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CIF/Central Coast Section Basketball Bylaws



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Section 1. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

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| A. Seeding: | SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012, @ the CCS office
<i>8:30 AM – Boy's – All Divisions (League Reps only); 9:10 AM - Coaches may enter.</i>
<i>1:30 PM – Girl's – All Divisions (League Reps only); 2:10 PM - Coaches may enter.</i> |
| B. Evaluation: | MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012, @ the CCS office, 6:00 PM |

Section 2. TOURNAMENT DATES

The 2012 CCS Basketball Tournament is scheduled to be held as follows:

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| <i>1st/2nd Rounds:</i> | Tuesday / Thursday, February 21 / 23, 2012 |
| <i>Quarter-Finals:</i> | Saturday, February 25, 2012 |
| <i>Semi-Finals:</i> | Tuesday / Wednesday, February 28 / 29, 2012 |
| <i>Finals:</i> | Friday / Saturday, March 02 / 03, 2011 |

Section 3. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Teams in all Divisions will participate in a single-elimination Tournament. The bracketing for all Divisions will be determined at the Seeding meeting. (See **Section 1.** above)

Section 4. QUALIFYING CRITERIA FOR ENTERING TOURNAMENT

A. METHODS OF QUALIFYING

In order to qualify for a berth into the Tournament, a team must meet at least one of the following criteria:

1. Be designated as League Champion; OR
2. Be designated as League Automatic Qualifier; OR
3. Have a league record of at least .500; OR
4. Have a non-league record of at least .500.

B. Automatic Qualifiers, including League Champions, are allocated to each League as follows:

BVAL - 6	WCAL - 2	MBL - 2	MTAL - 4	PAL - 4	
PSAL - 2	SCCAL - 2	SCVAL - 4	TCAL - 2	WBAL (boys) - 2	WBAL (girls) - 4

C. SUPPLEMENTAL LEAGUES

When two [2] or more basic Leagues join together to form supplemental Leagues, the following shall apply:

1. When two [2] or more supplemental Leagues are formed by the joining of two [2] or more basic Leagues that each had two [2] Automatic Qualifiers to CCS Play-offs, the new supplemental Leagues shall retain the total of their previous Automatic Qualifiers (e.g., League A and B each have two [2] Automatic Qualifiers. When new supplemental Leagues are formed combining A & B, they will have a total of four [4] Automatic Qualifiers).
2. The League Board of Managers having governance authority over the supplemental Leagues shall determine in its bylaws how those Automatic Qualifiers will be allocated from the supplemental Leagues. In the absence of a basic League tournament to determine Section qualifiers, the basic League MUST allocate an automatic berth to each of the supplemental League Champions.

- D. No Division bracket will have more than 16 teams participating unless the total number of qualifying League Champions and/or Automatic Qualifiers within any one (1) Division exceeds 16; in which case, the respective Division bracket will be expanded to accommodate those so designated teams.

E. SEASON SUMMARY SHEET

In order for his/her respective League's teams to be eligible to participate in the Section Tournament, each League Representative MUST attend the Basketball Seeding Meeting and submit to the CCS, BEFORE THE BEGINNING of the Seeding Meeting, a completed **Season Summary Sheet** for ALL TEAMS (Champion, other Automatic Qualifiers and At-Large entries) entering the Tournament from his/her League.

COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING THE SEASON SUMMARY SHEET TO THEIR LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE, OR THE CCS OFFICE, BEFORE THE SEEDING PROCESS BEGINS. TEAMS WITHOUT A COMPLETED SEASON SUMMARY SHEET AT THE SEEDING MEETING WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SECTION TOURNAMENT!!! (See APPENDIX for [BASKETBALL SEASON SUMMARY SHEET](#))

F. DIVISION PLACEMENT ([Click here for CCS schools' previous year CBEDS enrollments](#))

The previous school year's grade 9-12 CBEDS enrollment figures, as listed below, will be used for Divisional placement of CCS teams in the 2011-2012 Tournament. The following criteria will be used for Division placement:

- 1) Place all schools with enrollment of 500 or less in Division 5,
- 2) Divide the remaining school equally into Divisions 1 & 4

BOYS' DIVISIONS/ENROLLMENT	GIRLS' DIVISIONS/ENROLLMENT
I / 1881 - above	I / 1832 - above
II / 1518 - 1878	II / 1448 - 1826
III / 1118 -1486	III / 1033 - 1426
IV / 501-1083	IV / 501 - 1032
V / 0 - 500	V / 0 - 500

Section 5. SEEDING AND BRACKETING PROCEDURES

- A. At-Large selection and seeding criteria to be considered by the Basketball Sport Committee, in no specific order, include the following:

head-to-head competition	common opponents	significant wins
strength of schedule	strength of League	history

- B..The teams which meet the criteria and apply for entry through submission of a CCS Season Summary Form, in each Division will be subjectively selected (for at-large berths) by the CCS Basketball Committee (See Section 1.)
 - 1. League mates being considered for any at-large berth must be selected in order of league finish.
- C. The top 8 teams in each Division will be subjectively seeded by the CCS Basketball Committee with the top four (4) seeded teams in each Division receiving a bye, into the Quarter-finals. A League/Division may have only one (1) team, in order of League finish, on the board at any one time for consideration for seeding.
- D. The remaining non-seeded teams in each Division will be placed in the brackets considering the following criteria in rank order
 - 1. Teams will be separated into half brackets from the majority of their league mates whenever possible.
 - 2. Teams will not meet league mates in the first or second rounds whenever possible.
 - 3. Teams will be matched up in their half bracket with travel being the next criteria considered.
 - 4. If there are two rounds prior to quarter finals, In that second round, seeded teams will host.
 - 5. In the first round, hosting teams will be determined as follows:
 - a. If the teams meeting in the first round are league mates, hosting will be determined as follows:
 - i. The league mate with the higher league finish will host.
 - ii. If the league mates tied in their league finish, head to head results will determine which team will host.
 - iii. If there is no head to head comparison (i.e. the teams split) a coin will be flipped to determine which team will host. The team whose full school name is first alphabetically will call the toss.
 - b. If the teams meeting in the first round are not league mates, but are both members of a super league hosting will be determined as follows:
 - i. The team that comes from the "higher" division of their super league will host
 - ii. If both teams are from the same level of division of their respective super league, head to head results will determine which team will host
 - iii. If there are no head to head results a coin flip will determine which team will host. The team whose full school name s first alphabetically will call the toss.
 - c. If the teams meeting in the first round are not league mates and are not both members of a super league, league hosting will be determined as follows:
 - i. Head to head results will determine who hosts.
 - ii. If there is no head to head comparison, league finish will determine which team will host
 - iv. If neither i or ii breaks the tie, a coin flip will determine which team will host. The team whose full school name is first alphabetically will call the toss.

Section 6. RULES

The 2011-2012 National Federation Rules will apply during the Tournament. Any modifications adopted by the State CIF and CCS will supersede the Federation rules.

Section 7. OFFICIALS

The CCS Commissioner will contract with accredited local Officials Associations to provide Tournament officials.

Section 8. HOME TEAM / UNIFORMS / SCOREBOOK / SITES

- A. The "HOME TEAM" in each game is the team with the highest-seed number. The "HOME TEAM" bench shall be to the left of the scorer's table when facing the center of the floor.
- B. The "HOME TEAM" shall wear light uniforms.
- C. It is the responsibility of the "HOME TEAM" to notify the "VISITORS" prior to the game if they are unable to comply with **8.-B.** above.
- D. The "HOME TEAM" is responsible to provide the official score-keeper and scorebook through all rounds prior to the CCS Finals.
- E. Whenever possible, all Quarter- and Semi-Final games will be played at the same site and day within each gender and Division.

The CCS Commissioner and/or staff shall be responsible for all contracts for sites used during the CCS Play-offs. The CCS Commissioner and/or staff have sole authority to schedule or cancel sites, as well as full discretion as to the assignment or re-assignment of teams to times and sites throughout the CCS Play-offs. The CCS Commissioner and/or staff have the final authority in any disputes over sites or times of play, and the decision of the CCS Commissioner is not subject to appeal, due to the immediacy of running the Tournament for the good of the whole. Neutral sites are not a policy of the CCS and should not be expected in any rounds of play. Sites will be assigned by the CCS for the good of the Tournament.

Section 9. HOST ("HOME TEAM") 1ST ROUND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. The highest seed in all rounds preceding the Quarter-Finals of the Tournament shall host that game on its home floor, or (with the approval of the CCS) make arrangements to host it at a suitable, alternate facility.

B. THE HOST SCHOOL SHALL:

1. Provide all personnel necessary to properly host the game (i.e., score-table personnel [including game announcer]; ticket-sellers/takers; crowd-control supervisors [if needed]; and other personnel required for reasonable game management).
2. Provide tickets for sale at the gate at the established CCS admission prices, as stated below, **for all rounds prior to Quarter-Finals:**

ADULT - \$8; SENIOR CITIZENS - \$4; HS STUDENT (w/ID) - \$3; CHILD (under 12) - \$2; FAMILY - \$16

- CCS and State CIF Passes will be honored for General Admission seating at all games. They may only be tendered by an adult;
- School, Faculty, and League Passes will not be honored;
- If seeking admission for crowd supervision personnel, each participating school shall submit a properly completed Basketball Pass Gate List.

Section 10. GAME BALL

SPALDING will provide a basketball to each team reaching the Quarter-Final round. "SPALDING" basketballs **MUST** be used in all games throughout the Tournament. The "HOME TEAM" is responsible for providing the game ball throughout the Tournament.

Section 11. AWARDS

- A. 20 Trophies: 1 awarded to each Division's Champion and Runner-up team;
- B. 300 Medals: 15 awarded to individuals on each Division's Champion and Runner-up team;
- C. 10 Plaques: 1 presented to the Head Coach of each Division's Champion team.

Section 12. SPORTSMANSHIP

A. The member schools of the CIF/Central Coast Section are committed to providing a sportsmanlike environment for students, coaches and spectators.

Our Sportsmanship Definition is:

A person who can take a loss or defeat without complaint, or victory without gloating, and who treats his/her opponents with fairness, courtesy and respect.

B. The following behavior is **unacceptable** at all CIF/CCS High School contests:

- berating your opponent's school or mascot
- complaining about officials' calls (verbally or in gestures)
- berating opposing players
- artificial noisemakers
- obscene cheers / gestures
- negative signs

- C. To this end, each school is required to submit one (1) signed Sportsmanship Contract on or prior to September 15 of the school year. This contract confirms that the principal has verbally and through written communication addressed the importance of sportsmanship to his/her student body, faculty and community.
- D. **Each Principal** is required by the CCS Board of Managers to meet with any team from his/her school participating in the Tournament to review CCS Sportsmanship Information.
(See APPENDIX for [REQUIRED PRE-GAME SPORTSMANSHIP MEETING INFORMATION SHEET](#))
- E. **Coaches and Captains** will meet with the Site Director 30 minutes prior to game time to remind them of the importance of good sportsmanship and to make certain their Administrator has reviewed this information with them in the past week.
- F. **Administrators** from both schools in each contest will attend a mandatory meeting with the Site Director 15 minutes prior to game-time. (The Coach cannot represent the school at this meeting.)

Section 13. ELIGIBILITY ATHLETES

- A. All athletes must be in good standing with their League, school and CCS in order to compete. No ineligible athlete will be allowed to compete
- B. Any player or coach who is disqualified from a CCS playoff contest for FLAGRANT MISCONDUCT or UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR will be disqualified from all remaining contests in that sport that season, including all CIF Nor-Cal and State CIF Tournament contests.

Section 14. PRACTICE AT CHAMPIONSHIP SITES

No arrangements for practice at competition sites are allowed once the site of the Tournament has been announced by CCS. See "[General Tournament Information](#)" Section of this Tournament Guide for specific policy. Schools found in violation of this rule may be barred from further participation in the Section Play-offs.

Section 15. GAME SUPERVISION

- Adequate student-spectator supervision MUST be provided by each school participating in the Tournament. School administrators/faculty who attend the contest should introduce themselves to the CCS Site Director, and tell him/her where they will be located throughout the contest in case their assistance is needed. It is the responsibility of the school supervisory personnel to prevent and correct any inappropriate behavior of their students or spectators. (See **Section 17.** below for pass information for these individuals.)
- In order that all persons may experience maximum enjoyment at CCS athletic events, and to enhance and encourage good public order, it is the policy of the Central Coast Section-CIF that all persons wishing to audibly cheer or support a particular team be seated in an area designated for, or most closely associated with, the team in question.
- Seating of persons audibly cheering for a particular team in the cheering section of, or areas most closely identified with, the opposing team is to be avoided whenever possible, and such persons shall be directed by staff to the appropriate seating location for their team.

Section 16. SPIRIT-LEADERS / HALF-TIME & PRE-GAME ACTIVITIES / BANDS

A. SPIRIT-LEADERS

1. All spirit-leaders must be in full uniform to be admitted without charge. These individuals are restricted to the areas designated for the student body they represent. No one will be allowed on the gymnasium floor.
2. Artificial noise-makers, such as horns, sirens, bells, etc. will not be permitted.
3. All half-time and pre-game activities conducted by spirit squads and their respective student bodies shall be activities which conform to generally acceptable behavior associated with educational programs. In addition, all spirit-leaders are reminded of their responsibility to follow ALL guidelines set forth in the 2010-11 [NATIONAL FEDERATION OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING GUIDE](#).

B. BANDS

Each school will be allowed up to an 18-piece pep band, which will be admitted without charge. No electronic amplifiers will be allowed. There will be a designated seating area for the band whose team is participating in the game in which they will be playing. Band members must sit within the confines of their designated area.

- C. **Pre-game amplified music** during team warm-ups is **prohibited at all sites in all rounds.**

Section 17. PASSES

- A. ONLY CCS Passes and State CIF Passes will be honored.
- B. School, Faculty and League Passes will NOT be honored.
- C. Participants will be admitted with the coaching staff.
- D. For Final games, stats people, team managers and team area personnel will be admitted to the team area via a **bench pass only**. A supply of bench passes will be issued to the respective coaches or A.D's upon arrival at the Finals game site.
- E. The following procedure will be followed for all CCS events for admission and identification of faculty supervisors:
 1. The school shall supply a Pass Gate List Form signed by the Principal with a maximum of 12 supervisors assigned to the contest.

2. This list must be presented at the admission gate in time to provide complimentary admission to those on the list.

Section 18. GAME PROGRAMS & ROSTERS

- A. Game programs will be produced by the CCS office and sold (starting with the Quarter-Final round) at the game sites while supplies last.
- B. Team rosters are due on or before **FEBRUARY 1st**, in order to be included in the Tournament program.
([TOURNAMENT ROSTER FORM](#) - BASKETBALL)

Section 19. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

The CCS [Participant Information Bulletin](#) will be sent to all schools and the media approximately three (3) weeks prior to the start of the Tournament.

OTHER IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS RELATED TO PLAYOFFS:



CCS PLAYOFF POLICY

[Click here to see entire policy](#)



CIF BASKETBALL BYLAWS

CIF Bylaw: ARTICLE 160: BASKETBALL

1600. GIRLS MODIFICATION

The National Federation Basketball Rules shall be modified for girls basketball as follows:

- A. Utilization of 30-second shot clock.
- B. Utilization of midcourt line.
- C. No 10-second rule in backcourt.
- D. Utilization of five-second count for holding the ball only.

1601. BOYS MODIFICATION

The National Federation Basketball Rules shall be modified for boys basketball as follows:

- A. Utilization of a 35-second shot clock.

1602. UNIFORMS

The National Federation boys and girls uniform rules shall be waived to allow for the wearing of a shirt with diagonal or tailed lettering at the non-varsity level.

1605. COACHES' BOX

A 14-foot coaches' box will be utilized.

1606. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION PLACEMENT OF SCHOOLS

Each Section will determine the divisional placement for its schools who qualify for the state basketball championships and is required to submit the placement of schools into the five divisions to the State CIF Office no later than December 1. CIF-member schools will be required to participate in the division that has been established by their respective Section. Sections may use their own established criteria to determine placement of teams in the five divisions based on the following guidelines:

1607. MERCY RULE

When at the conclusion of the third quarter, or any point thereafter, if there is a point differential of 40 or more points, a running clock shall be instituted for the remainder of the game, regardless of the score. This applies to all levels of play