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2008 NCAA DIVISION III BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

INDIANAPOLIS---The NCAA Division III Baseball Committee has announced the 54 teams that will compete in the 2008 NCAA Division III Baseball Championship.

Six teams will compete at five first-round sites; eight teams will compete at three first-round sites. All first rounds will use a double-elimination format. Thirty-four conference champions qualified automatically.

Winners of the eight first-round tournaments will qualify for the double-elimination championship at Fox Cities Stadium in Appleton, Wisconsin, May 23-27.

DATES/SITES/SEEDINGS:

May 14-18

Hosted by Eastern College Athletic Conference, Harwich, Massachusetts

1. Trinity (Connecticut) (37-0)
2. Wheaton (Massachusetts) (32-8)
3. Keene State (33-9)
4. Southern Maine (32-12)
5. Western New England (31-11)
6. St. Joseph's (Maine) (28-16)
7. Worcester State (23-16)
8. Castleton State (20-10)

Hosted by USA South and Old Dominion, Danville, Virginia

1. Salisbury (38-2)
2. Johns Hopkins (34-5)
3. Piedmont (33-12)

4. Lynchburg (30-11)
5. Christopher Newport (28-12)
6. Randolph-Macon (25-15)

Hosted by Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Terre Haute, Indiana

1. Heidelberg (37-8)
2. Wooster (34-9)
3. Calvin (32-8)
4. Rose-Hulman (31-13)
5. Adrian (30-10)
6. Transylvania (31-12)

Hosted by Kean University, Newark, New Jersey

1. Kean (35-9)
2. Rowan (30-12)
3. The College of New Jersey (28-10)
4. Penn State-Behrend (34-10)
5. Messiah (27-16)
6. DeSales (24-18-1)
7. Keystone (30-10)
8. Gwynedd-Mercy (21-18)

Hosted by Ithaca College, Auburn, New York

1. Cortland State (38-3)
2. Ithaca (28-11)
3. Rensselaer (30-10)
4. Montclair State (26-18)
5. Eastern Connecticut State (29-13)
6. Farmingdale (23-13)
7. Ohio Wesleyan (28-17)
8. Grove City (18-16)

Hosted by Augustana College (Illinois), Moline, Illinois

1. Illinois Wesleyan (33-9)
2. Wisconsin-Stevens Point (28-14)
3. Augustana (Illinois) (32-11)
4. Wartburg (26-13)
5. Linfield (30-10)
6. Webster (28-13)

Hosted by McMurry University, Abilene, Texas

1. Chapman (35-3)
2. George Fox (28-12)
3. McMurry (29-17)
4. Cal State East Bay (26-14)
5. Trinity (Texas) (32-13)
6. La Verne (25-14-1)

Hosted by University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Oshkosh, Wisconsin

1. St. Thomas (Minnesota) (31-7)
2. Wisconsin-Whitewater (35-8)
3. Carthage (35-8)
4. Wisconsin-Oshkosh (29-9)
5. St. Scholastica (32-4)
6. Knox (15-23)

First round matchups for the championship site will be as follows:

McMurry regional winner vs. Kean regional winner

Rose-Hulman regional winner vs. USA South/Old Dominion regional winner

Wisconsin-Oshkosh regional winner vs. Augustana (Illinois) regional winner

Ithaca regional winner vs. Eastern College Athletic Conference regional winner

CONFERENCES RECEIVING AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION BERTHS:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference - Penn State-Behrend

American Southwest Conference - McMurry

Centennial Conference - Johns Hopkins

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin - Illinois Wesleyan

Commonwealth Coast Conference - Western New England

Commonwealth Conference - Messiah

Freedom Conference - DeSales

Great Northeast Athletic Conference - St. Joseph's (Maine)

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference - Transylvania

Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference - Wartburg

Liberty League - Rensselaer

Little East Conference - Keene State

Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference - Worcester State

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association - Calvin

Midwest Conference - Knox

Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference - St. Thomas (Minnesota)

New England Small College Athletic Conference - Trinity (Connecticut)

New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference - Wheaton (Massachusetts)
New Jersey Athletic Conference - Kean
North Atlantic Conference - Castleton State
North Coast Athletic Conference - Ohio Wesleyan
North Eastern Athletic Conference - Keystone
Northwest Conference - Linfield
Ohio Athletic Conference - Heidelberg
Old Dominion Athletic Conference - Randolph-Macon
Pennsylvania Athletic Conference - Gwynedd-Mercy
President's Athletic Conference - Grove City
Skyline Conference - Farmingdale
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference - La Verne
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference - Trinity (Texas)
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference - Webster
State University of New York Athletic Conference - Cortland State
USA South Athletic Conference - Christopher Newport
Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference - Wisconsin-Stevens Point

In the 2007 Division III championship game, Kean defeated Emory 5-4 in 10 innings.

The 2008 NCAA Spring Seasonal Show will air on CBS at 2 p.m. Eastern time, Sunday, June 22, and will include highlights from the championship.