

2009– 2010



## C.S.A.A. SPECIAL BASKETBALL RULES

**STARTING DATE:** The starting date for basketball has been set for October 26<sup>TH</sup>. No practices, workouts or tryouts are allowed before the designated starting time for basketball.

**CONTRACTS:** Contracts are to be signed by all participants. Contracts must be in the C.S.A.A. Office no later than DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> (**NO EXCEPTIONS**) One contract is good for all sports in grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> and are kept on file until they graduate. Contracts must be in the C.S.A.A. office before a player may play.

**ROSTERS:** Team Rosters MUST be turned into the C.S.A.A. Office NO LATER than December 4<sup>th</sup>. **NO EXCEPTIONS**). Any contracts not yet turned in must accompany the roster. This list is the official eligibility for this sport. Players may be added to the roster at anytime, only during the regular scheduled league games. All additions to the roster MUST BE MADE IN WRITING with all the information listed on the original roster. Team rosters MUST BE IN THE C.S.A.A. OFFICE WITH OR WITHOUT JERSEY NUMBERS NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>. You may call or send in your numbers as soon as you have them. NO ADDITIONS TO THE ROSTER WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE BASKETBALL SEASON AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED LEAGUE GAMES.

**PENALTY:** Failure for not turning your roster in by December 4<sup>th</sup>. **WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC FORFEITURE OF ALL GAMES UNTIL THEY ARE TURNED IN AND SUSPENSION OF THE HEAD COACH.**

**LEAGUE BALLS:** The official league balls are:

- For 8<sup>th</sup> grade BOYS teams - Mikasa BWL 110
- For 8<sup>th</sup> grade GIRLS teams - Mikasa BWL C 110
- For 6<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams - Mikasa BWL C 110

**REGARDING SCHOOL WITH TWO TEAMS:** In cases where a school has two 8<sup>th</sup> and/or 6<sup>th</sup> grade teams, players must remain with the team they signed with in the beginning of the season. Players on the sixth grade team may also play on one 8<sup>th</sup> grade team. Where a school has two 8<sup>th</sup> and/or 6<sup>th</sup> grade teams, the stronger team must play as the first team.

Players on a 6<sup>th</sup> grade team may play on one 8<sup>th</sup> grade team. A player on one 4<sup>th</sup> grade team may play on one 6<sup>th</sup> grade team. Players on a 4<sup>th</sup> grade team **MAY NOT** play on a 8<sup>th</sup> grade team.

Practice times for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders and 4<sup>th</sup> graders playing up a grade level, may not exceed the practice time set for their own grade level.

**DISQUALIFICATION:** If a coach or player is ejected from a game he or she is automatically suspended for one league game or C.S.A.A. tournament games and MUST be re-instated by the C.S.A.A. before they may play or coach the next game. Christmas or invitational games do not count toward suspension.

If a coach is ejected from a game, he or she must leave the gym. When they sit out the league or C.S.A.A. tournament game they are automatically suspended. They may not attend the game as a spectator. They may not be present in the gym during his or her teams game.

**PROTEST:** There will be no protest of any league or tournament games.

**UNIFORMS:** ALL TEAMS MUST BE UNIFORMED AND NUMBERED. NUMBERS 6 THRU 9 WILL BE ILLEGAL NUMBERS. Rulebook Page 22.

**JEWELRY** - of any kind **MAY NOT BE WORN**. Taping or covering of earrings is **NOT ALLOWED**. Rule 3, Sec 5, Art.7

**GYM MANAGERS:** PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST FIVE MINUTES FOR WARM-UP BETWEEN GAMES.

**AGE LIMIT: 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** - If a boy or girl reaches his or her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year, or is in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or over, he or she will be ineligible for grade school athletics.

**6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** - If a boy or girl reaches his or her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year, or is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade or over, he or she will be ineligible for 6<sup>th</sup> grade athletics.

**4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** - If a boy or girl reaches his or her 11<sup>th</sup> birthday before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year, or is in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade or over, he or she will be ineligible for 4<sup>th</sup> grade athletics.

**COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PARENTS AND FANS:** Coaches are responsible for parents and fans who display any unsportsmanlike conduct and abusive language during or after a game. During a game parents will be asked to leave the gym if they cannot control themselves. Refusal to leave could result in forfeiture of game.

**\*\*BAD WEATHER:** In case of bad weather, please contact the league manager or gym. Only in case of severe weather will it be announced on WAVE-TV. **IF THE GRADE SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED FOR BAD WEATHER , DURING THE SCHOOL WEEK (MONDAY - FRIDAY) THEN ALL GAMES AND PRACTICES WILL BE CANCELED.**

**SPECIAL RULES:**

(NATIONAL FEDERATION RULES WILL BE USED EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING.)

1. **PLAYING TIME SHALL BE:**

- 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TEAMS WILL PLAY - 6 MINUTES QUARTERS.  
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**FOR GIRLS AND BOYS** - The clock stops only on fouls, called time-outs, jump balls - alternate possession and substitutions. On violations, out-of-bounds, etc. the clock continues to run.

\*\*In the last minute of each quarter or half, the clock will be stopped every time the whistle blows.

CLARIFICATION: If a violation occurs for example in the game with 1:04 seconds left, the clock will run down to 1:00 minute then stop.

\*\*Also, in overtime periods, the clock will be stopped every time the whistle blows.

2. **LANE VIOLATION:**

For 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade there will be a 5 (five) second lane rule instead of 3 seconds. All lane violations are full lane.

3. There is a **THREE POINT FIELD GOALS FOR 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE AND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE.**

A successful try from the field by a player who is located behind the 19 foot 9 inch line counts three (3) points.

4. **TIME-OUTS:** Four time-outs may be charged to each team during a regulation game. Each team is entitled to one additional time-out during each extra period. Unused time-outs accumulate and may be used at any time. We will not use the 30 second time-outs.

5. **FREE THROWS:**

The bonus free throw, one plus one, will be shot on and after the seventh team foul of each half. We will **NOT** shoot two shots on the tenth foul.

**FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS:** The free throw line for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls shall be parallel to the end line and shall have its farthest edge **13 feet** from the plane of the face of the backboard. However, they may still use the regulation line of 15 feet.

6. **FORFEIT TIME** is 10 minutes on each game from the scheduled starting time.

7. **OVERTIME FOR 8<sup>TH</sup> AND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:** PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

If the regular game ends in a tie, ONE 2 minute overtime will be played. If the 2 minute overtime period ends in a tie, the next period will be Sudden Death. The sudden death period will also be 2 minutes, however, the first team to score 2 points in this period is the winner. This does not mean that a team has to win by 2 points, but the first to score 2 points constitutes the sudden death. If a team scores 1 point and the 2 minute sudden death period ends, the team ahead by one point is the winner.

8. **FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS:** When a team establishes a lead of **15 or more points for boys**, neither team, can no longer employ the full court press (pick up the opposing team until they pass mid-court) until the lead drops under 15 points. Use of the press after a 15 point lead will result in a 2 shot technical foul on the coach.

9. **NEW\*\*\* FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS :**

When a team establishes a lead of **15 or more points for girls**, neither team, can no longer employ the full court press (pick up the opposing team until they pass mid-court) until the lead drops under 15 points. Use of the press after a 15 point lead will result in a 2 shot technical foul on the coach.

10. **BENCH DECORUM:** The Catholic School Athletic Association has adopted a modified version of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association coaching box. The "coaching box shall be defined as an area outside the playing court on the side of the court which the scorer/timers table and team benches are located. This box shall be bound in an area marked from the first seat on the bench from the scorers/timers table, down the bench area to fifteen (15) feet in length. The width shall be three (3) feet, but in cases of limited space, may be reduced to the distance from the sideline to the team bench. Each box shall be clearly marked with two-inch wide lines.

It is important to note that this change applies only to the Head Coach.

The penalty for leaving the coaches box for any unauthorized reason will be penalized by a two shot technical foul.

All team members and assistant coaches are still bound by the old rule of remaining seated on the bench. Any infraction by a team member or assistant coach will be penalized with a technical foul against the offending party and the head coach. (2 free throws and possession)

When the coaching box is being utilized, then the first technical foul charged to the head coach results in the loss of the coaching box, and the coach shall comply with Rule 10 Sec. 5 Articles 1 and 2 page 61-62 for the remainder of the game.

11. **BODY MARKINGS:** Face painting, temporary tattoos or body painting of any kind, including paint in the hair is **not allowed**.