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High School Sports

South repeats as state Division I softball champion

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South Anchorage outfielder Maile Mohl, left, and short stop Emily McCutcheon, right, collide while pursuing a fly ball during the ASAA State High School Softball Championships Division I

championship game between the South Anchorage Wolverines and Chugiak Mustangs Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the South Davis Softball Complex in Fairbanks, Alaska. McCutcheon made the catch and was able to hold on to the ball despite the collision. Chugiak started out strong scoring two runs at their first at bat, but it was all South Anchorage after that, with the Wolverines winning the game 10-2 in the 5th inning. (Photo by Eric Engman)

The South High softball team topped Chugiak 10-2 on Saturday to take the Alaska Division I Tournament championship at South Davis Park in Fairbanks.

South scored three in the first inning, five in the second inning and tacked on two in the third. That was all the Wolverines needed to earn back-to-back state titles. Chugiak scored both of its runs in the first inning.

The 2021 title game saw a similar score and an identical outcome. South beat Chugiak 8-2 in that one.



South Anchorage's Emily McCutcheon, back, celebrates the game-winning out thrown to first base by pitcher Millicent Wurst, foreground, during the ASAA State High School Softball Championships Division I championship game between the South Anchorage Wolverines and Chugiak Mustangs Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the South Davis Softball Complex in Fairbanks, Alaska. Chugiak started out strong scoring two runs at their first at bat, but it was all South Anchorage after that, with the Wolverines winning the game 10-2 in the 5th inning. (Photo by Eric Engman)

Junior Alexis Moore and freshman Ryan Hutchinson each had three hits for South.

Madison Williams, Emily McCutcheon and Milly Wurst each earned all-state honors for South, which finished the season 25-3-1 overall.

Williams had two hits in the championship game and McCutcheon had two hits and two RBI.



South Anchorage's Ryan Hutchison, right, slides into third base to beat the tag by Chugiak third baseman Mallory Collins, left, during the ASAA State High School Softball Championships Division I championship game between the South Anchorage Wolverines and Chugiak Mustangs Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the South Davis Softball Complex in Fairbanks, Alaska. Chugiak started out strong scoring two runs at their first at bat, but it was all South Anchorage after that, with the Wolverines winning the game 10-2 in the 5th inning. (Photo by Eric Engman)



Chugiak's Sophia Fuller connects with the ball during first inning action at the ASAA State High School Softball Championships Division I championship game between the South Anchorage Wolverines and Chugiak Mustangs Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the South Davis Softball Complex in Fairbanks, Alaska. Chugiak started out strong scoring two runs at their first at bat, but it was all South Anchorage after that, with the Wolverines winning the game 10-2 in the 5th inning. (Photo by Eric Engman)

In the DII title game, Ketchikan defeated Thunder Mountain 9-1. Mackenzie Pahang got the win in the circle for the Lady Kings. Ketchikan finished the season 25-12.

State Softball Tournament

At South Davis Park in Fairbanks

Division I

Thursday's results (pool play)

Pool A at Field 3

South 13 West Valley 2

Chugiak 12, West Valley 1

South 8, Chugiak 7

Pool B at Field 4

Colony 8, Dimond 7

East 17, Dimond 15

East 13, Colony 12

Friday's results

Winner's bracket

West Valley 10, Colony 6

Chugiak 18, Dimond 15

South 10, West Valley 2

Chugiak 12, East 2

Loser-out

East 13, Colony 5

Dimond 22, West Valley 3

Saturday's results

Winner's bracket

South 12, Chugiak 1

Loser-out

East 8, Dimond 4

Chugiak 14, East 6

Championship

South 10, Chugiak 2

Division II

Thursday's results (pool play)

Pool A at Field 1

Ketchikan 10, Kodiak 4

Delta Junction 3, Kodiak 1

Delta 12, Ketchikan 11

Pool B at Field 2

Homer 13, North Pole 11

Thunder Mountain 10, North Pole 2

Thunder Mountain 11, Homer 1

Friday's results

Winner's bracket

Homer 5, Kodiak 2

Ketchikan 6, North Pole 5

Delta 17, Homer 10

Ketchikan 8, Thunder Mountain 0

Loser-out

Thunder Mountain 12, Kodiak 0

North Pole 9, Homer 1

Saturday's results

Winner's bracket

Ketchikan 12, Delta 5

Loser-out

Thunder Mountain 12, North Pole 0

Thunder Mountain 19, Delta 11

Championship

Ketchikan 9, Thunder Mountain 1