

## **Policy 5110 BASKETBALL (Boys & Girls)**

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### **I. Scheduling**

All teams will play a double round-robin schedule.

Teams will play home and away each season.

Tuesdays --Triple headers. Thursdays will be sub-varsity double headers opposite sites. Fridays will be Varsity Double headers.

For Thursdays sub-varsity games: The school hosting the varsity game will host the girls freshman and JV. The away varsity team will host the boys freshman and JV on the preceding night.

The league schedule will rotate every two years with the last game being moved to the first and other games moved back accordingly.

### **II. Division Championship Determination**

Two points for a win, one point for a tie, and zero points for a loss.

### **III. Starting Times**

Triple Headers will start at 4:00 p.m. with 15 minutes between the freshman and JV games. There will be a 20 minute warm up between the JV and Varsity games.

Sub-varsity Double Headers will start at 5:30 p.m. The JV game will start fifteen-minutes after the freshman game.

Varsity Double Headers will start at 6:00 p.m. The second game can start 20 minutes after the completion of the first game or 15 minutes after the completion of the first game with approval of both coaches.

Boys play first on "odd" years and girls play first on "even" years on Varsity Double Header nights (Follow MHSAA cross country rotation).

### **IV. Pre-Game Warm-Up**

The court is to be available thirty-minutes prior to the start of the first contest.

Freshman and JV teams get a maximum of fifteen-minutes warm-up. Varsity will get a maximum of twenty-minutes warm-up.

A longer warm-up must be agreed upon by both schools.

The introductions and the *National Anthem* will not be part of the pre-game warm-up. During introductions starting players are expected to shake the hand of the opposing coach.

When a host school conducts a special activity that will interrupt the routine, they shall be required to notify the visiting AD at least forty-eight hours in advance.

## **V. Rules of the Game**

All MHSAA and National Federation rules will be followed.

The MHSAA mercy rule will apply for varsity, JV, and freshman games.

Only 12 cheerleaders will be allowed on the floor during the game. Any number is allowed during time-outs and half-time.

Only the home team may have a pep band. The pep band must be under the supervision of an adult.

No noisemakers will be allowed.

White uniforms at home; dark on the road.

Spectators will be prohibited from forming pep lines on the game floor.

## **VI. Game Format**

Games will be four quarters of eight-minutes each.

Half-time will be ten-minutes long unless both teams agree to an extension.

## **VII. Host School Responsibilities**

Provide registered MHSAA officials at each level:

Freshman: Two Officials

JV: Two Officials

Varsity: Three Officials

Schools have the option of contracting three officials to work sub-varsity double headers.

Warm-up balls for both teams.

Water and ice for both teams.

Locker room facilities for the visiting team.

Chalkboard or equivalent for visitors.

Changing area for officials.

Certified athletic trainer or doctor (if possible).

Visiting teams are expected to provide its own athletic training tape.

Provide an adult as the timer, announcer, and scorer for varsity games.

Host school trainers will tape the visiting team (if asked). As a courtesy, the visiting team should bring taping supplies.

## **VIII. Make-Up Dates**

Postponed dates will be made up on the next available date.

Division games take precedence over non-division games.

**IX. Reporting Scores**

The host school will report scores to:

*Jackson Citizen Patriot* (877-270-9533)

Email [rmcgowan@mlive.com](mailto:rmcgowan@mlive.com) or ehammis@mlive.com

*Lansing State Journal* (800-365-1068)

Email sports@lsj.com