

2013 Holy Cross Alumni Association Softball Rules and Regulations



1. Parking: School parking lot spaces will be sold by the Alumni Association. Other parking will be relegated to the Rivas street area alongside General McMullen and the Medical Center parking lot across General McMullen.

NOTE: For liability and safety issues, no motorized vehicles will be allowed to remain on the football field on Saturday and Sunday of the tournament. However, vehicles will be allowed to enter in order to unload equipment and supplies to include trailers/storage units. Details of the rules are contained in a separate document titled “HC Football Field Parking Entry/Exit Rules”.

2. Class Camp Area: Absolutely no camp set-up on the new practice field. All classes are reminded to clean up their areas and to be respectful of the established space of each class. Classes with previous spots or newcomers should check the master layout plan. Where there are questions about established space, we ask that compromises are met in the spirit of friendship and cooperation. Classes not officially participating in the tournament but who wish to set up a camp area will be allowed to do so but must pay a \$250 donation fee and the class will have the option of paying it via credit card. Price is for cost – security, facilities, clean-up, etc.

3. Outside Alcohol: Absolutely no outside alcoholic beverages brought onto our campus during the duration of the softball tournament. Softball Committee will enforce rule and oversight. This rule is for liability issues and ensures profitability for the school.

4. Entry Fee: Each team is responsible for collecting their contribution to the tournament. We are asking that all Knights participate in this effort. Entry fee can be paid before the first game and classes will have the option of paying via credit card. An exception will be that half of the fee is required should the class not have all the money but the remaining half must be paid before another game is played. Classes failing to pay the balance before the second game will forfeit the game and should the team remain in the tournament based on the forfeit then it will have another opportunity to pay-in-full so that it can continue its run.

5. Curfew: Curfew will be enforced beginning at 12:00am on Saturday and 11:00 p.m. on Sunday.

6. Tournament Rules:

- Remind everyone: It’s a softball game!
- All games at HC. Games locations designated as HC #1 (baseball field), and HC #2 (softball field).

- Bats and softballs will be furnished by the Alumni Association (free).
- All brackets begin with a full count on the batter; one courtesy foul per at bat. *The number of teams in the tournament will dictate change to a 1-1 count.*
- Courtesy runners are allowed in all brackets. Each player can have a designated runner. The D.R. may run only for the position in the line-up that he/she is designated to run for.
- In the event of a need for a player(s) to complete a team, a team can fill positions with players who are in the tournament (eliminated or not), an HC student, or a “friend” of HC. Any of these options are ***only possible with the approval of the opposing team***. If not approved and opposing team does not have eight players then the game is a forfeit.
- Games have a 40 minute time limit with a 5 minute warm-up between games. No new inning will begin after the 40th minute. *The number of teams in the tournament with dictate change to 50 minute games.*
- Each competing team is responsible to keep score after each half inning. **Please make sure to double check each time.**
- There will be no homerun limit on HC #1; however, a ball hit over the fence on HC #2 will be an automatic out. Every subsequent at bat for that player during that game will result in the player batting from the opposite side of the plate. There will be cars parked immediately outside the left field fence and the area immediately outside right field fence will be a heavily used walkway. We don't want cars getting smashed or people getting hit. **Any player deemed hitting the ball over the fence intentionally will be ejected from the tournament.**
- No inappropriate colors or verbiage on T-shirts are allowed to be worn during the tournament.
- Players are playing at their own risk. HC is not responsible for injuries or accidents that occur during the tournament. However, every effort will be made to assist the injured player.
- Respect the umpires. They will call the game according to ASA rules. They will have the final call for any and all plays.
- Foul or vulgar language will not be tolerated in the stands or in the field. It is the intent of HC to maintain a family type atmosphere for all to enjoy. Loud, obscene language is grounds for removal from the tournament and park.
- If no official notice of a weather cancellation is given, teams shall assume that the game is to be played as scheduled. HC in consultation with the umpires have the final decision to cancel games at "game time" or during the game based on field conditions or dangerous weather conditions. The HC Alumni Association will be responsible for rescheduling those games that are canceled due to weather.
- IT'S A SOFTBALL GAME!