

# 2017 GSTC Berth Awarding Guidelines

*The following guidelines explain how “Automatic Berths” should be awarded at tournaments that have been selected as Gopher State Tournament of Champions (GSTC) qualifiers. The MYAS baseball staff and the MYAS Baseball Board of Advisors reserves the right to refuse any GSTC berths that were incorrectly awarded due to not following the guidelines described below.*

- 1. In all GSTC qualifying tournaments with at least 6 teams participating, two Automatic Berths will be awarded.**
  - A. Berths will be awarded to the top two placing teams. If either or both of the top two teams decline or have already earned their berth, the third and fourth place teams will be offered the berth, in that order.
  - B. Berths may NOT, under any circumstances, be offered to any team finishing below fourth place.
- 2. In all GSTC Qualifying tournaments with less than 6 teams participating, one Automatic Berth will be awarded.**
  - A. The berth will be awarded to the top placing team. If the top team declines or has already earned a berth, the second place team can be offered the berth.
  - B. The berth may NOT be offered to any team finishing below second place in any tournament with less than six teams participating.
- 3. For all GSTC Qualifiers**, berths may not be awarded if the competition itself is not completed to a point where the top two placing teams can be determined. For example, a weather shortened tournament may not award berths based solely upon a tie-breaker. If berths cannot to be completed because of weather or other unforeseen circumstances, GSTC qualification points will be awarded to all participating teams. The amount of points awarded will be determined through the MYAS baseball staff and that tournament’s coordinator.
- 4.** This document is not intended to cover every possible scenario that may occur in a local tournament/GSTC qualifier. In any case, the Gopher State Baseball Board of Advisors will have the ability to make a final decision on the teams accepted into the GSTC.

# Gopher State Tournament of Champions Qualification Points

# of Teams In Tournament	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Did Not Place
16 or more	18 Points	16 Points	13 Points	11 Points	3 Points 6 Points - Final 8
12-15	16 Points	14 Points	11 Points	9 Points	3 Points
8-11	14 Points	12 Points	9 Points	7 Points	2 Points
6-7	12 Points	10 Points	7 Points	5 Points	2 Points
Less than 6	8 Points	6 Points	5 Points	3 Points	2 Points

Minnesota Youth  
**MYAS**  
Athletic Services

2017

WWW.MYAS.ORG