

Our Athletic League Rules for Basketball

ADMINISTRATION

- A. The maximum age limit for an A-Team player is 15 years of age before September 1 of the annual school year. Special age considerations in any activity should be brought before the league. If these considerations are not brought to our attention, that participant will be declared ineligible. Any games played with such ineligible player will be forfeited.
- B. A-Teams will be for grades 6-8th and B-Teams will be for grades 3-5th for all sports.
- C. A student may “play up” if the coach, parent, and school deem safe and appropriate for an athlete’s skills and abilities. At no time may a Kinderarten-2nd grade athlete play on the A or B teams, for safety reasons. No 6th or 8th graders may play on the B teams. (2019)
- D. The decision on ties for first place in final league standings, in any sport, will result in league co-champions.
- E. A player or coach, in any sport, who receives a conduct technical, will be removed from that game plus the following game. (1999)
 - a. The coach must leave the sporting event, the relocation is up to that school’s discretion.
- F. A player receiving a technical foul for unsportsmanlike behavior will result in the player’s immediate suspension from the remainder of the game, plus one additional game but may remain sitting on the bench.
- G. Every player on the roster will play in each game/match. If the situation occurs that a player cannot play due to disciplinary reasons, that player’s coach is responsible to inform the opposing coach prior to the start of the game.
- H. Three Touch Ruling (To be applied per sport)
As directed by the principals a three touch rule has been adopted and is enforced. Each team will be allowed only three functions per week (Sunday-Thursday-2009). Example: 2 practices, 1 game or 2 games 1 practice. “Open gyms” are counted as a touch.

TOURNAMENTS

League tournaments will be for A teams only. B teams will not have league tournaments.

ADMISSION PRICES

Entry fee for all sports using the gymnasium will be the same admission: Admission for league games is: \$2 adults, \$1 children K-8, and children 5 and under are FREE. Season Booster passes will be \$20 for family (2 adults), \$10 single adult, and \$5 students K-8. (2017) Booster tickets from competing schools will be accepted

BASKETBALL- B TEAMS: Fall Season (Oct-Dec) A TEAMS: Winter Season (Dec-Feb)

- A. All uniformed players must play in the game. (2015) If a violation occurs, a bench technical will be assessed (2 shots) for each player not played. (1990)
- B. The National Federation of State High School Association rules will apply for A-Team competition with the following exception:
 - 1. Three point shot’s will be counted for “A” team games if the gym that the game is played in has the three point line. (2006)
 - 2. Women’s size (28.5”) ball will be used for both boys’ and girls’ games.
 - 3. There is to be no full-court pressing with a 20-point lead. The defense will not be allowed to cross the top of the key until the ball has advanced past half court. After one warning a bench technical will be assessed against the defense for each violation. (2004)
 - 4. Each quarter will be 7 minutes long with a 7-minute half time.
 - 5. There will be 3 full 1 minute timeouts and two 30 second timeouts per game.

6. With a 20-point lead a running clock will start. This rule will start in the second half of the game. It will remain a running clock until score drops to a 15 point lead. Clock will stop for free throws and timeouts only in the last minute of 4th quarter. (2017)
 7. Free throws- players standing on either side of the box may go on the release of the shot. Shooter may go after the ball hits the rim. (2017)
 8. Coaches, Ref's, and AD's may stop the game to talk with their team if the safety of the players are at risk. The game can then continue. (2017)
- C. The National Federation of State High School Association rules will apply for B-Team competition with the following exceptions:
1. There will be no three point shot.
 2. Women's size ball (28.5") will be used for both boys' and girls' games.
 3. Each quarter will be 6 minutes in length with a six-minute half time.
 4. A line 3-feet long will be placed on the floor at a distance of 13 feet from the basket, in the 3-second area. This line will be used as the free throw line for the B-Team games only.
 5. There will be NO full-court pressure with the exception of the last 2 minutes of the game and any overtime periods.
 6. There is no pressing with a 20-point lead. (1994)
 7. There is to be no defensive pressure for B-Teams in the backcourt. The defense will not be allowed to cross the top of the key until the ball has advanced past half court. After one warning a bench technical will be assessed against the defense for each violation- and will continue until the last 2 minutes of the game when pressing is finally allowed. Free throws will continue to be shot as long as the pressing continues. The technical fouls for backcourt pressing will **NOT** result in the removal of the coach from the game. (2001)
 8. There will be one 3 minute overtime period for games tied at the end of regulation play. Overtime periods for tournaments will be 3 minutes.
 9. Each school is to provide a competent adult referee (16 years or older) for all B-games.
 10. No trophies will be awarded for B-team league play.
 11. There will be 3 full 1 min. timeouts and two 30 second timeouts per game.
- C. A traveling trophy will be awarded for A-Teams for league play and second place will receive a plaque. (2015)
- D. Starting time for the first game will be 5:30 P. M. Doors will open one-half hour before the game. Girl teams will play first. Prayers, The National Anthem, and announcements is done at each school's discretion.