Mother Nature and the elements have always been the common opponent for baseball teams playing in the annual Wilson County Invitational Tournament -- set to crank up Wednesday.

Rain has played havoc with the event for the past several years, forcing last minute schedule changes and moving games from site to site. Weather might enter into the picture again this year as thunderstorms are in the forecast for Thursday and Friday.

Four venues will be utilized this year, Mt. Juliet, Wilson Central, Lebanon's Veterans Field and Friendship Christian -- all with lights.

Action is set to start Wednesday with pool games at three sites, including: Clarksville at Mt. Juliet High; Macon County at Wilson Central and Father Ryan at Friendship. First pitch at all three venues is scheduled for 6 p.m.

Pool play will decide seedings for a single-elimination tournament which will begin Saturday at 1 p.m. Pool champions will play Sunday in a final four at 2 p.m. followed by the championship game at 5 p.m.

Sites of Sunday's play will be determined by field conditions and pool winners.

Thursday's schedule
at Mt. Juliet High
3:30 p.m. White House vs. Beech
6 p.m. Creek Wood High vs. White House
8:30 p.m. Mt. Juliet vs. Creek Wood.
at Wilson Central
3:30 Macon County vs. Station Camp
6 p.m. Oakland vs. Macon County

8:30 p.m. Oakland vs. Wilson Central.
at Veterans Field
1 p.m. Smyrna vs. Ezell Harding Academy
3:30 p.m. Lebanon vs. Smyrna
6 p.m Lebanon vs. Trousdale County
8:30 p.m. Portland vs. Trousdale County.
at Friendship Christian
3:30 Hendersonville vs. Father Ryan
6 p.m. Hendersonville vs. Christ Presbyterian
8:30 p.m. Friendship Christian vs. Christ Presbyterian.

Friday's schedule
at Mt. Juliet
3:30 p.m. Clarksville vs. Beech
6 p.m. Clarksville vs. Creek Wood
8:30 p.m. Mt. Juliet vs. White House.
at Wilson Central
3:30 p.m. Oakland vs. Station Camp
6 p.m. Clarksville Northwest vs. Station Camp
8:30 p.m. Wilson Central vs. Northwest.
at Veterans Field
3:30 p.m. Smyrna vs. Gallatin
6 p.m. Ezell Harding vs. Gallatin
8:30 p.m. Lebanon vs. Ezell Harding.
at Friendship Christian
5 p.m. Portland vs. Father Ryan High.
7:30 p.m. Friendship Christian vs. Hendersonville

Final pool games to be played Saturday, before the start of the elimination round.
at Wilson Central
10 a.m. Northwest vs. Beech
at Veterans Field
10 a.m. Gallatin vs. Trousdale County
at Friendship Christian
10 a.m. Portland vs. Christ Presbyterian.