

PROCEDURES FOR ALL-REGIONAL AND ALL-AMERICAN PLAYER SELECTION

ALL-REGIONAL (Pennsylvania, Delaware, New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico)

Allotment to the NSCAA All-Regional team is determined by the number of NSCAA member coaches with each state. Pennsylvania is entitled to a certain number of players based on that membership total. Each state is required to rank its allotted players and submit the list to the Regional All-America Chairman of the NSCAA. Small geographic states, such as New Jersey, rank their players in a state meeting. Larger states use various criteria. In Pennsylvania we use the All-State team as a base list. The Executive Board of the PSCA decided in 1983 to proportion the players nominated according to district; based on the number of teams competing in that district. Therefore, Districts # 1, # 3, and # 7 would receive more nominations than districts with fewer teams competing. The All-State Chairman was given the responsibility of ranking the top players in each district. In District # 7, with 106 teams competing, the district ranks its own players and forwards this list. Usually, however, districts do not rank players beyond the league level. Various criteria are used, but most reliance is placed on input from League Representatives, high school coaches, and college coaches. Some reference is made to the All-America ballot used in All-America selection, but only for obvious players with high vote ranking. Some leagues are not included on the All-America ballot because they do not submit names by the November 1 deadline. Thus, some outstanding players do not appear on the All-America ballot but will be recognized on All-Regional teams. Once ranked, players are verified by checking to see if their coach is an NSCAA member. The final list is then submitted to the national regional chairman for publication.

ALL-AMERICA

Allotment to the NSCAA All-America team is also determined by the number of NSCAA members within each state. Each state is again required to rank its members, verify for NSCAA membership, and submit to the national regional chairman. In Pennsylvania, the PSCA has decided upon a mail ballot system involving a number of high school and college coaches geographically distributed throughout the state. A November 1 deadline is imposed on each league to submit its top-ranked players for All-State nomination. This nomination list is used to compile the ballot. Each league with 1 to 19 teams has its top ranked player placed on this ballot. Leagues with 20 to 39 teams have two players on the ballot. This continues in sequences of 20 teams. The ballot is then sent to the coaches on the

voting committee. Open communication and evaluation of players between the committee members is encouraged. The coaches are asked to rank the top ten players they know in order. Ballots are then returned, one to the All-State Chairman and one to the current Executive Secretary. The ballots are tallied and the ranking based entirely on the votes received. This list is then verified for NSCAA membership and forwarded to the national regional chairman for publication and notification.

If additional information is needed about these procedures, please feel free to contact the Chairman of the All-State Committee:

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