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Reporting Pitch Counts

Head coaches and athletic directors should receive an email March 17 about using Game Changer to report pitch counts. You may need to input a new ID for it to sync up.

Number of Games Allowed

After our publication of the handbook and manual the KSHSAA Board of Directors made the change to allow 32 games per student. We still have 26 varsity games allowed to be scheduled and 20 subvarsity. Students may play in 32 of those games. This has been communicated in prior KSHSAA Weekly announcements and in the agenda minutes from the meeting. This was also communicated in the coach rules meeting.

No Participation on a Non-School Team

During the school season a player may not also play on a non-school team in the same sport. School team membership is over when a player's school squad has completed their last game. At that point they can begin playing on a non-school team but are limited to no more than 5 from the same school squad playing or practicing together until the Saturday before Memorial Day.

Covering the Rules of Baseball

SITUATION: The batter is in the batter's box with a non-wood bat that has pine tar 19 inches from the base of the knob. **RULING**: This is an illegal bat. Resin, pine tar or any other drying agent are not permitted to exceed 18 inches on the bat from the base of the knob. The batter is declared out and the coach is restricted to the bench if it is the first team offense. If it is a subsequent offense, then the head coach (or the designated head coach) is ejected. (1-3-2c-1, 1-3-5, 7-4-1a, 4-1-3b PENALTY)

SITUATION: A team wants to put a slogan above the number on the back of the team jersey. **RULING:** This is not permissible. Jerseys – including the player number – may have the player's name, school name or school mascot name but nothing else. (1-4-3, 1-4-4)

SITUATION: The second baseman goes onto the field on defense wearing a jacket on (a) the outside of his jersey, or (b) the inside of his jersey. **RULING:** This is illegal in (a) and legal in (b). Only the pitcher may wear a jacket on the outside of the jersey, and only after reaching base on offense. (1-4-4)