

## **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 Red Divisions will play matches on Tuesday. Gold and White Divisions will play matches on Wednesday.

### **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, 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 contests 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.
- Two game balls.
- Practice balls for both teams.
- Water and ice will be provided for both teams.
- 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 (800-878-3267)
- Lansing State Journal (800-365-1068)

### **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 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):

- Division meet will be held the Saturday prior to the Districts unless academic testing dates interfere.
- 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.