

Midwest Volleyball Classic (MVC)

Info for Coaches, ADs and Officials

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Coaches, ADs, and Officials,

Thank you so much for bringing your teams to the Midwest Volleyball Classic! We are so thankful you are joining us, and we hope you have a great experience at our tournament! Doors will open at 9:00 am on Friday for players/spectators and 7:15 am on Saturday. Please do not try to enter the building before that time. Our volunteers will be finishing morning duties.

Coaches meetings will be in the Hospitality Room which is in the back section of the building. Go up the stairs near Court 9 and walk across the balcony into the ortho area of the building. The Hospitality Room is the first door on the right. Coaches meetings will start PROMPTLY on Friday at 9:15 AM, 12:15 PM, and 3:15 PM and only last a few minutes, so please be punctual. Any meeting may be attended as long as it is ahead of your wave. There will be no meeting on Saturday.

Please read on to find out how your team can have the best tournament experience!

CASH ONLY

We are currently a cash only tournament. Please have your players and families plan accordingly. There is an ATM on site if needed.

WATER

We will have water coolers stationed near Court 1 and Court 8. Our team does its best to check on these regularly, but if they are out of water, please alert the tournament desk.

IHSAA RULES

Our officials are IHSAA officials and will be using IHSAA rules. Our head official and tournament directors have the final say regarding rules and regulations.

DRESS CODE POLICY

Our goal is modesty!

1. Shorts: Players must wear shorts; **no spandex allowed as outerwear**; undergarments and buttocks should be completely covered. Leggings are acceptable, but players must wear appropriate uniform shorts over their leggings.

2. Tops must fit so that sports bras are not showing. Racerbacks are allowed but not encouraged. Midriffs should not be exposed while standing.
3. All jewelry must be removed, except small, secured studs or posts worn above the chin. No jewelry is permitted below the chin including string bracelets, commemorative bracelets and body jewelry. In addition, taping over jewelry is not permitted.
4. All uniforms must be worn properly at all times.

Please do not disrupt this event by making other coaches or parents uncomfortable enough to bring your team to the attention of the tournament directors. Please contact the tournament director if any part of your team's uniform is in question.

COURT RESPONSIBILITIES

Home Team: scorebook, line judge (official scorebook: please fill out score cards at your table and turn them into the tournament desk)

Away Team: scoreboard, line judge

Home team is the top team/first team listed on AES.

Official Scorebook will be responsible for filling out the BRIGHTLY COLORED official match scorecard and returning it to the Tournament Desk, as well as recording the score on the scoresheet taped to the table. Please make sure officials have signed the scorecard. Please bring your own scorebook sheets. Scores will be recorded/reported, but scorebook will not be collected.

Tracking liberos will not be required during the tournament. As usual, scorebook keepers are asked to mark a triangle around the libero serving position as well as any points scored by the libero. Teams may choose to track liberos if they desire.

Line Judge: Officials will provide line judges with instructions before the match. If a line judge is not fulfilling their responsibilities, the official may request a replacement or ask that a different line judge be used for future matches.

We prefer adults to volunteer for court responsibilities, but the key is to have attentive, capable, responsible volunteers.

Music is not allowed during warm ups. If there is a game taking place on the next court, please warm up from the net to the back line to minimize stray balls bouncing onto other courts. **Please bring your own warm up balls.**

GRAB SOME ICE OR A TRAINER

We will have a trainer in the building throughout most of the day on both Friday and Saturday. The trainer's table will be located near court 9 in the back of the facility near the entrance to courts 9 and 10.

We will have a cooler with pre-filled ice bags available near the trainer's table. You do not need to ask permission to get an ice pack. Please GRAB AND GO!

FRIDAY (POOL PLAY)

- All pool play is two sets to 25, even if teams split the sets. All sets are capped at 25 for all levels of play.
- Warmups: 15 minutes split before the first pool match of the day. The rest of the day's warmup time will be two minutes per team, then one minute shared serving at the end (2-2-1 format, total of five

minutes). Teams may share/split time if both coaches agree. Teams may rest during warm up times if needed.

- Three minutes between sets. Two 60-second timeouts per set.
- Teams will be put into pools where they will play back to back to back during pool play. Teams may take a 5 minute break between matches if needed in addition to the 2-2-1 warmup time. If both teams are ready to play without a break, feel free to get started earlier. Either way, please be in communication with your official.

SATURDAY (TOURNAMENT)

- All tournament play is two sets to 25; a third set if needed is to 15.
 - All Levels: Win by two, no cap
- Warmups: 15 minutes split before the first matches of the day. The rest of the day's warmup time will be two minutes per team, then one minute shared serving at the end (2-2-1 format, total of five minutes). If teams have an extended rest between matches (two hours or longer), coaches may ask the official for a longer warmup time.
- If a team has a back-to-back match, a five minute break between matches is granted. If this happens, please inform the official on the court that your team will be delayed.
- Three minutes between sets. Two 60-second timeouts per set.

LATE POLICY / STARTING ON TIME

Pool Play: Three waves of pool play will take place on Friday: 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and 4:00 PM. During pool play, games will not begin until the starting time for the wave. Courts may run a few minutes late. **FRIDAY ONLY:** even if courts are running early, start times for each wave will be as listed above.

ALL TIMES LISTED ON BRACKET SCHEDULES FOR SATURDAY ARE APPROXIMATE. The only firm time on the schedule is the first match of the day. There are several matches where teams may play back to back. **There are times when courts will run ahead of schedule. Please be aware of games ahead of your own and be ready to play when your court is available.**

PENALTY: If a team is not at the court when the court is available AND they are not playing at another court, please contact the Tournament Director, who will first verify that the team is not on another court and then attempt to contact the team via their "day of tournament" cell phone contact.

If a team is not playing on a different court and simply not present/ready to play, the tournament directors will give a 5 minute grace period for the team to gather and make their way to the court before normal warm ups begin. Once the warmup time has passed, the team which is not present will begin to lose one point per minute until they arrive and are ready to play. They may choose to warm up (and continue to lose one point per minute) or they may begin playing as soon as they have enough players present to play. The waiting team will automatically earn the serve.

AWARDS

GOLD, SILVER and BRONZE medals will be awarded to each player in the top three teams in each bracket. Medals will be given courtside after the matches.

All-Tournament awards will be given based on a combination of overall skill, attitude, and leadership on the court and will be given during the Saturday afternoon break. If a player is not present for her award, it will be mailed.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

A Hospitality Room will be set up for officials, coaches, and ADs. It will be located upstairs near Court 9 at the back of the building. There will be a Hospitality Room sign on the door.

While we would love to allow other people into the hospitality room, we simply do not have the room or the resources to do so. Please allow us to continue to provide this room to bless **COACHES, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS, and OFFICIALS**. Each registered team is allowed to have two people with access to the Hospitality Room.

The Hospitality Room will be open near the start of the first match of the day and will close during the last match of the day for cleanup. Please plan accordingly.

We understand that there is not a lot of space in PSM Fieldhouse for meeting with your team, but **please do not take your team upstairs**. Only Coaches, ADs, Officials, and Falcons players are allowed upstairs.

T-SHIRTS

Pre-ordered shirts will be available for pickup near the admissions desk. These will be distributed to ONE team representative that was listed when shirts were ordered. Orders have been checked multiple times. **Teams will have one hour to bring any order discrepancies to our attention**. Please check your order for accuracy. A limited number of t-shirts will be available for purchase but not at pre-order prices. Please be sure to bring CASH for shirt purchases.

PARKING

The regular parking lot/main entrance to the Fieldhouse is on the north side of the building. The back side/south side of the building is a rehabilitation business separate from the Fieldhouse. **Do not use that entrance**, and please **leave parking spaces** open near the building **for their patients**.

There is a Tim Horton's, Skyline Chili, a hotel, and a gas station that are all nearby and have parking lot space. **We do not have permission to park at the hotel or these businesses**.

There is an Icehouse southwest of the Fieldhouse. They have events happening during our tournament. **Please do not park at the Icehouse**.

Immediately across Lima Road from the Fieldhouse is Glenbrook Commons, and there is a lot of parking there. We will not "recommend" parking there because it would mean crossing a very busy street. **You may park there at your own risk**. If anyone chooses to park there, it is recommended that **drivers drop their passengers at the Fieldhouse before parking**, and please be extremely careful when crossing the street.

OUTSIDE FOOD/DRINK

Anything larger than a small, personal cooler is prohibited in the facility.

Drinks. We understand that many fans bring in outside drinks to the facility, and our desire is not to turn into the drink police. However, this is volleyball, and drinks can spill very easily without proper containment. **Please have secure lids on all drinks**. Unsupervised drinks should be thrown away by anyone who sees them.

CONCESSIONS

Our concession stand will be open all day Friday and Saturday. Typical concession food will be available.