Alaska Rural Communication Service set to provide statewide high school sports coverage

The Alaska Rural Communications Service will begin providing statewide high school sports coverage this week according to ARCS Sports Director Jay Barrett.

"At first, we're only going to be able to pass on scores between programs," Barrett said, "But in the future, we're planning a 15minute program that will include interviews with coaches and players, and even video from different schools."

Starting Wednesday, November 1, scores from the past weekend of high school action will be aired several times throughout the day.

"Because of the way ARCS is set up, we can only air programming originating from here during the evenings on Wednesday and Friday," Barrett said, "So on Wednesdays, we'll be passing out scores from the past weekend." Besides programming originating out of Bethel, ARCS's home, entire blocks of programming are re-broadcast from Anchorage stations on other nights.

In the future, ARCS will also be announcing the schedule of games for the upcoming weekend. The sports score service is just

the first step in developing a

weekly sports show dedicated to providing scores and stories from only rural communities.

If you would like to see your high school varsity scores and schedules aired on ARCS, contact Jay Barrett by phone at 1-907-543-3131, by fax at 1-907-543-3130, or by eMail at jay_barrett@ddc-alaska.org.