

2010-2011 TranSouth Softball Policies

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Preseason Rankings: Nov. 9 (conference ratings and preview released the same day) **Weekly Report:** weekly report with weekly honors, standings, sent out on a beginning date TBD. **Weekly Conference Player Awards:** Nomination on NAIA Website by 5 p.m. Sunday

Postseason Softball Championships: Nine team double-elimination tournament

Note: Must play 30 conference games to be eligible for regular season championship

Tie breaker: Head-to-head, head-to-head with next team in standings, overall NAIA record percentage, overall record percentage.

2010-2011 TranSouth Softball Championships Dates: May 3-6, 2011

2010-2011 Championship Site: Freed-Hardeman University (Morgan Stadium at Associates Field) Henderson, Tenn. Tournament Notes: Nine (9) team double elimination tournament

Future Tournament Sites: (2012 MCU, 2013 BC, 2014 Lyon, 2015 FHU, 2016 UU, 2017 MMC)

2010-2011 NAIA Softball National Championships Dates: May 19–25, 2011

2010-2011 NAIA Championships site: Gulf Shores, Ala.

TranSouth Scholar-Athletes: Turn in to Sport SID at end of first semester grading period

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Scholar-Athlete Qualifications:

TranSouth - Recipients must be a sophomore, junior or senior academically and hold a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. *NAIA* - Recipients must be a junior or senior academically and hold a 3.5 cumulate GPA

All conference awards

Nomination Details: Nominations are due to Sport SID on the Sunday before the start of the conference tournament.

Coaches may submit up to eight nominations from their own teams and will also submit one nomination each for Player of the Year, Pitcher of the Year, Freshman of the Year, and Newcomer of the Year. They will also submit a nomination for Coach of the Year.

Upon receiving the nominations, the Sport SID will compile the list and send out for voting.

Voting Details: Once the ballot is received, coaches will vote for 18 players in order of rank. The top player on each ballot receives 18 points, working down to 1 point for the last player listed.

The conference chair will total the votes each player receives to determine the all-conference teams.

For the individual superlative awards, each coach will vote for one player in each category as well as for one coach. Coaches may not vote for their own players for any award.

First Team: First 18

Second Team: Next 18

Player of the Year: Most votes

Pitcher of the Year: Most votes

Coach of the Year: Most votes

Newcomer of the Year: Most votes

Freshman of the Year: Most votes

Announcement of Awards will be made at least one day ahead of tournament.

Conference Championship and Tournament

- A. A TranSouth Regular Season and Tournament Championship will be awarded. The Regular Season Champion will be decided upon completion of all conference games during the Regular Season.
- B. The conference tournament will rotate every year. (2012 MCU, 2013 BC, 2014 Lyon, 2015 FHU, 2016 UU, 2017 MMC)
 - To host the conference tourney, the host school must have a lighted field.
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- C. If weather makes it impossible to finish the conference tournament and no clear cut winner is established the regular season champion will be the tournament champion.
 - i. If there is an undefeated team they will be awarded the championship.
 - ii. If there are 2 or more undefeated teams the team with the highest regular season TranSouth ranking will be awarded the championship.
- D. Criteria for TranSouth standings and system for tiebreakers within the conference are as follows.
 - i. Head to Head Competition within the TranSouth
 - ii. Best record against other finishing teams (1-9)
 - iii. Coin Toss (at a neutral site with both head coaches present)