

ARIZONA HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Funding

- × **Guaranteed** by the bowling proprietors. Booster Clubs will be formed to attempt to offset the expenses, but the proprietors have guaranteed to ensure the balance not raised.

Administration

- × The State is divided into three regions: Northern, Central and Southern. The regions are further divided into sections representing the different cities. Final sections will be determined after the schools have committed.
- × High Schools will be requested to sponsor "Bowling Clubs" for the initial years. Then the Arizona Interscholastic Association (AIA) will be petitioned for varsity status.
- × School coaches are not required for Club status, but will be provided by the bowling industry. However, a sponsoring teacher or member of the faculty is required from each school.
- × Precedent has been established. There are several high schools across the state currently sponsoring Bowling Clubs with Tucson having 22 schools competing. There is considerable student and parental interest in forming more Clubs.

Competition

- × Bowling competition will occur in the "Winter Season" of the high school year. All rules to follow the AIA handbook with the exception of the no-play rule.
- × Tryouts and practice will be run as a "Farm Club" system with all athletes competing once a week in an intramural setting. The varsity teams will be chosen from all these players giving more players an opportunity to make the team.
- × There will be a varsity team and girls varsity team.
- × Team rosters will be 10 players: six players competing and four substitutes.
 - Three players from each team assigned on two adjacent pairs facilitate faster completion.
- × Standing points are awarded on a team basis.
 - Combined individual points will determine team point accumulation.
- × All bowling will be on a scratch basis.
- × State Championship scheduled for February 2008, hosted by Tucson with facility to be determined.