



2016 East Coast Showcase Rules and Information Packet

We are looking forward to the College Showcase coming up very quickly, and your team's participation. Here are some notes about the tournament of which you should be aware:

Tournament Director

Your tournament director for the weekend is Tim Lieb. You can reach Tim at 202-431-5855 or tim@sageagency.com.

Weather Outlook

We always hope for the best this time of year. Some of you played with us in the past and know that we are committed to playing. We plan to get as many of the games in, even in the event of bad weather. Please check the web site frequently for updates. If you are traveling here, consider having someone appointed to check our web site often, particularly if the forecast looks bad.

Roster

We are very flexible in this respect and if you returned a roster for the tournament booklet that will suffice for this event. That said, should the need arise teams are permitted to borrow players, even from other teams playing over the weekend. This is a "showcase" event and we want to be flexible to give the girls and teams any support they need.

College Coaches Attending

Some of you have asked about attendance. Our showcase has historically been well attended by many colleges. A list of the colleges that have attended and are anticipated to attend again this year is on the website. If you have profile books, please bring them to the tower at Potomack Lakes on Saturday.

Game Rules

This is a Showcase. The purpose is to show the girls. There is free substitution, and you can bat your line up. Other than that, we'll be following the ASA Rulebook. Don't be surprised, though, if the umpires also apply college rules. We've brought several college level umpires to the tournament. No protests are allowed. Please be aware that any coach ejected from this tournament will not be permitted to attend a Baseliners-sponsored tournament for one year. The college coaches are here to see the girls, not you.

With the weather expected to be cooler, we will allow sweatpants and shirts. We will ask that your girls wear the wristbands, though, so the coaches can see them.

I can't tell you how to conduct your team, but we do recommend you let your girls know that college coaches watch on-and-off-the field attitude and hustle. I've watched more than one coach over the years completely discount a team when the girls act up in the dugout.

All pitching rubbers will be 43'.

Metal cleats allowed.

Game time is limited to 1:20 (80 minutes) and will DROP DEAD upon completion of the player at bat once time has expired. This time limit will be strictly enforced. This is a showcase and scores do not matter and we'd like the girls to play as much softball as possible so there will be NO SLAUGHTER rule – unless the losing team concedes the game.

What You Need To Do At the Tournament

You must provide proof of team insurance at check in.

The roster form we've asked you to download and complete is the only one you need. The purpose of this tournament is to showcase the girls. We will not be entertaining roster challenges at this tournament.

A team representative must check in 45 minutes before your first game of the showcase begins to show proof of insurance, pick up a copy of the schedule, and pick up the wristbands.

Check in will be at the complex of your first game.

Player wristbands should be worn by players to make it easier for the college coaches to determine their class and availability. As noted above, they can be picked up from the site director when you check in before your first game. Committed is for players that have committed to play softball at a college/university already.

Wristband key:

Pink – Freshmen

Orange – Sophomore

Yellow - Junior

Green – Senior

Blue – Committed

Lastly, we want to wish a great showcase for every team participating. Enjoy your stay and thanks for being part of one of the greatest east coast showcases in Northeastern US.

Tim Lieb
Tournament Director