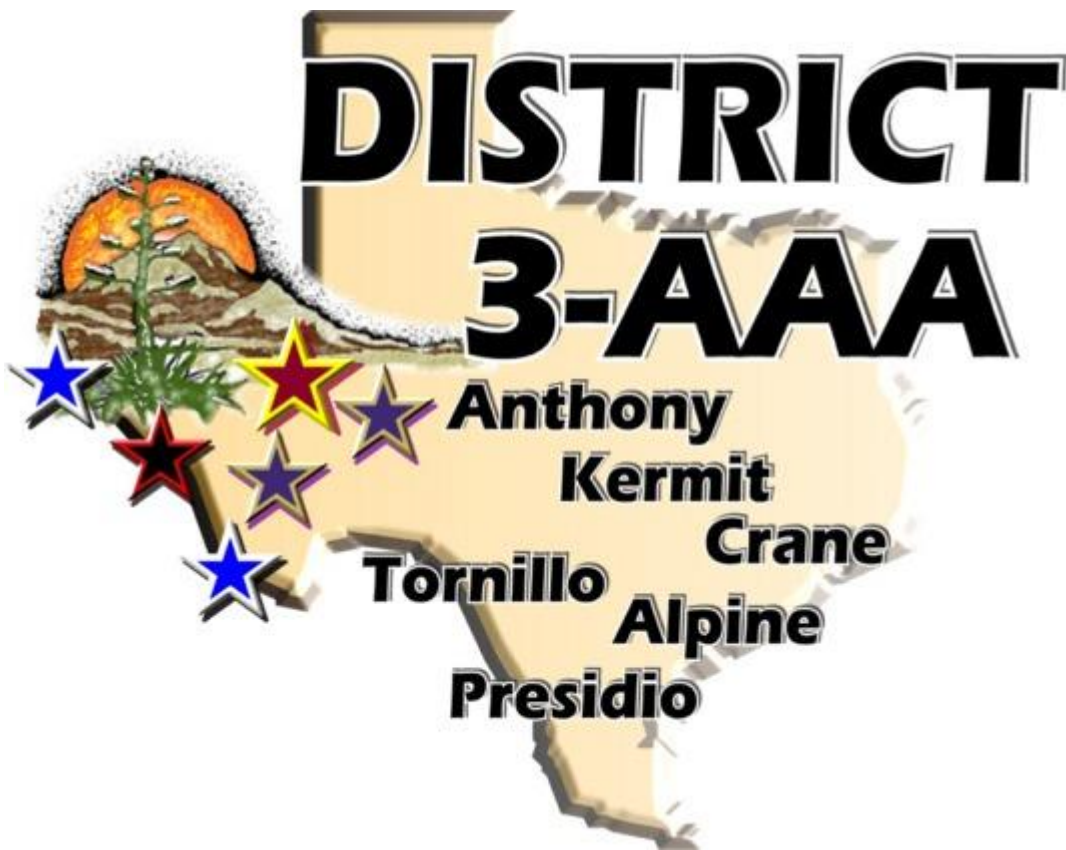


UIL Handbook

2019-2020



DISTRICT 3-AAA

POLICIES, RULES AND REGULATIONS

**Alpine ISD
Anthony ISD
Crane ISD
Kermit ISD
Presidio ISD
Tornillo ISD**

POLICIES, RULES, REGULATIONS

SECTION 1

GENERAL

1) MEMBERS

3-AAA Volleyball:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Basketball:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Track:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Tennis:	Alpine, Crane, Kermit, Tornillo
3-AAA Golf:	Alpine, Crane, Kermit
3-AAA Baseball:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Softball:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Cross Country:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA Academics:	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Presidio, Tornillo
3-AAA One Act Play	Alpine, Anthony, Crane, Kermit, Tornillo

2. DIRECTORS

District Chair:
Vice Chair:

Becky McCutchen – Alpine ISD
Denise Shetter – Kermit ISD

Event	Chair	Site	Date(s)
Volleyball	Kermit		
Basketball	Tornillo		
Cross Country	Crane	Crane	October 16, 2019
HS Academic UIL	Crane	Alpine Crane	March 26, 2020 (Computer Programing and Literary Criticism) March 28, 2020
Cross X Debate	Crane	Crane	February 3, 2020
MS/Elem Academic UIL	Crane	Crane	December 4, 2019
HS One-Act-Play	Anthony	Anthony	March 3, 2020 – Rehearsal March 4, 2020 – Contest
HS Track	Alpine	Alpine	April 2, 2020
HS Tennis	Crane	Fort Stockton	April 3, 2020
HS Golf	Alpine	Monahans Fort Stockton	March 23, 2020 – 1 st Round March 30, 2020 – 2 nd Round
Baseball	Alpine		
Softball	Alpine		
MS Track	Alpine	Alpine	April 4, 2020
MS Tennis	Crane	Crane	May 2, 2020
Area Track	Alpine	Wink	April 14, 2020

3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Superintendents (or their designated administrators) of the participating schools.
- b. In voting, each participating school shall be entitled to one vote. The superintendent (or his designated representative) shall cast the vote for his school.
- c. The District Executive Committee shall elect a chairman to serve for the school year. The District Executive Committee and the District Chairman shall govern all University Interscholastic League interschool activities. The District Chairman shall:

1. Call all regular, special and emergency meetings of the District Executive Committee.
2. Be responsible for collection of all dues determined by the District Executive Committee, and issue all checks.
3. Be responsible for the purchases of all awards for all District contests, as directed by the District Executive Committee.
4. Collect and make all assessments to cover the expenses of the District Executive Committee.
5. Issue District passes.
6. Approve all transfers when correct UIL transfer forms are properly complete, according to UIL handbook regulations.
7. Preserve and maintain the records of the District Executive Committee.
8. See that minutes of each meeting and District policy amendments are distributed in timely manner.
9. Rule on disputes and conflicts that are not covered by the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* or District policies and procedures.
10. Report on District Chairman findings and rulings to the District Executive Committee at the next regular or special meeting.
11. Be familiar with the duties of the District Executive Committee, as prescribed in the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
12. Certify to the UIL, the District 3-AAA playoff representatives in each area of competition, as it occurs, and in accordance with the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
13. Report all penalties to the UIL office.

The District Chairman should use the suggestions distributed by the UIL office regarding executive sessions and procedures for hearings related to violations of district or league rules.

4. FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT

- a. The home school will keep the total net receipts of all District games.
- b. The home school will pay all expenses.
- c. Officials pay and mileage expenses shall be paid as recommended by UIL
- d. Expenses for security costs shall be the responsibility of the home team.

5. FEES

Each school in the District shall be assessed a fee to cover all intra-district expenses for the current year. This annual fee shall be set at the first meeting (August/September) of each year. This fee must be paid by the dates established by the District Executive Committee. If this fee does not cover the expenses of the District, each school shall be assessed an equal additional amount to cover the expenses at the end of the current year. The fee for the school year will be \$7,300.00 to be paid by November 1, 2019.

6. SPORTSMANSHIP CODE

Both the letter and spirit of the rules are to be observed with genuine cooperation and goodwill by the participating schools. (*UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*)

7. SUB-VARSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The District in the sub-varsity level athletics will not recognize championships. Records/points may be kept, but the district will not purchase any championship trophies. Individual schools may purchase their own trophies/plaques, etc. if they so choose.

8. DISTRICT PASSES

- a. Each school will receive 40 family District Passes from the District chairman.
- b. Each pass is good for admission to all District activities.
- c. Each pass is good for admission to District playoffs, until that team is eliminated from competition.
- d. Each pass will admit the pass holder and immediate family to any district athletic event.

9. CROWD CONTROL AT ATHLETIC CONTEST

- a. Only cheerleaders and victory bell ringers will be allowed on the field/court of play preceding the contest, during half time or other intermissions, and after the contest. (Victory bell ringers are allowed at football games only). This does not exclude from the field or court of play students and public officials engaged in such activities as crowning of the homecoming queen before the game or during half-time, and the band performances before the game or during half-time.
 - b. The principal (or designated personnel) of the visiting school should contact the principal of the host school to determine where the visitor's victory bell is to be located.
 - c. Photographers representing the public press of the school may be admitted to the sidelines.
 - d. No one shall be permitted to enter the field of play immediately following the end of a contest except authorized personnel, player, coaches, uniformed game officials, and uniformed police. The only exception being in the case of an injured player, then the parent or guardian will be permitted.
 - e. Spectators shall refrain from abusive language toward game officials and other spectators, or other conduct, which might incite rioting.
 - f. Coaches shall refrain from abusive language toward game official, actions, or gestures, which incite spectators.
 - g. The host school shall provide for adequate law enforcement personnel at all athletic contests.
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- h. Local school officials shall use the various media available to inform the public about these policies and other appropriate UIL rules and regulations.

10. **ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS**

The District Director will order Academic All-District certificates for use by District Schools. District schools will be responsible for distribution of their awards as they see fit.

Suggested Criteria:

- a. 90+ average
- b. Varsity team member

11. **ATHLETIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAMS**

All district teams will be selected by coaches as soon as possible, after the last district game. The meeting will be coordinated by the event chair.

12. **VIDEOTAPING**

Video is allowed in compliance with the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules or by prior consent of both schools. Schools will police their own seating areas in regard to unauthorized video equipment. Any parent may video a district game involving the team of his/her child.

13. **AWARDS**

The district chairman will order all district awards. Team trophies will be ordered for championship teams only.

SECTION 2

VOLLEYBALL PLAN (VARSITY AND JV)

1. DISTRICT WILL FOLLOW NFHS AND UIL RULES, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES
2. CERTIFIED OFFICIALS THAT ARE ACCEPTABLE TO EACH DISTRICT SCHOOL WILL BE USED FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GAMES, WITH THE STIPULATION THAT ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO DISTRICT GAMES AND AT LEAST ONE EXPERIENCED OFFICIAL WILL BE ASSIGNED FOR EACH SUB-VARSITY GAME.
3. EACH MEMBER DISTRICT SCHOOL WILL ACCEPT ALL DISTRICT PASSES FOR DISTRICT VOLLEYBALL CONTEST. DISTRICT CHAIR WILL FURNISH 40 DISTRICT FAMILY PASSES PER DISTRICT SCHOOL.
4. PEP SQUAD, CHEERLEADERS IN UNIFORM, AND THEIR SPONSERS WILL BE ADMITTED FREE.
5. GAME ADMISSION PRICES FOR DISTRICT GAMES WILL BE SET BY THE HOST SCHOOL.
6. START OF DISTRICT GAMES TO BE AS FOLLOWED: 5:00 FOR JUNIOR VARSITY, AND 6:30 VARSITY FOR TUESDAY GAMES AND 1:00 START TIME FOR SATURDAY GAMES.
7. DISTRICT GAMES BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 24th AND FOLLOWING EVERY TUESDAY AND SATURDAY TO INCLUDE VARSITY, JUNIOR VARSITY AND FRESHMEN. DAY AND TIME MAY BE CHANGED IF AGREED MUTUALLY BETWEEN PLAYING SCHOOLS.
8. THE UIL OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL, COLORS: RED, WHITE, AND BLUE, WILL BE USED FOR ALL DISTRICT VARSITY CONTESTS.
9. A 5-5-2 WARM-UP WILL BE USED FOR ALL DISTRICT VARSITY CONTESTS.
10. ADULT LINE CALLERS WILL BE USED FOR ALL DISTRICT VARSITY CONTESTS. ADULT LINE CALLERS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE HOST SCHOOL.

11. ONLY ADULT SCORE KEEPERS, CLOCK KEEPERS, AND LIBERO TRACKERS WILL BE USED FOR DISTRICT VARSITY CONTESTS.
12. COACHES HAVE AGREED THAT NO DISTRICT TAPES OR TEAM'S INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED TO OTHER TEAMS WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE COACHES INVOLVED.
13. ALL DISTRICT TIES SHALL BE RESOLVED BY UIL TIE BREAKING POLICY FORMAT FOR DOUBLE ROUND ROBIN PLAY. **SEE LAST PAGE.**
14. ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS AND SUPERLATIVES WILL BE SELECTED BY COACHES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AFTER THE LAST DISTRICT GAME. THE MEETING WILL BE COORDINATED BY THE EVENT CHAIR. THE SUPERLATIVES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: MOST VALUABLE PLAYER, DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR, OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR, SETTER OF THE YEAR, NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR, AND COACH OF THE YEAR. ANY GIRL SELECTED TO RECEIVE A SUPERLATIVE IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR FIRST OR SECOND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT SELECTION.
15. THE ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS AND SUPERLATIVES WILL NOT BE RELEASED UNTIL AFTER THE LAST DISTRICT TEAM HAS FINISHED POST-DISTRICT PLAY.
16. THE DISTRICT CHAIR WILL PROVIDE THE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY AND BILL THE SCHOOLS ACCORDINGLY.
17. THE DISTRICT CHAIR WILL ABIDE BY UIL GUIDELINES AND WHEN NECESSARY REVIEW ELIGIBILITY DECISIONS AND WILL NOTIFY EACH SCHOOL, IF NECESSARY.
18. ONE COPY OF EACH SCHOOL'S SCHEDULES ARE TO BE EXCHANGED AT THE FIRST DISTRICT MEETING IN THE FALL.
19. SCHOOLS WITH TRANSFERS WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION AND FORMS TO THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN WHO WILL HAVE THE FINAL AUTHORITY TO APPROVE AND DISAPPROVE THE TRANSFER. THE DECISION MAY BE APPEALED TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

UIL – TIE BREAKING POLICY

For Team Sports Playing A Double Round-Robin Format.

(A) *Two Teams Tied In Percentage.* If one team defeated the other team both times in head to head district competition, that team will be the highest available seed. If the two teams split their head to head district games, the two teams shall play one game or match (if rules permit).

(B) *Three Teams Tied In Percentage.* Teams play a district tournament. A draws bye; B plays C and C wins; C plays A. If A wins, A is the highest available seed, C is the next available seed and B is the lowest available seed. If C wins, C is the highest available seed, A plays B to determine the other available seeds.

(C) *Four Teams Tied In Percentage.* Teams play a district tournament. Draw for spots. A plays C; B plays D. Winners of the first games play for the highest available seed; losers of the first games play for the other available seeds.

SECTION 3

BASKETBALL PLAN (VARSITY AND JV)

1) METHOD FOR DETERMINING DISTRICT CHAMPION (VARSITY)

- a) The District 3 AAA play-off representatives will be the teams with the best overall win-loss record in district play.
- b) The team with the best overall district record will be the district's champion and will represent the district as the #1 representative.
- c) The team with the 2nd best overall district record will be the district's runner-up and will represent the district as the #2 representative.
- d) The team with the 3rd best overall district record will be the district's 2nd runner-up and will represent the district as the #3 representative.
- e) The team with the 4th best overall district record will be the district's 3rd runner-up and will represent the district as the #4 representative.
- f) Head to head playoff for seeding (unless they mutually agree to flip for seed).
- g) In the event two or more teams tie for the District Championship, each team involved in the tie shall be declared Co-Champs or Tri-Champs.
 - (1) If two teams tie for the District playoff seeding:
 - (a) If one team has won both mutual games, that team will be declared the District Winner and the other team the Runner-Up.
 - (b) If two teams split mutual games and tie for first place, there will be a one game playoff, the winner of which will be the District Winner and the other the Runner-Up.
- h) If three or more teams tie for the District Championship, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the District Winner and Runner-Up.
 - (1) If three teams tied for the district championship:
 - (a) The team with the best head-to-head records among the three gets the bye.
 - (b) If no team has a better head-to-head record than the rest, the bye will be determined by a coin toss.
- i) If three teams tie for third place, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the Third Place representative.
- j) The date, site, and games in the tournament and play-off games will be determined by the teams involved according to the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

- k) Teams involved in play-off tournaments and games to determine District Representative will determine admission price and will split all receipts and expenses.

2) BASKETBALL AWARDS (VARSITY ONLY)

- a) Two trophies will be purchased by the district director for district champion and district runner-up.

3) PASSES/ COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS (VARISTY AND JV)

- a) Each district will receive 40 District Family passes.
- b) Each school may issue passes/ complimentary tickets to home games if it so chooses.

4) TICKET PRICES/ METHOD OF SETTLEMENT OF DISTRICT GAMES (VARISITY AND JV)

- a) Each school will retain the receipts from its home basketball games.
- b) Admission prices shall be as followed:
- c) Adults- \$3.00 Students- \$2.00
- d) When the gym is separate from the main gym, the ticket stub may be used at the main gym. Security and supervision must be provided at both sites.
- e) Cheerleaders, pep squads, and other uniformed groups accompanied by sponsor(s) will be admitted free of charge to District games. Junior high cheerleaders, pep squad, and other uniformed groups accompanied by sponsor(s) will be admitted free of charge to their individual school district.

5) OFFICIALS (VARSITY)

- a) Officials must be in good standing with the SBOA. Must be chapter officials.
- b) Coaches of both teams must agree on officials.
- c) Agreement between both coaches involved and contracts for officials must be consummated by December 1st.
- d) Fees and mileage of officials are to follow the UIL recommendations.
- e) It will be the responsibility of the home coach to notify the opposing coach of any change in officials that occur after December 1st. If possible, this notification should be as soon as the home coach becomes aware of the change.
- f) A minimum of two officials must be used (three- man crew if possible).
- g) Each home school is responsible for requesting and providing three officials from either the Chapter. In the event that only two officials show varsity competition will resume.

6) GAME TIME FOR DISTRICT GAMES (VARSITY AND JV)

- Varsity and JV games will be at the same site.
- Tuesday and Friday night games (times listed below indicate the earliest starting times).
- All game times are considered to be Central Time.

5:00 p.m.- JV Boys and girls play simultaneously
(7 minute quarters on Tuesday and Friday nights)

6:30 p.m.- Varsity girls

8:00 p.m.- Varsity boys

- Site of freshman games will be at the discretion of the home team.

7) LENGTH OF QUARTERS (VARSITY AND JV)

- a) JV games: 7 minute quarters with 6 minute half times in all district games whether the games are played in the main gym. Second gym- JV games 7 minutes.
- b) On Tuesday nights in the main gym, only the JV game will be 7 minute quarters. On Friday, all games will be 8 minutes.
- c) Varsity games: 8 minute quarters with 10 minute half times in all district games. (Clock keepers start clock when teams leave floor)

8) OFFICAL TIME (VARSITY AND JV)

The scoreboard clock of the home school shall be designated as the official clock.

9) GAME BALL (VARSITY AND JV)

The official game ball for district play (boys and girls) will be any certified high school basketball.

10) LIVE BROADCASTING AND/ OR RECORDING FOR REBROADCASTING/ COMPUTERS (VARSITY)

- a) Radio stations from a city of a member school may tape games for rebroadcast (providing that arrangements are made with the host school). Must provide own equipment.
- b) Live broadcasts, including cable, are allowed (providing arrangements are made with host school). Must provide own equipment.
- c) Videotaping and filming of games by the two schools involved is permissible if in accordance with the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

- d) Teams in District 3-AAA may exchange game films with other District 3-AAA teams before and during district play. No District 3-AAA school may loan film/video to play-off competition of District 3-AAA representatives.
- e) Computers may be used in keeping statistics on the bench.

11) GYMNASIUM POLICIES (VARSITY AND JV)

- a) Players may be introduced before varsity games and should be done on a manner of good sportsmanship.
- b) Music may be played during pre- game and at half time provided by an adult. Cheerleader signs may be displayed inside the gym by the home school only.
- c) As per UIL regulations, all loud noisemakers, air horns, bells, megaphones, etc. are prohibited inside the gym. Laser beam lights are also prohibited.
- d) No lines are to be formed by non-participating students or adults (cheerleaders and basketball players in uniform may form lines); this pertains to the entire floor section of the gym.
- e) Schools may choose to do play-by-play announcing at basketball games.
- f) The home team will provide a minimum of six warm-up balls for the visiting team.

12) JERSEY COLORS (VARSITY AND JV)

The home team will wear light colored jerseys and the visiting team will wear dark colored jerseys.

13) DISTRICT GAMES/ SCHEDULES

- a) All district play will be double round robin format. This includes all levels.
- b) Schedules are set up for two years with playing sites reversed the second year. Each team will send a schedule to other District 3-AAA members before the start of the season.

14) PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR CANCELLING, POSTPONING, RESCHEDULING, AND/OR DELAYING BASKETBALL GAMES

- a) Procedures and guidelines for canceling, postponing, and/or delaying basketball games will follow the guidelines as set forth by the UIL. (Section 382)
- b) Teams that want to reschedule because of semester exams, etc. may do so by mutual consent. Other 3-AAA schools must be notified.
- c) Teams that have games established on Friday as per district schedule and by mutual consent between two school the decision may be made to move the games to a neutral site and may be moved to Saturday as per needed.
- d) Make up games will be played on the next date available.

15) SELECTION OF ALL DISTRICT TEAM (VARSITY)

All district teams will be selected by coaches as soon as possible, after the last district game. The meeting will be coordinated by the event chair. This information will not be released to the news media until after four teams representing the district have been eliminated in the play-offs. The all-district team will be approved and accepted by the District Executive Committee.

16) ELIGIBILITY (VARSITY AND JV)

Each member school is responsible for adhering to UIL rules and regulations when submitting eligibility rosters or contest entry forms.

JR HIGH BASKETBALL GAMES

1. See Attached Schedule

District 3-AAA

Proposed Basketball Schedule

See Attached Schedule

All games will be played at the same site.

Game time: 5:00 p.m. JVG, JVB – same time

Game time: 6:30 p.m. VG and 9th boys

Game time: 8:00 p.m. VB and 9th girls

District 3-AAA

Proposed Junior High Basketball Schedule

See Attached Schedule:

Games will start at 5:30 p.m., unless mutually agreed upon by both schools

“B” games will also be set up mutually by both Schools (Game times, running clock, quarters or halves, etc.)

SECTION 4

CROSS COUNTRY

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

Each member school is responsible for adhering to UIL rules and regulations when submitting eligibility rosters or contest entry forms.

2. **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

It shall be the responsibility of the host school (Principal or designee) to initiate corrective measures at all District 3-AAA Cross Country meets to prevent unusual disturbances from individuals or groups and to prevent the use of noise making instruments.

3. **SITE**

A District 3-AAA member shall host the District Cross Country meet for boys and girls. Site to be selected annually.

4. **SUBSTITUTIONS**

A substitution may be made in existing entries, with guidelines set by the District host in regard to injury, illness, or ineligible athletes.

5. **MEET DIRECTOR**

- a. The District Executive Committee shall select a Meet Director for District 3-AAA meets or may allow the host schools to select Meet Director.
- b. The host school shall notify the District Chairman and District members as to who the Meet Director will be.
- c. The Meet Director shall be responsible for organizing the meet at the host schools and is the final authority on how the meet is organized within the confines of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* and District 3-AAA rules.

6. **PROTESTS**

Protests shall be made to the Meet Director or person designated by the Meet Director and his/her decision shall be final. This final decision does not prohibit protests to the District Executive Committee on items covered in *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*, which go beyond the actual play (except for the place of finish which is handled by the clerk of the course).

7. **ENTRIES**

Entry blanks for varsity meets can be found in the UIL Cross Country Coaches Manual. Entry blanks for freshman and junior varsity meets will be mailed to coaches from the Cross Country Director's school. Deadline for filing entry blanks will be five (5) days prior to the district meet.

8. **CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE**

A maximum of three teams and ten individuals shall qualify from District to regional. An individual qualifier may also be a member of a qualifying team. Additional individuals are not moved into the top five qualifiers if any of the first five qualifiers are also on a team. Only varsity competitors will advance.

9. **DISTANCE**

Girls cross country competitors will run approximately two miles (3200 meters). Boys cross country competitors will run approximately three miles (5000 meters).

10. **ENTRY LIMITATIONS**

A minimum of five participants and a maximum of seven participants shall constitute a team. The first five finishers on each team will count for the total team score. A school may enter less than five, however, it cannot compete for the team title. A school may enter only one varsity team of boys and one varsity team of girls in the District Meet. Two teams may be permitted to enter in freshman and junior varsity divisions.

11. **UNIFORMS**

The cross-country uniform consists of a minimum of school issued jersey and shorts, which are not objectionable, and shoes, which may be supplied by the contestant. Team members shall wear the same color and design school uniform (jersey and shorts). When other apparel is worn under the jersey, or leotard or body suits are worn under the shorts by more than one team member (two or more), that apparel must be the same color. A contestant must wear the assigned competitor number when numbers are used.

12. **RULES**

The cross-country rules found in the current National Federation Track and Field Rules shall be enforced at the District Meet.

13. DETERMINING TEAM SCORES

Place at finish	$\frac{1^{\text{st}}}{1}$	$\frac{2^{\text{nd}}}{2}$	$\frac{3^{\text{rd}}}{3}$	$\frac{4^{\text{th}}}{4}$	$\frac{5^{\text{th}}}{5}$	etc.
Points	1	2	3	4	5	etc.

Competitors finishing the race shall be ranked and tallied in accordance with the above table. The team score shall be determined by totaling the points scored by the first five finishers of each team. The team scoring the fewest number of points is the winner.

If less than five competitors from a school finish, the places of all the competitors from that school will be disregarded in determining the team scores and the team scores are re-ranked. Although the sixth and seventh place finishers do not score points toward the team total, the place is counted in determining the scores of the other teams.

Ties in team scoring shall be resolved by comparing the sixth place finishers from the two teams. The team with the best sixth place finisher shall prevail. If one team does not have a sixth place finisher, the team with the sixth place finisher shall prevail. If only five competitors of tying teams finish, the scoring shall be resolved by totaling the scores of the first four finishers.

14. MEET OFFICIALS

The meet director will be responsible for securing all necessary meet officials. Each school entered in the meet shall be expected to furnish at least one qualified adult to assist in conducting the meet. The Meet Director will contact each school prior to the meet to obtain the names of the person(s) who will be serving as officials.

15. AWARDS

Varsity – The top ten finishers will each receive a medal. Team trophies will be awarded to the first place team.

Freshman and Junior Varsity – Top ten finishers will receive a medal. Team trophies will be awarded to the first place team.

SECTION 5

GOLF

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

Each member school is responsible for adhering to UIL rules and regulations when submitting eligibility rosters or contest entry forms.

2. **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES/PROCEDURES**

- a. It shall be the responsibility of the host school (Principal or designee) to initiate corrective measures at all District 3-AAA Golf meets to prevent unusual disturbances from individuals or groups and to prevent the use of noise making instruments.
- b. Scorecards are to have two (2) signatures (player and scorer).
- c. Each school is responsible for paying its green fees; green fees are not to be billed to the District.
- d. Players and coaches are responsible for knowing and following the USGA rules.
- e. Monitors will be used for both district tournament dates. Each participating school will provide an equal number of monitors, to be determined prior to district tournaments. The number of monitors will be based on the number of parings and medalists. Monitors will keep track of player's strokes for each hole, and in the event there is a question on player's strokes, the monitor will be consulted to resolve the issue. Monitors will not be player's parents or direct relative.
- b. The 9-stroke rule will be in effect.

3. **METHOD OF DETERMINING DISTRICT CHAMPION**

- a. The District golf meet shall be held on 2 different days
- b. The meet director shall determine the District golf meet schedule.
- c. A total of 36 holes shall count as a combined source to determine the District Champion and District Runners-Up.
- d. The lowest combined score for the above 36 holes shall determine the District Individual Medalist and Runner-Up.

4. **MEET DIRECTOR**

- a. District members shall agree on the location(s) for the District golf meets for both boys and girls. Sites to be selected annually.
- b. The District Executive Committee shall select the District Meet Director.

- c. The Meet Director shall be responsible for organizing the District meet and shall organize the meet in accordance with the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules and District 3-AAA Rules.

5. PROTESTS

Protests shall be made to the Meet Director, who may seek the advice of the resident pro, and his/her decision shall be final. This final decision does not prohibit the filing of a complaint.

6. AWARDS – VARSITY BOYS AND GIRLS

Trophy –	District Champion, District Runner-up
Team Medals –	District Champion Runner-up and third place
Individual Medals -	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd place

Both boys and girls.

SECTION 6

TENNIS

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

Each member school is responsible for adhering to UIL rules and regulations when submitting eligibility rosters or contest entry forms.

2. **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY**

It shall be the responsibility of the host school (Principal or designee) to initiate corrective measures at all District 3-AAA Tennis meets to prevent unusual disturbances from individuals or groups and to prevent the use of noise making instruments.

3. **SITE**

A District 3-AAA member shall host the District Tennis meet for boys and girls. Site to be selected annually.

4. **MEET DIRECTOR**

- a. The District Executive Committee shall select a Meet Director for District 3-AAA meets or may allow the host schools to select Meet Director.
- b. The host school shall notify the District Chairman and District members as to who the Meet Director will be.
- c. The Meet Director shall be responsible for organizing the meet at the host schools and is the final authority on how the meet is organized within the confines of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* and District 3-AAA rules.
- d. The Meet Director shall notify the District Chairman and each District member as to how the meet will be organized, run and operated with ample time for each District member to prepare for the meet.

5. **PROTESTS**

Protests shall be made to the person or persons designated by the Meet Director and his/her decision shall be final. This final decision does not prohibit protests to the District Executive Committee on items covered in *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*, which go beyond the actual play.

e. Team points will be computed as follows:

	<u>Singles</u>	<u>Doubles</u>
1 st Place	15	20
2 nd Place	10	15
3 rd Place	05	10

- a. Each school shall enter the District tournament by certifying entries to the District Director at least 10 days prior to the District tournament. Dates will be determined when date for tournament is established.
- b. Tennis coaches will meet at the home school of the Meet Director for the purpose of seeding players and making tournament draws. If a coach is unable to attend, they shall designate a representative to attend the meeting.
- c. No excuses shall be accepted for failure of a team or contestant to appear at the time announced. Any contestant who fails to appear at the scheduled time shall default the match.
- d. The 12-point tiebreaker scoring system will operate when the score reaches six games in any set except the third set of a three set match, when an ordinary advantage set shall be played. Procedures for playing the tiebreaker may be found in the UIL Coaches Manual for Tennis.

NOTE: The consolation side of the tournament draw will be played out if agreed upon by a majority of the district coaches - weather and time permitting.

SECTION 7

TRACK AND FIELD

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

Each member school is responsible for adhering to UIL rules and regulations when submitting eligibility rosters or contest entry forms.

2. **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY**

It shall be the responsibility of the host school (Principal or designee) to initiate corrective measures at all District 3-AAA Track meets to prevent unusual disturbances from individuals or groups and to prevent the use of noise making instruments.

3. **SITE**

A District 3-AAA member shall host the District Track Meet for boys and girls. Site, date and time shall be selected annually.

4. **TEAM POINTS FOR EVENTS**

Team points will be computed as follows:

		Points for relays
1 st Place	10	20
2 nd Place	8	16
3 rd Place	6	12
4 th Place	4	8
5 th Place	2	4
6 th Place	1	2

5. **MEET DIRECTOR**

The District Executive Committee shall select a Meet Director for District 3-AAA meets or may allow the host schools to select Meet Director.

The host school shall notify the District Chairman and District members as to who the Meet Director will be.

The Meet Director shall be responsible for organizing the meet at the host schools and is the final authority on how the meet is organized within the confines of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* and District 3-AAA rules.

The Meet Director shall notify the District Chairman and each District member as to how the meet will be organized, run and operated with ample time for each District member to prepare for the meet.

A committee made up of District Athletic Directors shall make the final decision on the place of finish; that decision may not be appealed.

6. **PROTESTS**

Protests shall be made to the Games Committee or District AD's designated by the Meet Director and his/her decision shall be final. This final decision does not prohibit protests to the District Executive Committee on items covered in UIL Constitution and Contest Rules, which go beyond the actual play (except for the place of finish which is handled by the clerk of the course).

SECTION 8

BASEBALL PLAN

1. **METHOD FOR DETERMINING DISTRICT CHAMPION, RUNNER-UP, THIRD PLACE, AND FOURTH PLACE.**
 - a. The District Champion shall be determined by playing a double round schedule.
 - i. The team with best overall won/loss record will be the District Champion.
 - ii. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the District Runner-Up.
 - iii. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the district's 3rd place team.
 - iv. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the district's 4th place team.
 - b. In the event two or more teams tie for the District Championship, each team involved in the tie shall be declared Co-Champs or Tri-Champs.
 - i. If two teams tie for the District playoff seeding:
 - a. If one team has won both mutual games, that team will be declared the District Winner and the other team the Runner-Up.
 - b. If two teams split mutual games and tie for first place, there will be a one game playoff, the winner of which will be the District Winner and the other the Runner-Up.
 - c. If three or more teams tie for the District Championship, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the District Winner and Runner-Up.
 - i. If three teams tied for the district championship:
 - a. The team with the best head-to-head records among the three gets the bye.
 - b. If no team has a better head-to-head record than the rest, the bye will be determined by a coin toss.
 - d. If three teams tie for third place, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the Third Place representative.
 - e. The date, site, and games in the tournament and play-off games will be determined by the teams involved according to the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

- f. Teams involved in play-off tournaments and games to determine District Representative will determine admission price and will split all receipts and expenses.

2. **POSTPONED GAMES**

- a. District varsity baseball games postponed by weather or public disaster, darkness, (not including illness) shall be rescheduled on the next available date.

Next available playing dates definition: The next available date for make-up games is set as the first Thursday after a Tuesday game and the first Monday after a Friday game. An earlier date, Wednesday or Saturday, may be used if agreed upon by both coaches.

- b. Cancellation of a make-up game. In the event weather or public disaster forces a makeup game to be rescheduled, it shall be rescheduled on the next available date as described earlier.
- c. A game that has not gone 5 innings and has to be postponed due to items mentioned above will be replayed from where it was postponed at the same location or a mutually agreed site between teams involved.
- d. A game that has gone 5 innings and is postponed due to items mentioned in Section A, and has one team ahead of the other shall be declared a complete game with the team ahead at the end of the last complete inning declared the winner of the contest.
- e. It shall be left to the umpire to decide if the field is playable or whether a game should continue when there is a decision to be made concerning game safety after/during/etc. rain or other weather hazards.
- f. First round games. Teams will switch sites for the game if home field is unplayable and visitor site is playable, and arrangements can be made for a reasonable game time at the visitor's site with both coaches agreeing. If unable to make arrangements, the game will be played on the next available date. The second round game site will reflect any site changes.

3. **GAME CANCELLATION**

All scheduled games will be played if they have a bearing on the District 3-AAA first, second, or third place standings. If the game will have no bearing on the district standings, the postponed game may be cancelled by mutual agreement.

4. **GAME BALLS**

The following game balls are approved for use in district play: Diamond D-1

5. **ADMISSION**

Admission, if charged, will be \$2 for adults, and \$1 for students. The home team will keep the gate receipts and all proceeds. In case of ties for District Representation (1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th), the teams involved will determine admission price for those games, and will split all receipts and expenses.

6. **PRE-GAME WARM-UP**

Infield/Outfield – Home team first

7. **SCHEDULES**

- a. All district games will be scheduled on Tuesday and Friday with the following exceptions:
- b. Good Friday – no games unless mutually agreed upon by both teams.
- c. Date of District Track Meet – no games
- d. Regional Track Meet – If regional track meet interferes with a district ball game, coaches who have a regional qualifier or an opponent (who has a regional qualifier) has to change the time or/and date of district ball game in order to allow those athletes the opportunity to run in Regionals.
- e. Change of a location or time of district game shall be by mutual agreement of the two schools involved. The home team shall notify the district chair of changes in times and dates.
- f. Game Time – Varsity games will begin at 7:00 p.m. Coaches will send copies of their school's schedule to other district coaches before the season begins.
- g. Junior Varsity Schedule – JV games will begin at 4:30 p.m. – Drop Dead at 6:15 p.m. (4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. in Tornillo and Anthony). All schools will be responsible for making a JV schedule with prospective district opponents.

8. **DISTRICT MEETING**

A district baseball meeting shall be held as called by the district chairperson following the determination of the District Champion for the purpose of selecting an All-District Team and reviewing the district schedule for the following year.

9. **UMPIRES**

During district games, District 3-AAA will use TASO officials for district games. No hometown officials from either school will be used. Reschedule games according to Item 2B.

10. **TEN-RUN RULE**

Adoption of the ten-run rule after completion of five innings is mandatory in all district games.

11. ANNOUNCERS AND MUSIC

Announcing should be done in an appropriate manner that is conducive to good sportsmanship. Music will be allowed before the game, between innings, and after the completion of the game.

12. BANNERS

Team banners will be restricted to the dugout area and not the backstop area of any home or visitor team.

13. ALL-DISTRICT TEAM SELECTION

Selection of players and positions will be as follows for All-District teams:

- a. District 3-AAA will have their all-district selection by coaches as soon as possible, after the last district game. The meeting will be coordinated by the event chair.
- b. The announcements of All-District selections will be withheld until the District representatives have been eliminated from the play-offs.
- c. All-District Selection Procedures:
 - i. Players will be nominated by their own coaches.
 - ii. Sequence of nomination will rotate among schools as nominations are made for each position.
 - iii. Nominations will be made by position. In the case of a tie vote, both, or all players tied, will be named to the team for which they are being considered.
 - iv. First and second teams will be voted upon independently and selection of players and positions will be determined by the coaches, as follows:

First Team

Pitchers
Catcher
First Base
Second Base
Short Stop
Third Base
Outfielders
Designated Hitter
Utility Infielder
Newcomer of the Year

Second Team

Pitchers
Catcher
First Base
Second Base
Short Stop
Third Base
Outfielders
Designated Hitter

SECTION 9

SOFTBALL PLAN

1. **METHOD FOR DETERMINING DISTRICT CHAMPION, RUNNER-UP, AND THIRD PLACE**
 - a. The District Champion shall be determined by playing a double round schedule.
 - i. The team with best overall won/loss record will be the District Champion.
 - ii. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the District Runner-Up.
 - iii. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the district's 3rd place team.
 - iv. The team with the next best won/loss record will be the district's 4th place team
 - b. In the event two or more teams tie for the District Championship, each team involved in the tie shall be declared Co-Champs or Tri-Champs.
 - i. If two teams tie for the District playoff seeding:
 - a. If one team has won both mutual games, that team will be declared the District Winner and the other team the Runner-Up.
 - b. If two teams split mutual games and tie for first place, there will be a one game playoff, the winner of which will be the District Winner and the other the Runner-Up.
 - c. If three or more teams tie for the District Championship, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the District Winner and Runner-Up.
 - ii. If three teams tied for the district championship:
 - a. The team with the best head-to-head records among the three gets the bye.
 - b. If no team has a better head-to-head record than the rest, the bye will be determined by a coin toss.
 - d. If three teams tie for third place, there will be a single elimination tournament to determine the Third Place representative.
 - e. The date, site, and games in the tournament and play-off games will be determined by the teams involved according to the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

- f. Teams involved in play-off tournaments and games to determine District Representative will determine admission price and will split all receipts and expenses.

2. POSTPONED GAMES

- a. District varsity softball games postponed by weather or public disaster, darkness, (not including illness) shall be rescheduled on the next available date.

Next available playing dates definition: The next available date for make-up games is set as the first Thursday after a Tuesday game and the first Monday after a Friday game. An earlier date, Wednesday or Saturday, may be used if agreed upon by both coaches.

- b. Cancellation of a make-up game. In the event weather or public disaster forces a makeup game to be rescheduled, it shall be rescheduled on the next available date as described earlier.
- c. A game that has not gone 5 innings and has to be postponed due to items mentioned above will be replayed from where it was postponed at the same location or a mutually agreed site between teams involved.
- d. A game that has gone 5 innings and is postponed due to items mentioned in Section A, and has one team ahead of the other shall be declared a complete game with the team ahead at the end of the last complete inning declared the winner of the contest.
- e. It shall be left to the umpire to decide if the field is playable or whether a game should continue when there is a decision to be made concerning game safety after/during/etc. rain or other weather hazards.
- f. First round games. Teams will switch sites for the game if home field is unplayable and visitor site is playable, and arrangements can be made for a reasonable game time at the visitor's site with both coaches agreeing. If unable to make arrangements, the game will be played on the next available date. The second round game site will reflect any site changes.

3. GAME CANCELLATION

All scheduled games will be played if they have a bearing on the District 3-AAA first, second, or third place standings. If the game will have no bearing on the district standings, the postponed game may be cancelled by mutual agreement.

4. **GAME BALLS**

The following game balls are approved for use in district softball play: Dudley Thunder Heat, 375 Core and Baden.

5. **WATER**

Home team will supply drinking water for both teams.

6. **ADMISSION**

The home team will keep the gate receipts and all proceeds. In case of ties for District Representation (1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th) the teams involved will determine admission price for those games, and will split all receipts and expenses.

7. **PRE-GAME WARM-UP**

Infield/Outfield

- Home team first (30 minutes prior to game-time)
- Visiting team (20 minutes prior to game-time)

8. **SCHEDULES**

- a. All district games will be scheduled on Monday, Tuesday and Friday with the following exceptions:
- b. Date of District Track Meet – no games
- c. Regional Track Meet – If regional track meet interferes with a district ball game, coaches who have a regional qualifier or an opponent (who has a regional qualifier) has to change the time or/and date of district ball game in order to allow those athletes the opportunity to run in Regionals.
- d. Change of a location or time of district game shall be by mutual agreement of the two schools involved. The home team shall notify the district chair of changes in times and dates.
- e. Game Time – Varsity games will begin at 5:00 p.m. Central Time (4:00 p.m. Mountain Time @ Tornillo). Coaches will send copies of their school's schedule to other district coaches before the season begins.
- f. Junior Varsity Schedule – All schools will be responsible for making a JV schedule with prospective district opponents. JV games will be played following the varsity game at the same site unless mutually agreed upon otherwise.
- g. Limit six (6) varsity players on JV teams.

9. **DISTRICT MEETING**

A district baseball/softball meeting shall be held as called by the district chairperson following the determination of the District Champion for the purpose of selecting an All-District Team and reviewing the district schedule for the following year.

10. **UMPIRES**

During district games, District 3-AAA will use TASO officials for district games. No hometown officials from either school will be used.

11. **RUN RULES**

- a. Adoption of the 10-run rule after completion of five innings is mandatory in all district games.
- b. Adoption of the 15-run rule after completion of three innings in all district games.

12. **ANNOUNCERS AND MUSIC**

Announcing should be done in an appropriate manner that is conducive to good sportsmanship. Music will be allowed before the game, between innings, and after the completion of the game.

13. **BANNERS**

Team banners will be restricted to the dugout area and not the backstop area of any home or visitor team.

14. **ALL-DISTRICT TEAM SELECTION**

Selection of players and positions will be as follows for All-District teams:

- a. All district teams will be selected by coaches as soon as possible, after the last district game. The meeting will be coordinated by the event chair.
 - b. The announcements of All-District selections will be withheld until the District representatives have been eliminated from the play-offs.
 - c. All-District Selection Procedures:
 - i. Players will be nominated by their own coaches.
 - ii. Sequence of nomination will rotate among schools as nominations are made for each position.
 - iii. Nominations will be made by position. In the case of a tie vote, both, or all players tied, will be named to the team for which they are being considered.
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- iv. First and second teams will be voted upon independently and at the discretion of district coaches.

SECTION 10

LIGHTNING SAFETY POLICY

District 3-AAA will follow UIL policy as it is updated.

1. Purpose: To provide a safety policy for students and/or coaches/sponsors involved in all outdoor activities.
2. Events/activities affected: volleyball, baseball, softball, tennis, track, golf, band.
3. Lightning safety policy:
 - a. When a suspicious cloud approaches, the head coach, athletic trainer or band director will activate and monitor SkyScan/instrument of choice or designate an adult coach or assistant to do this. SkyScan/instrument of choice is not to be operated or monitored by a student.
 - b. After the system check, press the range selection button and select the 8-20 mile range.
 - c. Press the tone button.
 - d. Press the battery save button.
 - e. Hold and monitor SkyScan in an upright position.
4. If inclement weather occurs or is expected, the game officials and opposing coaching staff and/or band director will be briefed on field evacuation procedures.
5. Monitor lightning activity by checking the readout periodically. Lightning detected in the 20-40 mile range moving into the 8-20 mile range indicates the cloud is moving closer to your location.
6. When lightning is detected in the 8-20 mile range, the warning beep will sound. Reset the range selector to the 3-8 mile range.
7. The athletic trainer, head coach, or designated adult/coach will then notify the game officials and the school administrator of the approaching cloud. The school administrator will be present with the athletic trainer or designated adult coach/assistant.
8. When the warning beep sounds again, indicating lightning has been detected in the 3-8 mile range, the students should be evacuated to safe shelter. This is a further indication that the cloud is moving closer, placing the students and instructors at risk. The athletic trainer or designated adult coach/assistant/band director will notify the school administrator, game officials, and both coaching staffs. The officials will evacuate the field and the school administrator will evacuate the stadium.

9. If SkyScan/instrument of choice detects lightning in the 0-3 mile range and shelter has not been taken, students and instructors are immediately at risk and evacuation time is greatly reduced.
10. Return to the outdoor activity when SkyScan/instrument of choice indicates the cloud is moving away from your location. Monitoring lightning detection, moving from closer ranges to outer ranges, does this. Resume outdoor activity 30 minutes after the last reading in the 3-8 mile range.

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