sports director
  - Can be faxed or scanned and emailed to NCSA Front Office
  - Must show currently enrolled, 12+ credits (9+ for 2 year schools), 2.0+ GPA, no academic warning, and no academic probation
  - Players listed on AEL and listed in the Registration Queue, will be added to official NCSA roster
- Uploading player stats and team information
  - Once players are cleared by the NCSA as eligible and appear on the website roster, Team Managers may upload stats for those players
  - Team Managers can login with their credentials (email & password) and will have ability to upload stats and other team information.
  - Instructions on how to upload the stats and other team information will be sent once Login and Password are requested, but are also listed under the “Info” tab of NCSA website
  - Teams are responsible for uploading their own stats
  - It is the responsibility of the team to be sure that stats are entered accurately and in a timely fashion

# Team Operations

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- Weekly Team Submission Form

- Submit to Regional Director by midnight each Monday
- Be sure to enter scores/results for ALL games played during that week
- Be sure to submit a full stat line when nominating players of the week candidates
- Submit these on time to assure that your candidates receive consideration for awards

- NCSA Dues

- Includes 2 Dozen NCSA Gameballs and \$2 Million general liability insurance
- Teams will submit a refundable \$150 performance bond due by September 15th. If your team did not forfeit any conference games, performance bond rolled over to current year.
- \$1375 due in full by February 28<sup>th</sup>
- \$100 discount if paid in full by December 31<sup>st</sup>
- Credit Cards accepted but subject to online handling fee
- Invoices and receipts available through the NCSA Accounting Specialist, Jeanne Krachala (Jeanne.Krachala@CollClubSports.com)
- EIN/Tax ID#: 52-2270910



# Team Operations

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- Boosting team interest
  - Student involvement fair for incoming freshmen
  - Advertisement/Coverage in school paper
  - Flyers in freshmen dorms and common areas
  - Create a social media groups/pages/accounts
  - Make presence known on campus
- ① Boosting Team Morale
  - Get the team together off the field as much as on
  - Social events where ALL are included can build strong bonds => leads to more success on the court
  - Road trips build strong team chemistry
  - Set room assignments on the road to break up “Clicks”
  - Looking good can make players buy in to the club philosophy faster
    - Coordinating uniforms, warmups and swag go a long way
  - Being organized will give opponents the impression of strong leadership while instilling pride in your team to compete with confidence
    - Arriving in uniform, team vans, choreographed warm ups, show opponents that you take things seriously
    - Choreographed practices with a set practice attire sends that same message to your players



# Team Operations

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- Budgeting
  - Very important to set accurate budget
  - Make sure to include Expenses such as umpires, field costs, uniforms, equipment, travel expenses, league dues etc.
  - Income items such as player dues, fundraisers, donations, school input, etc.
  - BUDGET FOR POST-SEASON TOURNAMENTS EVERY YEAR!
- Player Dues
  - How much to charge?
  - What is included?
    - Travel costs? New Uniforms?
    - More included = Higher Dues\$
  - Supply & Demand: Lots of interest = Higher Dues\$
  - Make them pay as soon as they make the team
    - Players who practice for months then fail to pay dues hurt the team financially and chemistry
  - Charge \$5 for tryouts



# Team Operations

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- Team Equipment/Uniforms
  - Order early as customized items tend to have extended lead times
  - Order extra jerseys; uniforms do rip or go missing on occasion, or maybe you add another player during the season
  - Order extra game Gameballs when the supply runs low, NCSA rules state you must use Official NCSA Softballs.
  - Get quotes from NCSA sponsors, there is a reason why the NCSA endorses them
  - Take advantage of additional NCSA discounts during early ordering periods
  - See list of NCSA Sponsors and discounts provided on NCSA website





# Team Operations

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- Guide To Collegiate Club Softball
- Developed by NCSA in order to:
  - Define and publicize the concepts and goals of the NCSA
  - Assist with the development and recruitment of new softball teams
  - Provide an all-inclusive reference manual to NCSA league operations
  - Assist with the improvement of member team basketball operations
- ① Chapter Titles:
  - What is the NCSA
  - Starting a team at your school
  - Joining the NCSA
  - Operating within the NCSA (Preseason, Regular Season, Post Season)
  - Partners and Sponsors of the NCSA
  - Chapters can be downloaded on the “Documents” tab of NCSA website





# Timetable

June 28	16th Annual NCSA League Meeting
July 1	League Participation Agreement Deadline
August 7	Scheduling Request Forms Due
August 30	Conference Schedules Released
September 15	Fall portion of Regular Season Begins**
September 15	\$150 Refundable Performance Bond Due
October 1-2	Peach State Fall Classic - Columbus, GA
October 8-9	NCSA Indy Invitational – Elkhart, IN
October 8-9	NCSA First State Showdown – Wilmington, DE
December 31	Deadline to receive Annual League Dues discount
March	NCSA Swing into Spring - Panama City Beach
February 28	Deadline for payment of Annual League Dues
April 1	Roster Freeze Deadline
April TBD	Regionals
May 18-21	2023 NCSA World Series

\*\*Online Player Registration & Academic Eligibility Letters due one week before first game.



# Sponsors & Fundraising





# Fundraising Opportunities



**[Eric.Curitore@CollClubSports.com](mailto:Eric.Curitore@CollClubSports.com)**

**412-321-8440 x 101**



# FundRazr

## **An Official Fundraiser of the NCSA!**

- ① **The best online fundraising platform for any budgetary need**
- ① **Start an online campaign for FREE and begin accepting donations in minutes**
- ① **Share on Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Google+ and via e-mail to reach more potential donors**
- ① **Invite players to share the fundraiser and make it a friendly competition within the team**
- ① **All you need are an e-mail address and a Verified PayPal Account to get started**
- ① **Go to [FundRazr.com/pages/collclubsports](http://FundRazr.com/pages/collclubsports) in order to get started on an account through our leagues portal!**



# FundRazr

FundRazr

## **A New Way to Use FundRazr!**

- 🏀 Cal Poly fundraised over \$17,000 in less than 2 weeks to help offset expenses for the NCBA Division I World Series!**



# Cal Poly Club Baseball Trip to Greenwood, SC for Nationals

Like 781

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\$17,035 raised

85% of \$20k goal

88 contributors

0 days left

Ended May 22, 2022



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San Luis Obispo, US

Contact campaign · Report



# Other Ideas/Suggestions

What works for you?

Eric Curitore  
Travel Sponsor  
Account Manager



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## The Official Lodging Partner of the NCSA

- Teams, players, and fans receive a minimum of 10% discount on best available rate (personal or NCSA Related)
- Book online using the NCSA / CollClubSports Booking Portal
  - [motel6.com/en/cp/coll-club-sports.html](http://motel6.com/en/cp/coll-club-sports.html)
- Speak to a Motel 6 Representative and make your reservation over the phone by calling 1-800-899-9841
- Corporate ID Number / Discount Code: **CPUM4EHL**
- To find out more, click the Motel 6 Ad on the NCSA Website



# Equipment Sponsors



# Mike Galletti

## Rawlings/Easton Sponsor

### Account Manager



**Mike.Galletti@CollClubSports.com**

**412-321-8440 x 111**



# Rawlings

- **The Official Softball of the NCSA**
  - All NCSA teams are **REQUIRED** to use NCSA stamped softballs for all NCSA sanctioned games
  - Teams will receive equipment forms in late July/early August to go about getting your two dozen complimentary softballs
  - Please contact Mike Galletti with any questions
    - [Mike.Galletti@CollClubSports.com](mailto:Mike.Galletti@CollClubSports.com) or 412-321-8440 x111



# Easton

- **The Official Uniform Supplier of the NCSA**
  - **NCSA Teams receive a 45% discount off orders paid July through November**
  - **Orders placed between December through June receive a 35% discount**
  - **Uniforms are 100% customizable: Team name, Logo, Number, different sublimated designs including camo and other colors!**
  - **All garments come with the NCSA logo on the back collar, FREE of charge.**
  - **Contact Mike Galletti to place order, request a catalog, or RECEIVE A QUOTE**
    - **412.321.8440 x111**
    - **Mike.Galletti@CollClubSports.com**
  - **All Billing handled through NCSA Office**

# UNIFORM EXAMPLES



All jersey tops & pants will feature the official NCSA logo, free of charge.



# Rawlings & Easton

- **The Official Protective Equipment & Performance Apparel Supplier of the NCSA**
- **NCSA Teams have access to BOTH brands**
  - **35% discount on orders paid from December through June**
  - **45% discount on early orders paid from July through November**
  - **Apparel items include: Performance Shirts/Shorts, Compression Shirts/Shorts, Sweatshirts, Polo's, Jackets and Pants**
  - **Equipment items include: Batting Helmets, Bats, Protective Shirts/Shorts, Sliding Shorts, Catchers Helmets, shin guards and chest protectors**
  - **Billing handled by NCSA office**
  - **Contact Mike Galletti to place order or RECEIVE A QUOTE**
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# APPAREL/EQUIPMENT





# Felicia Battaglia

## The Game Sponsor

## Account Manager



*The Game*



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## The Game

- **Official Headwear Sponsor of the NCSA**
- **Some Great Product Offering**
  - **Customizable Team Visors**
  - **Player and Coach Hats**
  - **Fleece Beanies and Ear Bands**
  - **Great gifts for parents and fans!**
- **Check out the full listing in their catalog!**
- **[www.THEGAMEHEADWEAR.com](http://www.THEGAMEHEADWEAR.com)**





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# THE GAME

## THE OFFICIAL HEADWEAR OF THE NCSA

Contact [Felicia.Battaglia@CollClubSports.com](mailto:Felicia.Battaglia@CollClubSports.com) for all of your headwear needs and to take advantage of great prices through the NCSA and The Game





# The Game

- **Exclusive low prices**
- **Early Order Discounts**
- **Free NCSA logo included**
- **Contact – Felicia Battaglia**
  - [Felicia.Battaglia@CollClubSports.com](mailto:Felicia.Battaglia@CollClubSports.com)
  - 412-321-8440 Ext. 107
- **Orders and payments are placed directly through Felicia**





# How to ask a question?

Type your name, team affiliation, and question in the “Comments” section below the video.

NCSA Staff will read your question aloud and the current speaker will answer accordingly.



# Proposed Rule Voting Ballot Procedures

- NCSA to address rule proposals one at a time
- Will open comment section to teams rule proposals
  - All rule proposals need a “second that” to be included on ballot
    - Ballots will be emailed out in 1 Week
    - Each team gets to submit 1 Voting Ballot
  - Voting Results Released in Approx. 2 Weeks
- 2022-2023 NCSA Rulebook released in August



## NCSA Proposed Rule

- Do we want to adopt an academic eligibility rule exception for IHE (Inclusive Higher Education) Students?
- For a student to be granted an exception to the NCSA Academic Eligibility rules requiring the student to be enrolled in 12+ credits and maintain a 2.0 GPA, the student must meet the following
  - Must be an officially recognized student at the college/university
  - Must be enrolled in an IHE (Inclusive Higher Education) Program that is governed by the college/university AND must be listed within “Think College’s” online college directory.
  - Must be verified as being in Good Academic Standing as determined by their specific college/university IHE Program.
  - Must be verified as being enrolled at a Full Time Equivalent status as determined by their specific college/university IHE Program.
  - These criteria must be verified in writing by an IHE Program faculty or staff.
  - The maximum number of IHE eligibility exceptions is capped at 2 student athletes





## NCSA Proposed Rule

- Should we get rid of post season awards?
- Very few teams seem interested in nominating players for all region/all American consideration
- No All Region teams were released this year due to insufficient nominations
- All Americans were released with just a small handful of teams nominating players for consideration
- To be considered the teams needs to nominate candidates they want considered and at what position
- Nominees are evaluated position by position based upon their stats on the NCSA website and if they hit required minimums for IP and PA.
  - Minimum 30 Plate Appearances
  - Minimum 25 Innings Pitched and 5 Games Started



# Proposed Rules

The floor is open for any team rule proposals

Please submit your rule proposal one at a time by entering it into the comment section



# Reminders

- We Need Your Alumni!
  - The NCSA is looking for club softball Alumni who want to volunteer to stay involved with the NCSA so we can continue to operate successfully and grow.
  - We are looking for:
    - Regional Directors
    - Top 20 Voters
    - Tournament Staff
  - Great opportunity to stay involved, gain experience, or build a resume
  - No out of pocket expenses, just want your passion to help the sport grow



# Reminders

- Weekly Submission Forms (Due each Monday by midnight)
  - This allows us to update the website with scores, standings, schedules, etc.
  - Pitcher and Player of the week Nominations
    - If you nominate a player or pitcher this allows them to be a contender for both Conference and National Player/Pitcher of the week recognition.
- All American Nomination Forms
  - For a player to be considered your team must submit a Nomination form that allows us to look at their stats and judge them based upon their nominated position
  - Every Ballot will be considered please submit one per team.



# Reminders

## Social Media

**Twitter:** @TheNCSA

**Facebook Page:** NCSAClubSoftball

**Facebook Group:** NCSA (National Club Softball Association)

**Instagram:** @the\_ncsa

## Suite 301

LIVE broadcast at 3:01pm EST on Facebook:  
[facebook.com/ccsSuite301](https://www.facebook.com/ccsSuite301)

Tune in for updates about the NCSA and around CollClubSports!



# Closing

- Thank You for Tuning in
- Promote the League & Website
- Give the Sponsors Business whenever possible
  - Whenever Issues Arise, Please Notify Us
    - Let No Question Go Unanswered
    - Keep Lines of Communication Open
    - Please be Prompt Meeting Deadlines
      - It's a Game!! Have Fun!!