## **ENYTB Tournament Format - 7 Team Bracket**

Format consists of two phases:

PHASE I – Play For Seeding In PHASE II

Each team plays two of six possible opponents and is guaranteed one BYE in first three rounds of the tournament. Each pair of opponents are selected to yield a similar strength of schedule for all 7 teams.

## PHASE II – Single Elimination Play

- 1. In a 7 team bracket, all 7 teams advance to Phase II.
- 2. Teams are seeded into PHASE II play based on the results of PHASE I play (tie-breakers are provided separately).
  - Team with the best record is the #1 seed;
  - Team with 2<sup>nd</sup> best record is the #2 seed;
  - Team with 3<sup>rd</sup> best record is the #3 seed, etc.
- 3. Round 4 Pairings (3 Games):
  - #1 seed receives a BYE;
  - #2 seed plays #7 seed;
  - #3 seed plays #6 seed; and,
  - #4 seed plays #5 seed.
- 4. Round 5 Pairings (2 Games):
  - #1 seed plays winner of #4 v #5 seed; and,
  - Remaining two Round 4 winners play each other.
- 5. Round 6 CHAMPIONSHIP Game

## 6. Scheduling

- TH/FR Round 1
- SAT Rounds 2 & 3
- SUN Rounds 4 & 5
- Mon Round 6

NOTE: Teams that play in Round 1 have the flexibility of choosing Th or Fr play, when necessary, provided their request is made prior to the scheduling of the tournament games.

NOTE: Also, the teams that are on Bye in round 1, must play two games on Saturday. Thus, preferences for round 1 byes are given to more distant, non-local teams. At the discretion of the tournament director, local teams that are not available to play on TH/FR may be granted a BYE in Round 1 provided the request is submitted to the tournament director before the tournament games are scheduled.