

Policy 5270 VOLLEYBALL (Girls)

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I. Scheduling

- Each division will determine its league schedule.
- Home site for regular season match will rotate each year.
- Division schedule will rotate every two years with the last game being moved to the first and other games moved back accordingly.
- Blue and Gold Divisions will play matches on Tuesday and Thursday. Red and White Divisions will play matches on Monday and Wednesday.
- Playing dates will be scheduled on a rotating basis every two years.

II. Division Championship Determination

- Each division will determine how the division championship is determined.
- Wins are worth one point in division standings, and a loss is worth zero points.
- Regular season champion will get the same number of points as there are teams in the division.
- Points will be awarded to other teams in descending order of finish.
- Ties will split points.
- Divisions that sponsor a post season league tournament:
 - ✓ Regular season competition will count one-half toward the overall championship.
 - ✓ The division meet will count one-half toward the overall championship.
 - ✓ The team with the most points will be seeded first for the tournament.
 - ✓ In case of a two-way tie for a position in the standings, head-to-head results will determine the order of finish for tournament seeding purposes.
 - ✓ If three or more teams are tied for a spot, head-to-head results will be the first criteria for breaking the tie, followed by the set record between schools involved in the tie, followed by the total number of points given up versus the teams involved in the tie will be used to break the tie for tournament seeding purposes.
 - ✓ The league tournament champion will get the same number of points as there are teams in the division. Points will be awarded to other teams in descending order of finish.

- ✓ Regular season points will be added to tournament points and the team with the highest point total will be declared the champion.

III. Starting Times

- Freshmen: 5:00 p.m.
- Junior Varsity: 5:00 p.m.
- Varsity: Following Freshman and JV matches.

IV. Rules of the Game

- All MHSAA and National Federation rules will be followed.
- The National Anthem will be played before the varsity game, only.
- Varsity matches will be best of five games, rally scoring as determined by the MHSAA (first four games to twenty-five, win by two, no cap, fifth game to fifteen, no cap).
- Sub-varsity matches will be best of three, scoring to twenty-five, with deciding game scored to fifteen. Same cap rule as varsity. If a sub-varsity match is decided after the second game, a third game may be played with approval of both coaches. The third game would be played to 15 points or up to the one hour time limit.

V. Host School Responsibilities

- Provide MHSAA registered officials as follows:
 - ✓ Freshman: Two Officials that will stay and do varsity lines.
 - ✓ JV: Two Officials
 - ✓ Varsity: Four Officials (usually from the JV contest)
- Line judges (adults preferred) for Freshman and JV matches. Home team will provide ALL sub-varsity line judges. Home team will provide flags for line judges.
- Three Tri-Colored Balls
- Practice balls for both teams.
- Water and ice will be provided for both teams. Towel at each net.
- Locker room facilities for the visiting team.
- Certified athletic trainer or doctor (if possible).
- Adult scorer for the varsity game.

VI. Reporting Scores

The host school will report scores to:

- Jackson Citizen Patriot (877-270-9533)
- Email rmcgowan@mlive.com or ehammis@mlive.com
- Lansing State Journal (800-365-1068)
- Email sports@lsj.com

VII. Pre-Game and Warm-Up

- The courts are to be available thirty-minutes prior to the start of the match.
- Warm-up for the varsity will be 4-4-4-4-4 with the last four minutes combined. Warm-up for sub varsity will be 4H-4V-4H-4V.

VIII. Make-Up Dates

Postponed games will be made up the next available date.

IX. Regular Season Match Format

All varsity matches will be the best of five or the current standard as set forth by the MHSAA.

X. Division Tournament

Divisions that sponsor a post season league tournament (optional by division):

- The host school will be rotated each year by alphabetical order.
- The tournament will be seeded based upon the order of finish in the regular season.
- A two court set-up may be used for all rounds except the final when a main court system will be used.
- The same match format as used in the regular season will be used in the tournament.
- JV and freshman tournaments will be held at the discretion of each division and must be determined before the season starts. No trophies or medals will be awarded.