



National Tournaments

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Tournament Planning Packet

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Dear Coach,

Thank you for your interest in the NACA Nationals. We are enjoying our 38th year of hosting the nationals for Christian schools. As our NACA family continues to grow across the country, we look forward to seeing you in Dayton, Tennessee. We anticipate a premier tournament, and our staff is already preparing and praying for your student athletes.

In the following pages you will find updated information to help you register for our event. Please follow the instructions carefully and fill out the necessary forms to help us continue the same quality of service and fairness of competition.

Once again, thank you for your support of the NACA. Please call us if you have any questions.

Pursuing the Ultimate Prize,

Dave Sekura
Executive Director



NACA – The Next Generation of Champions!

The National Association of Christian Athletes in Dayton, Tennessee, was established in 1980. The rich tradition of the NACA Nationals continues with its mission to influence young people for Jesus Christ through the avenue of quality national tournaments.

The NACA hosts one of America's premier tournaments for Christian schools in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Nearly 3,000 athletes from 200 schools participate yearly. The NACA experience has been a career highlight for thousands of student athletes.

This booklet is designed to take you step-by-step through the process of registering and attending one of our tournaments. If you need information, contact Keith Champion at keith@fbc-naca.org or Dave Sekura at dave@fbc-naca.org or call the office at 423-775-0488.

The Road to the NACA Nationals

Step 1: In order to secure a place in the tournament, the following must be received by the date indicated on your paperwork:

1. Contract Agreement – All signatures required. The Head Coach's signature must be witnessed.
2. Entry Fee – The tournament fee of \$275 for each team (not school) participating may be paid by school check or credit card. We accept Master Card, Visa, Discover and American Express. This fee is non-refundable.
3. Registration Deposit – This deposit of \$400 is a credit that is applied to your outstanding balance.

Step 2: We must receive the following by the date indicated:

1. Team Eligibility Roster – This information is vital and can be emailed or faxed to us no later than 30 days prior to your date of arrival. The roster in pdf format may be completed on your computer and emailed to us. If you need more space, make extra copies.
2. Health Forms – **The NACA Health Form** must be completed by everyone participating in the tournament including students, athletes, cheerleaders and coaches. Anyone under the age of 21 must sign and obtain signatures from their legal guardian(s). Please fax all health forms to us (423.775.1968) at least two weeks prior to the tournament. ***Bring the originals with you.*** We will give the copies to the Coach at Check-In.

All of the forms may be found on our website at www.nacasports.org.

Step 3: Secure transportation to and from the NACA as well as to and from various local venues as not all games are held onsite.

Step 4: Fax or email your team's schedule and game scores at least two weeks prior to your arrival. This information will help determine pairings in the bracket.

Step 5: View the brackets online at www.nacasports.org after 12:00 noon on the Monday before your tournament begins. Brackets are subject to change without notice.

Step 6: Check-in is Tuesday from 3:00pm to 9:00pm Eastern Standard Time for all tournaments unless otherwise indicated.

All registration material must be in hand upon arrival. This includes the following:

1. **Original Contract** – please make sure it contains all necessary signatures
2. **Balance of Tournament Fees** – Your balance may be paid with a cashier's check, money order, traveler's check or credit card. *No personal, business, church or school checks will be accepted.*

Fees:

- \$195 Per person lodging in the Brown Deer Lodge at Fort Bluff Camp– includes all meals, and admission to all games
- \$175 Per person lodging at Cumberland Springs Bible Camp – includes all meals, and admission to all games
- \$155 Per person lodging in dorms on campus at Fort Bluff Camp – includes all meals, and admission to all games
- \$90 Per player and coach who arrange lodging off-campus – includes meals and admission to all games

Statisticians, managers, etc. who stay off campus must purchase a meal pass to eat on-campus meals. We are unable to accommodate small children under school age. There is no pro-rating of prices.

**No team will play their first game until their registration balance is paid in full.*

3. It is the coach's responsibility to check out before departure. This includes: Sweeping your room floor including under beds, checking under all bunk mattresses for trash or personal items, gathering up trash into the container, wiping out microwave and refrigerator if in a lodge room, and reporting any damage to the main office.

4. Insurance – The school, organization or parent(s) must have health/medical insurance for all athletes and cheerleaders attending our national tournaments. If an athlete or cheerleader does not have health/medical insurance, please contact the NACA prior to your arrival.

Home and Guest Team Uniform Colors

Basketball & Soccer: Home Team – White Guest team – Dark
Football: Home Team – Dark Guest team – White

Items for Coaches to Bring

1. Practice balls for warm-up
2. Scorebook and bookkeeper
3. Schools which send more than one team during one particular week of tournaments need a coach and separate transportation for each team.
4. First-aid Kit

Evening Youth Rally

Youth rallies are held the Wednesday and Thursday evening of each tournament to which attendance is mandatory. These rallies are often the highlight of the tournament. Casual school attire is to be worn during the Youth Rallies. If a team is playing in the first game following the rally, uniforms and warm-ups may be worn to the rally. Dress is casual during the day.

Girls Athletic Attire

Standards of dress vary from school to school, and we want to be as accommodating as we can. At the NACA tournaments, female basketball and volleyball uniforms need to be loose-fitting and of a long, modest length. No spandex, please. Please call ahead if you have questions.

Cheerleaders

Cheerleaders are to obey all instructions given by the officials and may not use music for any cheer routines. Uniforms must be loose-fitting and modest. Please call ahead if you have questions. Off-campus cheerleaders are subject to student rate entrance fees to enter gymnasium.

NACA Volunteers

Guests, not team members, may attend the tournament free of charge by serving as volunteers if there is an available position. Volunteers must be age 19 or older and complete the Volunteer Application (www.nacasports.com/volunteer) and Background Check Form. Volunteers contribute six hours each day at the various gyms selling tickets, in the Dining Hall,

Canteen, or other areas of service which leaves them time to enjoy most of the games. Volunteers must contact the NACA office at least two weeks before arrival to the tournament. Volunteers register with their team at the office where they are given their assignments.

Accommodations and Housing

Teams competing may stay at Fort Bluff Camp, the headquarters for the NACA. The facilities include the Brown Deer Lodge, dorms and bunkhouses equipped with bunk beds. Lodging assignments are given during Registration. Housing is based upon a needs-met basis. We try to honor housing requests, if possible. During full weeks, those who pre-pay last are subject to alternate housing at other locations. *If a school or coach secures their own housing at another location, they are still subject to tournament fees.*

If a coach chooses not to stay with his or her team, an adult chaperone must stay with the team in the Lodge, dorm or bunkhouse.

Guest Housing

The Lake Haven Cabins are fully furnished with central heat and air, fully equipped kitchen, one bedroom and a loft, one bath and a mountain stone fireplace. Early registration is strongly recommended. No athletes or cheerleaders may stay or visit the Lake Haven Cabins.

Guests may stay in the dorms with their teams for \$155 or in the Brown Deer Lodge with their team for \$195. This cost includes admission to the games, meals in the Dining Hall and lodging for the duration of the tournament. Guests need to be included in the attendance count on the team's Contract.

Offsite Housing

Please go to our website www.nacasports.org for a list of offsite housing.

Tournament Tickets – for those who did not pay a tournament fee.

<i>Family Pass</i> (includes parents and children):	Weekly for all games \$45	Daily for all games that day \$15
<i>Adult Pass</i> :	Weekly for all games \$15	Daily for all games that day \$5
<i>Student Pass</i> (includes age 7-college age):	Weekly for all games \$9	Daily for all games that day \$3

Meal Tickets – for those staying off campus and who did not pay a tournament fee.

Ages 7 and older

Breakfast	\$ 7
Lunch	\$ 8
Dinner	\$ 9
Weekly Pass	\$65

Children 5 and under are free for all meals when accompanied by a paying adult.

What to Bring

1. Pillow, sleeping bag or twin-sized sheet set
2. Alarm clock
3. Towels, washcloths and personal toiletries
4. Bible
5. Several changes of clothes – there is no laundry service available at the camp
6. Jacket, light coat or sweatshirt
7. Spending money for the Canteen and General Store

What Not to Bring

Alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, fireworks, water guns, or any kind of weapon

We recommend no cell phones, iPods, PlayStation portables and other gaming devices.

Directions

Our address for GPS devices is 370 Fort Bluff Camp Road, Dayton, TN 37321. Within $\frac{1}{10}$ mile from the top of the mountain there is a road to the left called Morgan Creek. Your GPS might tell you to turn there. **Do not take this road.** Continue straight ahead to the crest of the mountain and turn left on Ogden Road instead. There is a large, lighted, green and white sign on the left indicating the place to turn.