

## **Policy 5180 ICE HOCKEY**

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### **I. Scheduling and Format**

- The schedule consists of a double round robin regular season.
- Varsity competition will be scheduled by the Hockey Secretary.
- Games will be scheduled using Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday dates as ice is available.
- The CAAC championship shall be determined by the CAAC regular season win/loss point system. If there remains two (2) teams with the same number of points, they shall be named co-champions.

### **II. Make-Up Dates**

- Games cancelled by Athletic Directors because of school closures or snow will be made up as ice is available. The Hockey secretary will contact rinks for available ice and schedule to the satisfaction of both teams involved.
- Postponement or cancellation of a game requires the home team to notify the CAAC Hockey secretary no later than 2:30 pm on the day of the contest. The Hockey secretary will notify all parties of the cancellation including the rinks, the referees, both teams, and game staff.

### **III. Starting Time**

Game starting time will be no later than 9:00 pm.

### **IV. Rules**

- MHSAA Guidelines will be used for all CAAC contests. Period length will not exceed MHSAA Guidelines.
- The eight (8) goal mercy rule will be in effect. An 8 goal differential during the first or second periods will start a running clock. If the differential becomes 7 goals, then the clock will go back to stop time. An 8 goal differential at any time during the third period and the game will be over.
- Team will wear light uniforms at home and dark uniforms away.
- Ice makes will be done between the 1st and 2nd and again between the 2nd and 3rd period. There will be no ice make between regular game time and overtime.
- The home team is responsible for providing trainer/medical coverage.
- Official Scorekeeper/Timekeeper for Lansing venues will be scheduled by the Hockey Secretary and will be qualified for this position. Official Scorekeeper/Timekeeper for Jackson venues will be scheduled by the home team and will be qualified for this position.

- Referees for Lansing venues will be scheduled by the local Referees Association as requested by the Hockey Secretary. Referees for Jackson venues will be scheduled by the local Referees Association as requested by the home team. Referees will be MHSAA sanctioned. There will be three (3) referees (two referees and one linesman) for each game.
- Penalty box operators will be adults of the age 18 and over and will be provided by each team for their respective box. If the visiting team does not provide a penalty box operator, the home team must do so.
- Occupation of the bench is restricted to those students listed on a current eligibility list.
- Coaches shall supervise the conduct of athletes, model sportsmanship and expect good behavior.
- The official scorekeeper/timekeeper shall provide a copy of the game sheet to the referees upon request. The original of the game sheet will be submitted to the referees in the case of Game Disqualification.

#### **V. Game Venue Responsibilities**

Lansing venue game responsibilities by Hockey Secretary. Jackson venue game responsibilities by home team.

- Schedule referees.
- Provide warmup and game pucks
- Provide off-ice officials and staff.
- Provide official scoresheet.
- Provide penalty box water.

#### **VI. Pre-Game and Warm-Up Time**

- The ice will be clean before warm-up.
- The clock shall be set at 7 minutes and activated when both teams have taken the ice.
- Pucks will be available as soon as the teams have taken the ice.
- The home team is responsible for picking up and returning the warm-up pucks to the scorebox.
- Announcements of starting line-ups, player introduction or the National Anthem shall not be considered part of warm-up activities.
- Senior night activities shall be held before starting line-ups and the National Anthem. The home team must notify the visiting team at least 48 hours in advance that Senior night activities will be conducted.