

2021 TAAF Women's Major State Basketball Tournament



March 27th & 28th

Mineral Wells, Texas



**2021 Texas Amateur Athletic Federation
Women's Major State Basketball
March 27 - 28, 2021
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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Tournament Dates: Saturday, March 27 & Sunday, March 28, 2021

Entry Fee: \$190.00 per team

Mailing Address:

Please mail all entry forms, fees and rosters to:

Andy Tarkington
City of Mineral Wells – Parks and Recreation Department
P.O. Box 459
Mineral Wells, TX 76068

Entry Deadline: Payment will be accepted until Monday, March 22, 2021 at 11AM.
**Only cashier's checks, money orders and credit card payments will be accepted.
No personal checks! Please make payable to the City of Mineral Wells.**

Tournament Format: Single elimination with a consolation bracket.

Tournament Directors:

Andy Tarkington – Tournament Director - (940) 328-7805 or (940) 328-7803
E-mail: ATarkington@mineralwellstx.gov

Stormy Smith – Assistant Tournament Director - (940) 328-7804
E-mail: SSmith@mineralwellstx.gov

Melvin Flores – Assistant Tournament Director – (940) 328-7803

State Commissioner: Rudy Vega – City of Boerne Parks & Recreation Department
(830) 248-1548 E-mail: rvega@boerne-tx.gov

Tournament Sites: Mineral Wells City Gym – 734 Warren Road;
Mineral Wells, TX 76067 and/or possibly Mineral Wells High School, 3801 Ram Blvd.;
Mineral Wells, TX 76067

Tournament Rules: All games will be played under current men's N.C.A.A. playing rules with some additions and exceptions specified by T.A.A.F. to the N.C.A.A. men's playing rules specifically for T.A.A.F. state basketball tournaments. (See the "playing rules" section of this packet for the specific rules.)

Game Times Available: Tournament bracket will be posted online and e-mailed to all team managers after 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23rd. Teams may call (940) 328-7803 to obtain that information after 2:00 p.m. on March 23rd.

Inclement Weather: In the unlikely case of inclement weather (ice or snow), information concerning the status of the tournament basketball games will be available by calling the information line at (940) 328-7803.

Rosters: All teams must submit to the tournament director a completed official T.A.A.F. roster form. Rosters are limited to thirteen players, including “pick up players”. Only two drafted or “pick up” players are allowed. Rosters must have all of the players’ information (addresses, phone numbers, driver’s license numbers, etc.) complete in order to be considered a valid roster. The roster must be signed by the T.A.A.F. representative of the city that the team represents to verify the eligibility of the players. **All official T.A.A.F. rosters must be received by the tournament director no later than the managers’ meeting on Friday, March 26th, 2021.** It is preferred that the official T.A.A.F. rosters be received by the tournament director by Monday, March 22, 2021. Contact your local T.A.A.F. representative for an Official T.A.A.F. roster form.

Managers’ Meeting: Friday, March 23, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. at the Mineral Wells Activity Center, 735 Hood Road: Mineral Wells, TX 76067 (next to the Mineral Wells City Gym). Teams will be responsible for all information covered during the managers’ meeting. The City of Mineral Wells Parks and Recreation Department will provide refreshments for the meeting.

Forfeit Time: Game time is forfeit time. **No grace period.** Teams must have five players to begin the game.

Awards: Official T.A.A.F. Awards. Team trophies will be awarded for State Champion, State Runner-Up, both State Semifinalists and Consolation Champion. Individual t-shirts will be awarded to the players on the state champion and the state runner-up teams. The City of Mineral Wells will give additional individual awards to the members of the state championship team. Also, an all-tournament team and the tournament’s most valuable player will be selected by the tournament committee and those selected players will receive individual plaques.

Identification Check: Twenty-five minutes prior to each team’s first game, all players will have their pictured identification checked by a member of the Tournament Staff. If teams do not arrive 25 minutes early for their first game, they may lose their warm-up time before the game. **Any player who does not have a pictured identification at the tournament site WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY!**

There will be absolutely NO exceptions to this rule! The identification used **must** contain both a picture of the person and an address as in a Texas driver’s license.

Players arriving after the start of the first game **must** have their identification checked prior to participating in a tournament game. Players must have their identification in their possession at all times in case of an eligibility protest from an opposing team..

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TOURNAMENT PLAYING RULES

All playing rules will be men's rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (N.C.A.A.). Any exceptions or additions to N.C.A.A. playing rules that have been adopted by T.A.A.F. are listed below and on the following page. Men's rules are used for the women's game because of the absence of a shot clock in T.A.A.F. play.

Uniforms: Players on each team **must** wear jerseys that are identical in the base color of the jersey and **must** have six (6) inch number on the back **and** a four (4) inch number on the front. Number **must** be permanently affixed to the jersey, not taped or pinned to the jersey. Numbers that are hand written in pencil, marker or any type of ink pen will not be allowed.

Game Length: A game shall consist of two (2) twenty minute halves with a running clock for the first eighteen (18) minutes of each half. A running clock stops only for free-throws and time-outs. A N.C.A.A. regulation clock will be used the last two (2) minutes of each half. The clock will stop for all whistles the last two minutes of each half, any overtime period and each successful field goal in the last minute of the second half and any overtime. The clock will not stop in the final two minutes of the second half if one team is ahead of the other team by **20** points or more. If the team behind by **20** points rallies to get within **19** points or less in the final two minutes of the game, the clock will begin stopping on each whistle and on made field goals in the last minute of the game once the difference in the score becomes **19** or less. A timeout will stop the clock at any time, including during the last two minutes of the game when one team is winning by **20** points or more.

Timeouts: Each team will be allowed four (4) one minute timeouts and two (2) thirty second timeouts per game.

Halftime: Halftime will be five minutes in all tournament games.

Forfeit Time: The scheduled game time will be considered forfeit time. Any team that does not have five players in proper uniform by the scheduled game time will be forced to forfeit the game to the opposing team.

Overtime: Each overtime will consist of a three (3) minute period with the clock stopping for all whistles during the entire period. Each team will be given one additional one-minute timeout in each overtime period plus all unused timeouts remaining at the end of the previous period.

Conduct: Any player or coach who is assessed two unsportsmanlike conduct technical fouls in any game will be ejected from the game and must leave the gym. Any player who refuses to leave the gym and surrounding area in a timely manner will cause his team to forfeit the game. Any player ejected from a game may be suspended from their

TOURNAMENT PLAYING RULES CONTINUED

next tournament game or from the remainder of the tournament. The tournament committee will rule on all ejections. Anyone involved in a fight will automatically be ejected from that game and their team's next game as per N.C.A.A. rules. Any player leaving the bench while a fight is in progress will be ejected from that game only. If that player from the bench participates in the fight, that player will be penalized the same as anyone else participating in the fight. Suspensions from all T.A.A.F. participation may result from more serious incidents of misconduct.

Any team being assessed four (4) unsportsmanlike conduct technical fouls in a game will automatically forfeit the game.

Shot Clock: A shot clock will not be in effect for any tournament games.

Three Point Shot: The three-point field goal will be in effect for all tournament games. The three point arc shall be a distance of 19 feet, 9 inches from the goal per T.A.A.F. rules.

Basketballs: The City of Mineral Wells will provide top quality women's-sized game basketballs for tournament play. Teams should bring their own basketballs to use for warm up.

Protests: Protests will only be accepted on player eligibility and rule interpretations. Protests concerning player eligibility and rule interpretations will be ruled on by one or more members of the Tournament Committee. The ruling of the committee or committee member will be final. Protests of rule interpretations must be made at the time of the perceived rule interpretation error. The protesting team must take a full timeout before the ball becomes live after the alleged rule interpretation error. If the rule interpretation protest is upheld, a timeout is not charged to the protesting team. After the ball becomes live again and no protest has been made, the ruling by the officials will be final, even if the ruling is in error. Eligibility protests must be made before the end of the game. Any protest made after the game has been completed will not be honored. **Protests of officials' judgment calls will not be allowed.**

REMINDERS:

- All players must have jerseys with the identically same base color. Jerseys **MUST** have a permanently affixed, non-duplicated numeral on **both the front and back** of the jersey. Jersey numerals must be single or double digit numerals. **NO**

EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED. No taped, pinned or handwritten numerals will be allowed!

- All teams must have a **completed** official T.A.A.F. roster form with their T.A.A.F. representative's signature in order to participate. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED.**
- All players must have pictured identification in order to participate. (No picture I.D. = No Play). **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED.**
- **REMEMBER:** A lack of preparation on your part does **not** necessitate an exception to the rules on our part. Please take time to read this packet. If you do not understand any of the rules or requirements or if you need clarification, please feel free to call us at (940) 328-7805. We will be happy to help you understand the rules and be able to comply with all of the tournament rules!

Eligibility: In order for each player to be eligible to participate in the T.A.A.F. Women's Major State Basketball Tournament, they must meet all of the eligibility standards listed below:

1. Must not have been paid to play basketball or have been a member of a professional basketball team since March 26, 2020.
2. Must be a resident of the State of Texas and be at least 16 years of age
3. Must be listed on the Official T.A.A.F. roster form, signed by the city's T.A.A.F. representative, of the team that they are playing with in the tournament.
4. Have a pictured identification in their possession at the tournament site that verifies their age eligibility (16 or older) and reside in the state of Texas.
5. Be attired in a proper jersey with a permanently affixed, non-duplicated, one or two digit legal jersey numeral on the front (4") and back (6") of the jersey. The numeral may not be handwritten. The base color of the jersey must match his teammates.

Admission Charge: There will be no admission charge for spectators at any of the tournament games.

Tournament Committee: Andy Tarkington, Mineral Wells Parks and Recreation Dept.
Stormy Smith, Mineral Wells Parks and Recreation Dept.
Melvin Flores, Mineral Wells Parks and Recreation Dept.
Rudy Vega, Boerne Parks and Recreation Dept.

Additional Information: If you have any questions or would like additional information about the T.A.A.F. Women's State Basketball Tournament, contact Andy Tarkington at (940) 328-7805 or at:
ATarkington@mineralwellstx.gov

Covid – 19 Protocols: If there are still Covid – 19 restrictions imposed by the Governor’s Office as of March 26th, players will still be able to play without wearing facemasks. However, all players on the bench must either socially distance or wear facemasks. (We will have an expanded bench area.)

All spectators (including players watching games before or after their game) **MUST** wear a facemask while inside the gymnasium. The Parks and Recreation Department will switch out game basketballs at each stoppage of play, in order to sanitize the basketballs as much as possible.

**TEXAS AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION
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ENTRY FORM**

**Registration deadline is Monday, March 22nd at 11:00 a.m.
No late entries will be accepted.**

Entry Fee: \$190.00 per team

Team Name: _____

Jersey Color: _____

T.A.A.F. Member City: _____

Team Manager’s Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cellular Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Money orders, credit cards or cashier’s checks ONLY may be used for payment.
Money orders or cashier’s checks must be made payable to: City of Mineral Wells

Mailing Address:

Andy Tarkington

City of Mineral Wells, Parks and Recreation Dept.

P.O. Box 459

Mineral Wells, TX 76068

State Tournament Hotel Information

Host Hotel: Red Lion Inn and Suites of Mineral Wells

6801 Highway 180 E, Mineral Wells, TX 76067

Phone: (940) 325-7829

(2.0 miles or less from either possible tournament site, see the map on the last page)

Rates: \$75.00 for singles with King beds or \$80.00 for doubles with two Queen beds.

When you call the hotel, tell the hotel clerk that you want the "T.A.A.F. State Women's Basketball Tournament" rate.

The room block deadline is 5PM on Friday, March 12th, 2021.



