

National Collegiate Boxing Association



1976-2026
50th Anniversary

**Collegiate Boxing
Championships
April 9-11, 2026**



Request for Proposal

About the NCBA

Collegiate Boxing has a long and storied history. It reached its highest popularity as an NCAA sport in the early and mid 20th Century. However, due to concerns about safety, the NCAA stopped supporting collegiate boxing in the late 1960's. The East Coast Boxing Association and the West Coast Boxing Association continued the oversight of the sport and hosted local and regional tournaments. In 1976, the National Collegiate Boxing Association (NCBA) was founded when the two organizations merged.

The NCBA remains the senior college boxing governing body in the United States and provides student athletes an opportunity to box at the recreational, intramural and competitive levels. NCBA philosophy and rules provide a safe and level playing field for both new and experienced athletes. The NCBA is a group member of USA Boxing.

The NCBA is excited to celebrate its 50th Anniversary at the 2026 Collegiate Boxing Championships.

NCBA Pillars

- Safety First; Safety Always!
 - Specific Eligibility rules prioritize the safety of the athletes above all other considerations.
 - Weight Classes and competition rules specially designed for college boxing.
- Participation
 - Eligibility limited to those entering college with 10 bouts or less.
 - Must be a member of a registered college boxing club.
 - Most clubs encourage both recreation and competitive boxers.
- Competition
 - Pre-matched bouts (by weight and experience) throughout the year.
 - Regional Tournaments in March and National Championships in April
- Leadership & Character
 - Club sport members have greater role in leading their clubs on campus.
 - Boxing develops courage, discipline, resilience and persistence.
 - Balances the individual nature of competition with the collaborative nature of training as a member of a team.

NCBA Governance

The NCBA is governed by an elected volunteer Board of Directors. Additionally, one representative from each member club is part of the Board of Governors. The NCBA is committed to transparency and excellence in leadership and ensures that voices of members clubs are heard and included in a collaborative approach to decision-making.

The National Championships are planned and coordinated by a Tournament Director who takes guidance from the Board of Directors and will work closely with local officials and vendors.

Benefits of Hosting

The NCBA Collegiate National Championships typically bring teams from a wide variety of colleges from across the country and will attract fans of many of those colleges. Approximately 120 or more athletes qualify for the championships and are supported by over 60 coaches, officials and doctors. Family and friends of our athletes attend in-person and enthusiastically support their favorite boxers. We also expect large attendance from NCBA alumni who will join us for the 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Our partners will benefit from extensive sponsorship opportunities, robust marketing strategies and logistical support for ticket sales and livestreaming as well as the use of lodging and dining options near the venue.

We hope that you are excited in joining us and celebrating the rich history of this unique sports organization and providing the best tournament experience possible for our athletes, coaches and alumni. Please visit our website at www.ncbaboxing.org for a list of our member institutions and to learn more about our esteemed association.

Bid Information

Competition Space Requirements

- **Facility Preferences:** Appropriate venues are large hotel ballrooms (with sufficient height requirements) and small to mid-size event/conference venues, fieldhouses and armories. Large basketball arenas with large seating capacity are not conducive to a desired competitive environment but can be considered with a plan to minimize the empty spaces.
- **Field of Play:** The competition area must be situated in a single room adhering to the minimum Field of Play requirements as specified by the USA Boxing Rulebook (<https://www.usaboxing.org/usa-boxing-rulebook>), including the provision of two boxing rings.
- **Proximity to Lodging:** Ideally, the venue should be either attached to or within walking distance of the designated lodging facilities.
- **Storage Facilities:** A secure storage room is required for the overnight safekeeping of scales, boxing gloves, awards, and timing devices.
- **Connectivity:** High-speed internet access is essential for live streaming of the event.
- **Audio System:** The venue must provide an audio system equipped with a wireless microphone for the announcer and a DJ to play music throughout the event.
- **Tables/Power:** At least 20 tables (6' X 2') must be available for use during the event and power must be available at ringside.
- **Seating Capacity:** The venue must provide ample seating for friends, family and fans (approximately 500+).
- **Restroom Facilities:** Clean and well-maintained restroom facilities are essential for tournament participants and audience convenience.
- **Parking:** Complimentary on-site parking is preferred for all attendees.
- **Cost Efficiency:** Preference will be given to venues that offer no cost or reduced cost options.

Meeting Room Requirements

- **Designated Rooms:** The venue must include the following dedicated spaces: Officials' Room, Check-in/Weigh-in Rooms, and NCBA Coaches' Room.
- **Weigh-in Facilities:** Separate weigh-in rooms for male and female participants, each equipped with privacy curtains.
- **Meeting Spaces:** Meeting rooms should accommodate up to 60 people comfortably and be equipped with projection technology.
- **Medical Set-up:** Each weigh-in room, or a nearby room, should have two to four tables and chairs available for physical examinations.
- **Reception Room:** A room large enough for approximately 250 people with high-top tables, food and beverage service and a small stage for award presentations.

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Housing

Host Hotel

- **Accommodation Needs:** Secure a host hotel for event staff, officials, physicians and collegiate clubs (coaches and boxers). The hotel must accommodate 60-70 double occupancy rooms and 15 single occupancy rooms for a duration of up to 5 nights (Tuesday-Saturday).
- **Cost Range:** The nightly rate, including tax, should fall within \$90-\$125.
- **Proximity:** The host hotel must be within walking distance of the event venue.
- **Complimentary and Discounted Rooms:** Preference will be given to hotels offering complimentary rooms for officials and physicians, as well as discounted room blocks for tournament participants and their friends and family.
- **Food and Beverage:** The host hotel must provide a continental breakfast for approximately 200 people each morning; Daily coffee services must be available for all attendees.

Receptions

- **50th Anniversary Events:** NCBA is planning a variety of anniversary celebrations throughout the week and weekend. Space must be flexible to allow for innovative and interactive celebration activities. The entire celebration schedule is not yet complete, therefore the need for flexibility. NCBA will also be seeking sponsors for these celebratory events and appreciates any local assistance in identifying them.
- **Hall of Fame Ceremony (Friday Evening):** This will be the signature celebration event as we honor the Champions from 1976. Reception space for approximately 200 people that includes seating and a stage for award presentations. Must also be able to contract food and cash bar services.
- **Awards Social (Saturday Evening):** This annual reception honors our most exceptional champions as well as the volunteer efforts of our coaches, officials and physicians. Reception space for approximately 250 people with high-top tables or seating, food and beverage service and a small stage for award presentations.



Tournament Schedule

- Day 1 (Tuesday, April 7):** Select Teams and event staff arrivals
- Day 2 (Wednesday, April 8):** Primary arrival day; Officials Meeting
- Day 3 (Thursday, April 9):** Competition Day 1 – Quarterfinals
- Day 4 (Friday, April 10):** Competition Day 2 – Semifinals & Hall of Fame Ceremony
- Day 5 (Saturday, April 11):** Competition Day 3 – Championship Finals & Awards Social
- Day 6 (Sunday, April 12):** All depart

Competition Daily Schedule

- 7-9 AM** Weigh-ins/Physicals
- 9-11 AM** Draw/Coaches Meeting
- 1-5 PM** Anniversary Celebration Events
- 6-9:30 PM** Boxing (Thursday/Friday)
- 3-9:30 PM** Boxing (Saturday)



Bid Requirements

Travel Grants: NCBA seeks \$10,000-20,000 in travel grants to help collegiate clubs travel to the Championships.

Officials Grants: NCBA seeks \$15,000 in grants to support travel and lodging costs for volunteer officials that travel in from across the country.

Other Accommodations:

- No or low-cost venue rental
- Ambulance and security services throughout the competition
- Help sourcing and managing local volunteers
- Assistance in identifying local vendors to provides services to the event
- Shuttle services to and from the airport
- Marketing and sponsorship support
- Graphic design support
- Welcome/Event signage (specifically in host hotels, airport and in/around venue)
- Concessions provided by third party or competition venue hosts
- Free Storage accommodations for boxing equipment
- Provide local attraction information and discounted activities for participants
- Awards Social (catering services for 250 people)

2008 Reno, NV	2009 Reno, NV	2010 Reno, NV
2011 College Park, MD	2012 Colorado Springs, CO	2013 Mashantucket, CT
2014 West Point, NY	2015 Sunrise, FL	2016 Seattle, WA
2017 Lawrenceburg, IN	2018 West Point, NY	2019 Reno, NV
2022 Charlotte, NC	2024 Charlotte, NC	2024 Charlotte, NC
2025 Lawrenceburg, IN	Recent Tournament Hosts	

Bid Timeline & Contact

Timeline

August 2025:

RFP Released

September 15, 2025:

Proposals due; NCBA reserves the right to consider complete bids prior to this date. If you intend to submit a bid and want to ensure it is considered, please let us know early so we can reach out to you before closing our process.

October 15, 2025:

NLT Notification of bid decisions.



Contact Information

Tournament Director:

Eric Buller, EdD. Please direct specific bid and tournament questions to Eric.buller@ncbaboxing.org.

Bid Submissions:

Bids should be submitted to webmaster@ncbaboxing.org