



MHSAA BASEBALL POINTS OF EMPHASIS

2025-2026 SEASON

This document is intended to provide both coaches and umpires with the most up-to-date information on a variety of topics. This is not meant to cover all questions or concerns that the MHSAA baseball community might have, but it should clear up several topics for the start of the season. As always, please feel free to contact me anytime (best by email – brad@mhsaa.com) for any further questions or concerns.

Discipline-

There needs to be an effort to exhibit discipline when dealing with umpires and opponents. We ask that coaches set the tone for proper bench decorum and sportsmanship.

Running Lane Awareness-

There is to be a concerted effort by coaches, players, and umpires to enforce the running lane. This is for the safety of players and to minimize risk with collisions on the first base line. A violation of this results in interference, with the batter-runners returned to their previous base.

Proper Pitching Position-

Coaches and umpires should emphasize to pitchers that the pivot foot determines which of the pitching positions is being used.

