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At the Oakland Section, our mission goes beyond the game. We are dedicated to delivering high-quality coaching, training, and competitive play, all while instilling the values of sportsmanship, integrity, commitment, and mutual respect. Our ultimate goal is to develop the next generation of student-athletes who not only excel on the court, field, pool, course & track but carry themselves with pride and purpose as leaders in their schools and communities.

Our league is dedicated to offering top-tier coaching, skill development, and competitive play, while fostering the values of sportsmanship, honesty, dedication, self-respect, and respect for others. At the Oakland Section, our goal is to shape future generations of athletes who compete with heart, lead with character, and uplift their teams, schools, and communities.

BADMINTON

The purpose of the sport of badminton in the Oakland Section is to promote physical fitness, teamwork, and competitive spirit among student-athletes while providing an inclusive and accessible athletic opportunity. Badminton encourages agility, coordination, and strategic thinking, making it an ideal sport for developing well-rounded athletic skills. Through organized matches and league play, students learn the value of discipline, sportsmanship, and perseverance, all within a supportive and structured environment. The sport also helps foster community engagement and school pride across the Oakland Unified School District.

TEAMS COMPETING: Oakland HS, Oakland Tech, Skyline, AIMS

1st Day of Practice - Saturday, January 31, 2026

1st Allowable Contest - Saturday, February 21, 2026

Sit Out Period - Monday, March 30, 2026

Pre-Season Meeting - Monday, April 6, 2026

1st OAL Contest - Wednesday, April 8, 2026

Post Season Meeting - Monday, May 4, 2026

Section Singles - Wednesday & Thursday, May 6 & 7, 2026

Section Doubles - Wednesday & Thursday, May 13 & 14, 2026

Section Mixed Doubles - Friday, May 15, 2026

CIF NorCal - Saturday, May 23, 2026



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Oakland Section Badminton

Dual Meets

- A single round robin dual meet schedule will be played by each school. A dual meet will consist of ten singles and five doubles matches. A school without a full complement of players will forfeit those matches not played. One point will be allotted each winning match to determine dual meet winners.
- The players in dual meets are ranked according to skill level from high to low ability on both the singles and doubles teams. Players are ranked one through ten singles and doubles teams. Players are ranked one through ten singles and one through five doubles prior to play at each dual meet. Ranking may change from meet to meet.
- A maximum of ten regulation singles matches shall be played in the first round of a dual meet and a maximum of five regulation doubles matches shall be played in the second round of a dual meet. A regulation match shall consist of the best of three games using regulation scoring. A team without full complement of players shall forfeit matches from the bottom after ranking the players in sequential order. Should matches be forfeited from either or both schools resulting in a tie score, the team with the most games won shall be the dual meet winner. If games end in a tie, total points shall be added to determine the winner.
- A maximum of two matches, one singles and one doubles, may be played by any one player in a dual meet. On any given day a dual meet team will consist of a minimum of eight or a maximum of sixteen players. If a team has fewer than eight players an automatic forfeit will occur.

Oakland Section Finals - Singles And Doubles Tournament

- A singles tournament and doubles tournament will be held on two separate days. These will be single elimination tournaments utilizing regulation scoring. In order for a player to compete in the finals a player must have competed in the dual meets.
- Each team may enter a maximum of the two highest ranked singles players and the two highest ranked doubles teams in the finals tournament. The seeding of players for the finals will be by:
 - a. Coaches ranking of their own players.
 - b. Results of dual meets.
 - c. Placement of the top four competitors first, and remaining players placed by draw.
 - d. A maximum of six regulation matches may be played by any one player in each of the finals tournaments.

CIF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, May 23, 2026

Site: Independence HS, San Jose



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CIF REGIONAL BADMINTON REGULATIONS CLASSIFICATIONS

Competition will be held in the following five classifications:

- A. Girls' Singles
- B. Boys' Singles
- C. Girls' Doubles
- D. Boys' Doubles
- E. Mixed Doubles

SECTION ENTRIES

16 individual/team brackets in each category. Entries for the NorCal and SoCal Regionals will be posted in the Badminton Handbook online 45-60 days prior to the Championships.

QUALIFYING PROCEDURES

- A. Section entries shall be based on the Section's percentage of overall schools that field teams in the classification multiplied by the number of participants the event management opts to place in a championship bracket.
- B. If a Section has a Badminton championship, athletes will qualify through the Section championship. If a Section does not offer a Section championship an interscholastic tournament may be designated as the official means of qualifying for the Northern California Regional or the Southern California Invitational Badminton Championship.
- C. No Section shall receive more than 50% of the entries in a classification.
- D. An individual may only be entered in one classification. Doubles teams must consist of participants who attend the same school.

QUALIFYING TO CIF STATE/REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Teams/Individuals must compete, and qualify through, their respective CIF Section Championships to participate in CIF State/Regional Championships.