Advance Tournament Instruction

In an attempt to provide better Advance Tournaments, TTA is providing these instructions to help teams understand the tournament process.

**District Tournament Play:**

1. Teams qualify for District tournaments through league play. Number of tournament berths and tournament sites will be assigned by TTA. Dates and Sites are posted online at [www.texasteenage.org](http://www.texasteenage.org).
2. Once your team has qualified for the District Tournament the coach/manager needs to make contact with the appropriate tournament director (contact information will be available online on the TTA website under tournaments.)
3. If your team is unable to play in the tournament they qualified for, the coach/manager must contact the appropriate tournament director and TTA State Office, ASAP (minimum one week prior to tournament) to inform them that your team will be unable to participate in the tournament.
4. If a team does not contact the appropriate tournament director and TTA State Office, TTA could fine their team. (Fines will be determined by a committee of TTA State Directors.)

**State Tournament Play:**

1. Once your team has qualified for a State Tournament the coach/manager needs to make contact with the appropriate tournament director (contact information will be available online on the TTA website under tournaments.). Dates and Sites are posted online at [www.texasteenage.org](http://www.texasteenage.org).
2. If your team is unable to play in the tournament they qualified for, the coach/manager must contact the appropriate tournament director and TTA State Office, ASAP (minimum one week prior to tournament) to inform them that your team will be unable to participate in the tournament.
3. If a team does not contact the appropriate tournament director and TTA State Office, TTA could fine their team. (Fines will be determined by a committee of TTA State Directors.)

**Tournament No Show/No Contact/Leave Early Fines List**

1. Any team that did not made contact with the appropriate tournament director and TTA State Office to confirm their team will participate in the tournament will be subject to fines.
2. If their team does not show up to the qualified tournament.
3. If their team leaves a tournament early, this team will ineligible for advance tournament play, Teams must complete tournament to receive berth to next tournament.
4. Any fines that the committee of TTA State Directors charge to teams will be responsibility of the teams local league to collect and pay to TTA State Office. All fines will be used to help tournament that had lost revenue due to teams not showing.
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Due to teams that qualified for advance play tournaments, not showing up, not contacting proper tournament officials and TTA State Office to inform them that their team was unable to attend or leaving tournaments early the past few years, TTA has decided to impose a fine for these teams.

1. No show – if a team does not show up to a tournament that they have qualified for.  **$500**
2. No contact - if a team does not contact the proper tournament official and TTA State Office, informing them that their team will not be attending their assigned tournament within the proper time frame.  **$500**
3. Leave early – If a team leaves a tournament before they have been eliminated out of the bracket, will be fined and they are disqualified from any other advance tournament play for the current year.  **$250**

TTA understands that there could be instances that a team is unable to fulfill their tournament requirements. If a team is unable to play in a tournament they are required to contact the proper tournament official and TTA State Office as soon as possible (minimum of a week prior) and inform them their team will not be able to play in the tournament. Teams that make proper contact will not be fined.

This fee will be charged to the affiliation that the team is registered with. It will be the affiliation responsibility to collect and pay all fines charged to their registered teams. Fees will be paid to the TTA State Office and these fees will be forwarded to the tournament that was affected.

TTA tournament dates are listed in the TTA rulebook and available online at [www.texasteenage.org](http://www.texasteenage.org).