



FBU NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

THE SINGLE BIGGEST EVENT IN YOUTH FOOTBALL

Recruiting Boundaries and Team Composition

FBU National Championship teams may consist of up to 40 participants and all student-athletes must be in corresponding grade and meet age requirement for the team on which they're being certified.

A player may play up one (1) grade level, however a player can never play down a grade even if his age qualifies for a lower grade. Teams will not be allowed to change their roster after team certification.

Team members will be composed of eligible athletes from the nearest city that a team calls home base. Participants that do not have a team in their state will be allowed to tryout and roster for the next nearest team to them as determined by the Governing Body.

If a player is certified on a roster the previous year he will not be permitted to roster to another team unless 1) that team is located within 25 miles of his home address or 2) the previous team has withdrawn from the current year tournament.

- If said player has a bona fide move with proof of change of address he can petition the Governing Body to roster with a new team. These cases will be handled on an individual basis and be submitted to the Governing Body by that areas Team Director (not the head coach).
- If any coach is found guilty by the Governing Body of recruiting previously rostered athletes from another team they could risk suspension from the tournament.
- Any Coach that was rostered and or certified to a team will need a release from that Team Director to move to another (team, city or state) team in consecutive years. This rule is not applicable to coaches that sit out the previous year and were not rostered. This rule does not apply to a coach wanting to move from one age group to another for the same (team, city or state) he was rostered previous year.
- Any appeals to this rule/amendment will need to be submitted to the Governing Body at least 30 days prior to the first round scheduled games in that calendar year. NFHS Definition of a Bona Fide Move - A student/athlete whose parents and or legal guardians make a bona fide move completely out of one school zone into another may be granted permission to transfer all his or her rights and privileges to the team that serves the area where his or her parents reside.