

To all Nebraska Major State Tournament Teams- 2021

1. Teams will be seeded for the State Tournament Pool Play portion using USSSA Power Points and USSSA Points.

2. Seeding order for pool play will be posted on the Nebraska USSSA Web Site, 6/22.

3. **2021 Nebraska USSSA Major State Tournament Format will be NEW for 2021.** We will ask for reaction to the experimental format after the State Tournament.

A. Teams will play two pool play games. Pool play opponents will be determined based on the seeding criteria above.

B. Following pool play, teams will be placed in the championship bracket that will be a modified double elimination tournament, and the remaining team will be placed in the consolation single elimination bracket(s). Our goal is to take at least half of the teams out of pool play into the modified double elimination championship bracket with the maximum number being set at 8.

C. State Championship awards will be presented to the 1st and 2nd place finishers in the Championship Bracket. (Team and Players)

D. Consolation Championship awards will be presented to the 1st and 2nd place finishers in the Consolation Bracket. (Players)

Why the new format (Championship and Consolation Brackets) for 2021? (You asked for pool play games to mean more.) As always, we appreciate your feedback. Pool Play game results will now be very important in determining which teams advance to the Championship Bracket earning the right to be crowned the TRUE USSSA Nebraska State Champion.

Tentative Major State Tournament Sites:

14M- Omaha / CB

13M- Omaha / CB

12M- Omaha / CB

11M- Omaha / CB

10M- Omaha / CB

9M- Omaha / CB

Below is an example of the Modified Double Elimination Bracket that will be used for Major State. Our goal is to take at least half of the teams out of pool play into the modified double elimination championship bracket with the maximum number being set at 8. All other teams will advance to the single elimination consolation bracket(s).

