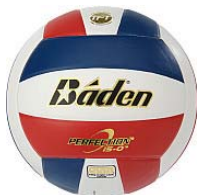

2017 Spring Boys' Volleyball

Sport Specific Information



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Ms. Jane Bergin (B)
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MASS

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Ms. Patricia Gonzalez
Mr. Rudolph Weekes

2017 Boys' Volleyball Tournament		
Entry Requirements & Information	Date	Tournament Director
Season Schedule & Commitment	April 15, 2017	Tournament Director contact information is available in the "Members Only" section of the MIAA website North Brian McNally South Joyce Skiff Central Judith Slamin West Debbie Loomer State Judith Slamin
Tournament Entry	Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 6:00 pm	
Cut-Off Date: (Matches played after this date will not count for tournament qualification)	*Monday, May 22, 2017	
Seeding: South & Central	Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 10:30 am at the MIAA Office	
Seeding: North	Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 11:30 am at the MIAA Office	
Seeding: West	Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 11:00 am at Agawam High School	
First Round	May 25-May 27, 2017	
Sectional Quarter Finals	May 29- June 1, 2017	
Sectional Semi-Finals	June 3- June 5, 2017	
Sectional Finals	June 7- June 9, 2017	
State Semi-Finals: <i>Proposed date and times Subject to change</i>	June 12-June 13, 2017 North vs. South Central vs. West	
State Finals <i>Proposed date and times Subject to change</i>	June 15-16, 2017 (Thursday/Friday) depending on graduation exercises	

	Deadline
Season Schedule and Commitment	April 15, 2017
Tournament Entry	May 17, 2017 - 6:00 pm
Official Tournament Roster	May 17, 2017 - 6:00 pm
Sportsmanship Nomination	May 17, 2017

A. Qualifying Criteria

1. Only the first three (3) matches against the same opponent (including matches which are part of a league play-off) will count toward tournament qualification.
2. A school must schedule and compete in a minimum of ten (10) qualifying matches to be eligible for tournament play.

B. Seeding

1. North, South and Central Seeding will be based on overall seeding won/lost percentage. Ties will be resolved as follows:
 - a) **Head-to-Head Results** (the Volleyball Committee voted that the results of an "excluded" match would be utilized under seeding step 1, head to head results). The team with the "advantage" in head-to-head competition (1-0, 2-0, and 2-1) will be given the higher seed. If there is a "go-around" lack of resolution between three or more teams (A beats B, B beats C, C beats A), a blind draw will determine placement.
 - b) If tie still exists after applying #1 above, a blind draw will determine placement.
2. West Seeding will continue to use the Modified Walker System.

C. Pairing Announcement

1. Pairings and Tournament Information will be available on MIAA website, <http://www.miaa.net> throughout the tournament
2. Game times are determined by the Tournament Director and MIAA Staff Liaison.
3. The Principal / Athletic Director will continue to be contacted throughout the tournament to provide information on next match and site.

D. Postponement

The rescheduling of a postponed tournament match will be the decision of the MIAA Staff Liaison and Tournament Director.

E. Site Information

1. All matches prior to the Sectional Finals will be played on the home court of the higher seeded team **unless the Tournament Director determines this court is unsuitable for tournament play**. Neutral sites will be utilized for sectional finals, state semi-finals and finals.
2. ***The MIAA Volleyball Committee has approved that sites used for semi-final and final matches MUST have bleacher seating for 500.***
3. Criteria for a suitable facility have been determined by the MIAA Volleyball Committee consistent with NCAA Women's Volleyball Rules & Regulations.
4. **NEW:** Through sectional quarter finals, the host school will provide and compensate for a written scorer, libero tracker, and scoreboard scorer. During sectional semi-final play, the host school will provide the scoreboard scorer, while the MIAA will schedule the written scorer and the libero tracker. The MIAA will begin compensation for all these positions beginning with sectional semi-final play.

F. Practice Regulations

No competing team is to practice on a tournament site after having qualified for the tournament. (Exception – if it is a team's home site.)

G. Official Ball

The official game volleyball will be the Baden multi-color, leather, Perfection 15-0. The Tournament Director will be responsible for game balls beginning with the sectional semi-final matches.

H. Team Roster

Team rosters shall include a maximum of eighteen (18) players. In addition, each team will be allowed not more than eight (8) additional people on the bench for a total of twenty-six (26). These eight (8) people shall include coaches, managers, and medical personnel. NO spectators are allowed on the bench. Each team is to bring to the tournament site one hundred (100) team rosters for distribution to spectators and press.

I. Contest Rules

***1. All matches shall be governed by rules stated in the NCAA 2017 Women's Volleyball Rules, except as modified in the MIAA Handbook or this format.

- a. The 2017 Volleyball Tournament will be three out of five sets, rally scoring. (5th game 15 / must win by 2).
- b. Each team will consist of those players submitted on the Official Tournament Roster. These players only will be eligible and sit on the bench (Bench number not to exceed 18).
- c. The decisions of the MIAA Volleyball Committee relative to the operation of the tournament shall be final. The Tournament Director or designated site manager is responsible for making all decisions at the site.

J. Officials

1. The best qualified rated and **MIAA Enrolled** Volleyball Officials available will be assigned to all tournament matches.
2. Officials must have officiated a minimum of 10 MIAA high school matches during the regular season.
3. When possible there will be four officials at all tournament matches – to be used as follows: first official, second official, two line judges.
4. Officials will be used as written scorers and libero trackers beginning with sectional semi-finals.
5. No high school student is allowed to be a line judge.
6. The MIAA will NOT require coaches & AD's to recommend officials for utilization in the assigning of tournament officials. League Assignor recommendations will be utilized for all assignments.

K. Medical Coverage

A licensed athletic trainer, physician, physician's assistant, certified EMT, or nurse practitioner will be available at all tournament contests. This coverage will be provided by the host school through sectional semi-final play. Compensation for medical coverage will be the host school's responsibility through sectional quarter finals. The MIAA will begin compensation starting with sectional semi-final play.

L. Participating School Supervision Protocol (Sectional Finals – State Semi-finals – State Finals)

- No later than 24 hours before game, please contact the respective Tournament Director with the names of your school’s designated site supervisors.
- The list should include a minimum of **3 supervisors. (Principal or designee, Athletic Director or designee, and a minimum of one additional).**
- Supervisors are asked to arrive at the game site and sign in with the Tournament Director or designated Site Director no later than 30 minutes before game time.
- Upon arrival, the Tournament/Site Director shall review the roles/responsibilities, to include:
 - Observe and monitor the school’s spectators upon entrance into the gymnasium and assist in seating students in your designated area. **It is understood that the Tournament Director/Site Supervisor will determine and post the designated student seating section for all participating schools.**
 - Remain stationed in close proximity to your spectator section. The Site Director will request any specific supervisor placements based on venue and spectator needs.
 - Remain visible to your spectator base and accessible to tournament staff until spectators exit gymnasium.
 - Help ensure positive behaviors and sportsmanship.
 - Assist in ensuring that no one other than team players, bench personnel, and school leaders has access to the playing court (before, during, and after game).
- ❖ **Awards Ceremonies: Post-Game of Sectional Finals and State Final**
 - Upon completion of game, the Principal and Athletic Director are asked to report to the scorers table and assist the Tournament Director with the program.
 - Monitor post-game handshake.
 - Assist with the team line-up as designed by the tournament staff.
 - Assist with presenting medals and awards

PRE-MATCH PROTOCOL / WARM-UP PROCEDURE

Please schedule match times that provide a reasonable amount of time to arrive at the contest site.

Sample Warm-up Procedure

Will be utilized in all MIAA Volleyball Tournament Contests

Actual Time (e.g. 7:00 match)	Visible Clock	Protocol
6:30 – 6:45	:30 - :13	COIN FLIP (Court available for shared warm-ups) <i>(NO hitting or serving across net)</i>
6:47 – 6:53	:13 - :07	Visiting Team Court
6:53 – 6:59	:07 - :01	Home Team Court
6:59 – 7:00	:01	Team Huddle / Announcements
7:00	:00	Match begins with introductions and National Anthem

A minimum of 30 Minutes will be allotted between matches

MIAA Volleyball Tournament Protocol

Every tournament contest is the last game of the tournament for one team and their fans. Please do everything that you can to make every single volleyball tournament match that you host a special event for the participating students.

Before the contest:

1. Contact the Athletic Director of the visiting school(s) and insure that they know how to get to your school, when to arrive and if you are going to sell tickets at the contest. Tell them where to park their buses and where fans are expected to park. Arrange to have a trainer present at every tournament site.
2. Prepare a secure place for officials to meet and change. Keep in mind that you may have male and female officials.
3. Ensure that the officials use the Warm-up-Protocol as published in the Volleyball Tournament Format. Have a copy available at the scorer's table.
4. Provide a scorer, libero tracker and announcer.
5. Make sure that the officials meet with the coaches, and that officials and captains hold a pre-game meeting addressing proper conduct of the match and expectations for sportsmanship. Read the MIAA Taunting Policy.
6. Announce the names of all individual players, coaches and officials before the contest.
7. Play the National Anthem immediately before the match begins.

State and Sectional Semi-final and Final Matches:

1. Make sure that each coach and captains are informed regarding where they should report and what they should do during the Awards Ceremony if one is to be conducted. Instruct the announcer to ask fans to remain seated until the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony. Place chaperones and security personnel on the perimeter of the playing area 10 minutes before the conclusion of the match to keep fans off of the playing court until the conclusion of the award ceremony.
2. All participants should march onto the playing court. Your local facility will determine the marching protocol.
3. The order of marching is:
 - 1st Official
 - 2nd Official
 - Other dressed officials
 - Team Members
 - Coaches

Memo to: MIAA Boys Volleyball Coaches and Athletic Directors
From: Jim Peters
Re: Volleyball Sportsmanship Award



2017 Boys Volleyball Sportsmanship Award

The MIAA Tournament Management Committee has approved an Annual Sportsmanship Award. This award will be presented to one school in every sport at MIAA State Championship Tournaments.

We would like to encourage you to nominate a boys volleyball team for consideration by the MIAA Volleyball Committee for recognition at the MIAA Volleyball Championship Tournament. Nominated teams do not have to be tournament teams but should exemplify the tenets of good sportsmanship to the highest degree. Self-nominations are acceptable.

I would like to nominate the following team for consideration of the MIAA Volleyball Team Sportsmanship Award: _____.

Please describe 3 concrete examples of behavior that exemplifies true sportsmanship on and off the court that were demonstrated by this team during this season. Please be specific. Return this form to the MIAA Office, Attn. Jim Peters, by May 17, 2017.

1.

2.

3.

Your name:	Signature:
Position:	Phone:
School:	



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