

27th National Championship Tournament Qualifying Teams and Divisions

If your school has one team at the National Championship Tournament, it is the "A" entry by default. If your school has two teams, the additional team shall be designated the "B" entry.

These designations are based on rank order. In other words, Alaska A should be the school's best team, Alaska B its second best. It is **crucial** that each school rank its teams honestly based on their performances this year. AMTA counts on each school to be honest and forthright in its evaluation of its own teams. This is because each division is power-balanced.

Any manipulation of this scheme (such as deciding that a veteran-laden team from last year's top-ten national finish is really the "B" team) is a sign of bad faith, deception, and undermines the collegiality and fair play for which AMTA stands, as encapsulated by AMTA Rule 1.5.

If there is little difference between teams within a school, then schools are free to use their discretion in assigning "A" and "B" designations, but the operative phrase is "little difference." Good faith and honesty is always assumed. For tabulation uniformity purposes, the lowered numbered team will be given the "A" designation and the higher numbered team will be given the "B" designation.

Divisions were drawn using the following criteria, under AMTA Rule 5.28:

- (1) If two teams from a single school compete, they shall not be assigned to the same division.
- (2) At least two teams from each opening round championship tournament shall compete in each division.
- (3) Teams with Bonus Bid Ranks shall be divided such that five of the top ten ranked teams participating in the tournament will be in each division, five of the next ten ranked teams shall be in each division (teams with the 11th to 20th best BBRs, not necessarily BBRs 11-20), five of the next ten ranked teams shall be in each division (teams with the 21st to 30th best BBRs), and, to the extent possible, all remaining ranked teams should be distributed with an equal number in each division.

The National Championship Tournament will take place April 15th-17th in Des Moines, Iowa.

If you have any questions, Please email AMTA Tabulation Director Kristofer Lyons at kristofer.lyons@gmail.com

Belin McCormick Division	Roxanne Conlin Division
Team 1053 - The Ohio State University	Team 1503 - Loras College
Team 1173 - University of Notre Dame B	Team 1172 - University of Notre Dame A
Team 1166 - Washington University in St. Louis A	Team 1167 - Washington University in St. Louis B
Team 1297 - Swarthmore College	Team 1161 - Trinity College
Team 1025 - University of Central Florida	Team 1098 - Harvard University B
Team 1097 - Harvard University A	Team 1418 - University of Southern California A
Team 1277 - University of Washington	Team 1114 - University of California, Berkeley B

Team 1419 - University of Southern California B	Team 1426 - Boston University B
Team 1113 - University of California, Berkeley A	Team 1104 - Bowling Green State University
Team 1425 - Boston University A	Team 1633 - University of California, Santa Cruz
Team 1614 - Case Western Reserve University	Team 1157 - Hamline University
Team 1433 - Howard University	Team 1006 - Macalester College
Team 1034 - Rhodes College B	Team 1033 - Rhodes College A
Team 1164 - University of Virginia A	Team 1493 - University of California, Los Angeles
Team 1119 - Bellarmine University	Team 1428 - University of Maryland, College Park
Team 1237 - Drake University	Team 1337 - Northwestern University
Team 1227 - The University of Chicago	Team 1134 - University of Georgia*
Team 1169 - University of Texas at Austin A	Team 1170 - University of Texas at Austin B
Team 1274 - Loyola University Chicago	Team 1070 - University of Cincinnati
Team 1481 - Brown University	Team 1029 - Georgetown University
Team 1283 - University of Pennsylvania	Team 1602 - Tufts University
Team 1042 - Eastern Kentucky University*	Team 1165 - University of Virginia B
Team 1016 - University of California, Irvine	Team 1179 - Furman University
Team 1155 - New York University	Team 1183 - Miami University

The Belin McCormick Division will be at the Polk County Courthouse on Friday and Sunday, and will be at the Polk County Convention Complex / United States Courthouse on Saturday. The AMTA Representatives for the **Belin McCormick Division** will be AMTA Tournament Administration Committee Chair, Johnathan Woodward, and Johnny Pryor, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, Indiana University School of Law - Indianapolis.

The Roxanne Conlin Division will be at the Polk County Convention Complex / United States Courthouse on Friday and Sunday, and will be at the Polk County Courthouse on Saturday. The AMTA Representatives for the **Roxanne Conlin Division** will be AMTA Board Member, and Ohio Northern Professor, Dr. JoAnn Scott, and AMTA Ombudsman, and Columbia College Professor, Barry Langford.

Teams indicated with the * are the "swing teams" for said division, and will only be activated under the parameters of AMTA rule 5.29.

The University of Iowa will be the "Stand By" team, per Rule 6.1.