

2020 - 2021 NCHSAA M. Basketball Playoff Bracketing Process

1A								
Conference	If All Teams	Automatic Berth	E/W	Total Berths	Bracket Line Placement	Draw Procedure	Sport Adjustments	Football Subdivisions
Albemarle	5	1	E	East - 12 Auto	#1 Berths	<p>Once the 16 teams are determined in each region (East/West), the NCHSAA Staff will utilize this pre-determined draw procedure to set the finalized bracket.</p> <p>1. Draws for the line placement of berths will occur in random order.</p> <p>2. All #1 berths will be drawn first, followed by #2 berths, followed by any #3 berths and wildcard teams.</p> <p>3. Whenever possible, competition between conference opponents in the 1st round will be avoided. This may require the removal of a line placement draw possibility for a given team.</p>	<p>Automatic Berths listed on this document are based upon the premise that all teams in the conference are participating in a given sport (same classification in split conferences).</p> <p>Each bracketed sport will have varying automatic berths per conference based on the following formula:</p> <p><u>Conference Teams Participating in the Given Sport:</u> 1 - 6 Schools - 1 Automatic Berth 7 - 8 Schools - 2 Automatic Berths 9+ Schools - 3 Automatic Berths</p>	<p>Subdivisions of classifications will be used for the 2020-21 football playoffs (1A, 1AA, 2A, 2AA, 3A, 3AA, 4A, 4AA).</p> <p>Berths will be awarded based on the procedure indicated in the previous column prior to the subdivision of teams.</p> <p>Once the 32 teams in each classification are finalized, schools in a given classification will split into 2 distinct subdivisions based on the Average Daily Membership (ADM) of the school.</p> <p>Each subdivision will have 16 total teams (8 East/8 West) with teams placed on lines based on conference finish.</p>
Atlantic 5	2	1	E	East - 4 WC	Lines 1 - 9			
Carolina	7	2	E		#2 Berths			
Coastal 8	2	1	E		Lines 10 - 12			
Coastal Plains	7	2	E		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
North Central Athle	7	2	E		Lines 13-16			
Northern Carolina	3	1	E					
Tar Roanoke	2	1	E					
Three Rivers	2	1	E					
Big Smoky Mtn	7	2	W	West - 14 Auto	#1 Berths			
Central Tar Heel	6	1	W	West - 2 WC	Lines 1 - 9			
Little Smoky Mtn	4	1	W		#2 Berths			
Mountain Valley	4	1	W		Lines 10 - 13			
Northwest	6	1	W		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
PAC 7	8	2	W		Lines 14 - 16			
Southern Piedmont	7	2	W					
Western Highlands	3	1	W					
Yadkin Valley	9	3	W					
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East Central	7	2	E	East - 2 WC	Lines 1 - 10			
Eastern Carolina	7	2	E		#2 Berths			
Eastern Plains	6	1	E		Lines 11 - 14			
Mid-State	5	1	E		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
Mid-State Athletic	2	1	E		Lines 15 - 16			
Northeastern Coast	5	1	E					
Northern Carolina	4	1	E					
PAC-7	7	2	E					
Three Rivers	7	2	E					
Central Carolina	10	3	W	West - 15 Auto	#1 Berths			
Mountain Six	6	1	W	West - 1 WC	Lines 1 - 9			
Mountain Valley	4	1	W		#2 Berths			
Northwestern Footb	8	2	W		Lines 10 - 14			
Rocky River	5	1	W		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
South Fork Athletic	8	2	W		Lines 15 - 16			
Southwestern Athle	7	2	W					
Western Highlands	3	1	W					
Western Piedmont	8	2	W					
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Big East	6	1	E	East - 12 Auto	#1 Berths	<p>Once the 16 teams are determined</p>	<p>Automatic Berths listed on this document are based upon the premise that all teams in the</p>	<p>Subdivisions of classifications will be used for the 2020-21 football</p>
Big Eight	8	2	E	East - 4 WC	Lines 1 - 10			
Coastal	6	1	E		#2 Berths			

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Greater Neuse	6	1	E		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
Mid-Piedmont	7	2	E		Lines 13 - 16			
Mid-State	6	1	E					
Mideastern	5	1	E					
Patriot Athletic	6	1	E					
Tri-County	6	1	E					
Big South	7	2	W	West - 13 Auto	#1 Berths			
North Piedmont	6	1	W	West - 3 WC	Lines 1 - 8			
Northwestern	5	1	W		#2 Berths			
Piedmont Triad	6	1	W		Lines 9 - 12			
Rocky River	1	1	W		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
South Piedmont	7	2	W		Lines 13 - 16			
Southern Carolina	8	2	W					
Western Mountain	9	3	W					

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CAP-7	7	2	E	East - 10 Auto	#1 Berths	<p>Once the 16 teams are determined in each region (East/West), the NCHSAA Staff will utilize this pre-determined draw procedure to set the finalized bracket.</p> <p>1. Draws for the line placement of berths will occur in random order.</p> <p>2. All #1 berths will be drawn first, followed by #2 berths, followed by any #3 berths and wildcard teams.</p> <p>3. Whenever possible, competition between conference opponents in the 1st round will be avoided. This may require the removal of a line placement draw possibility for a given team.</p>	<p>Automatic Berths listed on this document are based upon the premise that all teams in the conference are participating in a given sport (same classification in split conferences).</p> <p>Each bracketed sport will have varying automatic berths per conference based on the following formula:</p> <p><u>Conference Teams Participating in the Given Sport:</u> 1 - 6 Schools - 1 Automatic Berth 7 - 8 Schools - 2 Automatic Berths 9+ Schools - 3 Automatic Berths</p>	<p>Subdivisions of classifications will be used for the 2020-21 football playoffs (1A, 1AA, 2A, 2AA, 3A, 3AA, 4A, 4AA).</p> <p>Berths will be awarded based on the procedure indicated in the previous column prior to the subdivision of teams.</p> <p>Once the 32 teams in each classification are finalized, schools in a given classification will split into 2 distinct subdivisions based on the Average Daily Membership (ADM) of the school.</p> <p>Each subdivision will have 16 total teams (8 East/8 West) with teams placed on lines based on conference finish.</p>
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Mideastern	3	1	E		#2 Berths			
Northern	6	1	E		Lines 8 - 10			
Patriot	3	1	E		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
Sandhills	8	2	E		Lines 11 - 16			
South Wake	7	2	E					
Central Piedmont	6	1	W	West - 11 Auto	#1 Berths			
I-Meck	8	2	W	West - 5 WC	Lines 1 - 7			
Metro	5	1	W		#2 Berths			
Northwestern	2	1	W		Lines 8 - 11			
So Meck 7	7	2	W		#3 Berths & Wildcards			
Southwestern	8	2	W		Lines 12 - 16			
Triangle 8	8	2	W					