



# All-Region & All-American

## NFCA HIGH SCHOOL 2025-26 All-Region & All-American Procedures

### NFCA All-Region

#### Summer/Fall

*Opens: Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2025 - 9 a.m. Eastern / 6 a.m. Pacific*

*Deadline: Monday, Oct. 27, 2025 - 8 p.m. Eastern / 5 p.m. Pacific*

#### Spring

*Opens: Wednesday, May 20, 2026 - 9 a.m. Eastern / 6 a.m. Pacific*

*Deadline: Monday, June 15, 2026 - 8 p.m. Eastern / 5 p.m. Pacific*

### 1) Nominations

- a) Who may nominate
  - i) Head Coaches of eligible High School institutions who are active NFCA members.
- b) Who may be nominated
  - i) Teams eligible for nomination must complete the minimum number of contests specified by their state to qualify for postseason competition.
  - ii) Coaches may nominate up to eight players from their own team to the All-Region ballot.
  - iii) Coaches may nominate more than one player for the same position.
  - iv) A player may only be nominated for one position.
  - v) The nomination form must be filled out completely to be considered.
  - vi) Only stats accrued v. High School countable competition may be submitted for consideration.

### 2) Guidelines

#### a) Pitchers

- i) Must meet ONE of the following pieces of criteria to be nominated
  - (1) Must have recorded 100 IP **OR**
  - (2) Must have pitched 30% of the team's total innings pitched



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- (a) For example, if a team has a total of 300 IP in the season, a pitcher must have recorded 90 IP to be eligible for All-Region nomination using this criteria option.
  - ii) Pitching stats are the first consideration.
  - iii) Defensive stats are the second consideration.
  - iv) Offensive stats are the third consideration.
- b) Defensive Positions**
  - i) Must have played 50% of the school's total games.
  - ii) Must have played 60% of the nominee's total games at the nominated position.
  - iii) Defensive and offensive statistics will have equal weight.
- c) Utility/Pitcher**
  - i) Must have played at least 50% of the school's total games at two or more positions, with at least 33 % of the total games being played at position(s) other than Pitcher.
  - ii) The nominee must have pitched a minimum of 25% of the team's total innings pitched
    - (1) For example, if a team pitches 250 total innings, a nominee for the Utility/Pitcher category must have recorded a minimum of 63 IP to be eligible for All-Region nomination in the Utility/Pitcher category.
  - iii) Defensive and offensive statistics will have equal weight.
  - iv) Defensive stats for each position played must be provided (except for DP).
- d) DP or Utility/Non-Pitcher**
  - i) **DP** must have played a minimum of 50% of the school's total number of games at the DP position.
  - ii) **Utility/non-pitcher** must have played at least 50% of the school's total games at two or more positions, with no more than 59% of the individual's total games being played at any one position.
  - iii) The nominee must not have pitched more than 24% of the team's total innings pitched.
    - (1) For example, if a team pitches 300 total innings, a nominee must NOT exceed a total of 72 IP to be eligible for All-Region nomination in the DP and Utility/Non-Pitcher category.
  - iv) All statistics must be included.
  - v) Defensive stats for each position played must be provided (except for DP).



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## NFCA All-Region Balloting (Voting) Procedure

### Summer/Fall

*Voting Opens: Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2025 - 9 a.m. Eastern / 6 a.m. Pacific*

*Voting Closes: Monday, Nov. 3, 2025 - 8 p.m. Eastern / 5 p.m. Pacific*

### Spring

*Voting Opens: Wednesday, June 17, 2026 - 9 a.m. Eastern / 6 a.m. Pacific*

*Voting Closes: Wednesday, June 22, 2026 - 8 p.m. Eastern / 5 p.m. Pacific*

### 1) Eligibility

- a) Only NFCA member Head Coaches who have an active NFCA membership may vote for the All-Region teams.
- b) Only one ballot per institution may be cast.
- c) If you did not have a competitive season this spring, you are still eligible to vote in the NFCA All-Region selections.
  - i) The expectation is that ALL voters take the time to be informed about the nominees before casting their ballot. If you were unable to watch/play firsthand enough or at all, and thus do not feel comfortable voting, please note that in your response.

### 2) Procedures

- a) You must vote in order for your institution's nominees to remain eligible.
- b) Coaches cannot vote for their own players on the regional ballot.
- c) The voting ballot must be completely filled out. If all blanks are not filled in, then the ballot will not be counted. However, if less than three players are on the ballot for a particular position, it's permissible to vote for less. Again, do not vote for your own player, even if you will now vote for less than three.
- d) The total number of voting coaches must exceed 60% of the number of nominating institutions in the region for a quorum to be reached.
- e) The voting ballot will only be counted if submitted by the deadline.

### 3) All-Region Team Composition

- a) High School membership will be awarded First and Second Team All-Region for each of the ten NFCA regions. Should membership fall substantially by March 1 of a given year the High School Steering Committee will reevaluate the number of current All-Region teams. (Example: One All-Region team for each of the ten NFCA regions).
- b) First-team all-region will include three (3) pitchers, making for a total of 13 players recognized as first-team selections: three pitchers, one for each infield position (1st, 2nd, 3rd, SS, C), three outfielders, one utility/pitcher, and one DP or utility/non-pitcher.



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- c) Each region's second team will be comprised of 12 players per team: two pitchers, one for each infield position (1st, 2nd, 3rd, SS, C), three outfielders, one utility/pitcher and one DP or utility/non-pitcher.
  - i) If there is a tie, honors will be awarded to each player involved in the tie.
- d) When the All-Region teams are announced, all athletes selected will be listed according to the position in which they were nominated.
- e) Once the All-Region teams have been named, First Team All-Region selections from each of the 10 regions will be eligible for All-American selection.

## 1) Additional Requirements

- a) All nominations must include a high-resolution color headshot photograph of the nominee and must be uploaded directly within the nomination.

## 2) Announcement of All-Region Teams

- a) Summer/Fall NFCA All-Region teams will be on the NFCA website on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025.
- b) Spring NFCA All-Region teams will be on the NFCA website on Friday, June 26, 2026.

## NFCA All-American Procedures & Selection of All-American Teams

*Voting Opens: Wednesday, July 1, 2026 - 9 a.m. Eastern / 6 a.m. Pacific*

*Voting Closes: Monday, July 6, 2025 - 8 p.m. Eastern / 5 p.m. Pacific*

## 3) Eligibility

- a) First Team All-Region selections are eligible for consideration at the All-American level.
- b) Eligible student-athlete's statistics will be included for review during the All-American vote.

## 4) Process

- a) The All-American teams will be selected by the High School membership through a vote facilitated by the NFCA.
- b) You must vote in order for your institution's nominees to remain eligible.
- c) Coaches cannot vote for their own players on the ballot.
- d) The voting ballot must be completely filled out. If all blanks are not filled in, then the ballot will not be counted. However, if less than three players are on the ballot for a particular position, it's permissible to vote for less. Again, you cannot vote for your own player, even if you will now vote for less than three.



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- e) The voting ballot will only be counted if submitted by the deadline (July 6, 2026 at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT).
- f) The total number of voting coaches must exceed 60% of the institutions represented on All-Region teams for a quorum to be reached.
- g) In the event a quorum is not reached, the High School Steering Committee will be responsible for the selection of the All-American Teams.
- h) If you did not have a competitive season this academic year, you are still eligible to vote in the NFCA All-America selections.
  - i) The expectation is that ALL voters take the time to be informed about the nominees before casting their ballot. If you were unable to watch/play firsthand enough or at all, and thus do not feel comfortable voting, please note that in your response.

## 5) Composition

- a) High School will be awarded First, Second, and Third Team All-American. Should membership percentages fall substantially as of March 1 of a given year the High School Steering Committee will reevaluate the number of current All-American Teams. (Example: Two All-American teams).
- b) The All-American teams are comprised of 13 players each:
  - i) Three pitchers, one catcher, one first base, one second base, one third base, one shortstop, three outfielders, one utility/pitcher, and one utility/non-pitcher.

## 6) Special Awards

*Wednesday, July 1, 2026 – Voting for Golden Shoe opens 9 am ET*

*Monday, July 6, 2026 – Voting for Golden Shoe closes 8 pm ET*

- a) *Diamond Sports / NFCA Catcher of the Year*
  - i) The First Team All-American Catcher will be awarded the Diamond Sports / NFCA Catcher of the Year.
- b) *New Balance / NFCA Golden Shoe Award*
  - i) A ballot will be sent to the High School membership containing the top five most prolific baserunners who were nominated for All-American.

## 7) Announcement of All-American Teams & Special Awards

- a) The three All-American teams will be announced on Friday, July 10, 2026.
- b) The New Balance Golden Shoe winner and Diamond Sports Catcher of the Year will be announced on Friday, July 10, 2026.