2024 College League of Legends Season
NJCAAE Conference Format

1. Conference Format & Schedule

1.1. **Regular Season**. This phase consists of a best-of-three group round robin, with each team playing each other team in their group once. Starting side choice will be randomly predetermined such that each team has first side choice in approximately half their games.

1.1.1. **Seeding**. Teams will be seeded based on the Ranked Solo tier and division of the five highest-ranked members of the current Active Roster. Players removed from the roster before the seeding deadline or added after will not be included. Ties will be broken by highest player division and tier, then 2nd highest player, through 5th player. If multiple teams have the exact same distribution of player ranks, the tie will be broken by highest individual player ranking, including LP.

Rank	Points	Rank	Points
Challenger	20	Diamond	9 - 12
Grandmaster	17	Emerald	5 - 8
Master	15	Platinum	1 - 4
		Unranked-Gold	0

1.2. **Groups**. Teams will be split by a snake draft to create two groups of teams, such that Group A has the #1 overall seed and group Group B has the #2 overall seed. The final groups will be listed on the tournament website when completed.

1.3. **Regular Season Tiebreaker**. In the event that multiple teams are tied in the standings at the conclusion of the Regular Season (as defined as having the same number of matches won), then any teams so tied will have their ties broken by head-to-head record. Any ties that cannot be broken in this fashion will be broken by fastest average win time.

1.4. **Conference Playoffs**. This phase consists of a three-round, best-of-five, single elimination tournament between the top 4 teams from each group. Teams will be seeded based on by Regular Season win record, such that the Group A winner is the #1 seed, the Group B winner is the #2 seed, the Group B runner-up is the #3 seed, and so on. The winning team will advance to the College Championship based on Section 2 of the College Championship Rules.

1.5. Schedule

1.5.1. **Default Match Time**. All Conference Regular Season and Conference Playoff matches are scheduled for Saturday at 3:00pm Eastern Time.

1.5.2. **Regular Season**
    1.5.2.1. Round 1: Jan 22 - Jan 28
    1.5.2.2. Round 2: Jan 29 - Feb 4
    1.5.2.3. Round 3: Feb 5 - Feb 11
    1.5.2.4. Round 4: Feb 12 - Feb 18
    1.5.2.5. Round 5: Feb 19 - Feb 25
    1.5.2.6. Round 6: Feb 26 - Mar 3

1.5.3. **Conference Playoffs**
    1.5.3.1. Quarterfinals: Mar 18 - Mar 24
    1.5.3.2. Semifinals: Mar 25 - Mar 31
    1.5.3.3. Finals: Apr 1 - Apr 7

1.5.4. **Changes to Schedule**. College Season officials may, at their sole discretion, re-order the schedule of matches within a given day and/or change the date of a College Season match to a different date or otherwise modify the schedule of matches. In the event that the match schedule is modified, officials will notify all teams at the earliest convenience.