

# **Marion County Middle School Athletic Directors Association Specific Guidelines**

Listed below are specific sport procedures for the Marion County Middle Schools and opponents they host.

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## **Online resources:**

IIAAA

[www.iaaaa.org](http://www.iaaaa.org)

Every Athletic Director should be a member of both associations and attend the State Conference in the spring.

NIAAA –[www.niaaa.org](http://www.niaaa.org)

National Federation of High Schools -

[www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org)

President - Andrew Aspaas -Lynhurst 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Center

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Treasurer - Brian Kendall -Chapel Hill 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Center

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## General Procedures

- **15 minute warm-up is recommended for a competitive event.**
  - The home team will be prepared and ready
  - Visiting team/school should contact host team/school if the scheduled start time is in jeopardy.
- **Students should play on the grade level team**  
–If school provides a specific grade level team–
- **Wrestling, Track, Cross Country, Tennis, Swimming & Diving are for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Not for 5<sup>th</sup> or below.**
- **Marion County Tournaments require a security/police officer to attend each event/round.**
- **Entry fees and dues for attending/participating in county tournaments is \$250. If a school is not participating in a tournament the per tournament fee is not required.**

## Physical Concussion Awareness

All schools are required to provide concussion procedures, awareness forms, and a return to play protocol. A good idea is to attach this document with the physical form.

All physicals are required to be dated **AFTER** April 1, previous year to be valid for the current school/sport year.

Football coaches must certify through the Head's Up Football Course.

<https://usafootball.com/programs/heads-up-football/>

# **Football**

## **Overtime Procedures/Rule**

1. When the score is tied at the end of the fourth period, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team boxes. There will be a 3 minute intermission during which both teams may confer with their coaches. All officials will assemble at the 50-yard line, review the overtime procedure, and discuss how penalties, if any, including any carry-over penalties from the regulation period will be assessed to start the overtime procedure.
2. At the coin toss in the center of the field the visiting-team's captain shall be given the privilege of choosing "heads" or "tails" before the coin is tossed. The winner of the toss shall be given his choice of defense or offense first, or of designating the end of the field at which the ball will be put into play for the single set of overtime downs. The loser of the toss will have the choice of the other options.
3. To start the overtime period, the offensive team shall put the ball in play, first and goal on the defensive team's 10 yard line or succeeding spot if a carry-over penalty has been administered anywhere between the hash marks. The first offensive team shall have a series of four downs. That series is terminated by any score by the offensive team or if the defensive team has possession of the ball.
4. If the offensive team scores a touchdown, it is entitled to the opportunity for a try (1 or 2 point) unless the points would not affect the outcome of the game.
5. A field goal attempt is permitted during any down.
6. If the defensive team gains possession, the ball becomes dead immediately and the offensive team's series of downs is ended.
7. After the first team on offense has completed its series of downs, the first team on defense will become the offensive team with the ball in its possession at the same 10 yard line anywhere between the hash marks. The second offensive team shall have a series of four downs. That series is terminated by any score by the offensive team or if the defensive team has possession of the ball.
8. If the score remains tied after one complete set of overtime downs, the game shall stand as a tied contest.

# **Basketball**

## **Basketball County Tournament**

Bracket drawings are held at the Spring Meeting

1. All sites will be pre-determined in advance for scheduling. Host schools will be drawn first working back from championship rounds to 1st round games.
2. No school will host more than one time in the same tournament. This will allow for 16 of 20 schools to host at least one time. Schools not hosting in one tournament would automatically host in next tournament during same school year. This assures every school of at least one BB game.
3. The drawing will be for both 7th and 8th grade tournaments.
4. Girls' and boys' tournaments will be separate drawings.
5. 7th and 8th grade 1st round games played at same site. This would save on transportation. Be aware that 2nd round hosts could have two different schools playing host school.
6. All host sites would schedule their own officials.
7. Games #1-19 will use two-person crews. Suggest game #20 use three-person crews for both championship games. Game fees should be agreed upon by all MC schools.
8. Suggested start times for 1st and 2nd round games 5:15/6:30. Suggested start times for Saturday games would be 9:00 and 12:00 for 7th grade games; 10:30 and 1:30 for 8th grade games. Championship games determined by schools involved.
9. Host schools in Tuesday/Thursday rounds will wear WHITE.  
Schools listed on top line of bracket in quarter-finals and semi-finals will wear WHITE.

\*South winners will wear WHITE in championship rounds.

| <u>North</u>       | <u>South</u>   |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Belzer             | Beech Grove    |
| Eastwood           | Chapel Hill    |
| Fall Creek Valley  | Creston        |
| Guion Creek        | Decatur        |
| Heritage Christian | FTM East       |
| Lincoln            | FTM West       |
| New Augusta        | Lynhurst       |
| Northview          | Perry Meridian |
| Stonybrook         | Raymond Park   |
| Westlane           | Southport      |
|                    | Speedway       |

| <u>East Bracket</u> | <u>West Bracket</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Fall Creek Valley   | Chapel Hill         |
| Belzer              | Lynhurst            |
| Heritage Christian  | New Augusta         |
| Creston             | Guion Creek         |
| Raymond Park        | Lincoln             |
| Stonybrook          | Westlane            |
| Eastwood            | D. Central          |
| Northview           | Speedway            |
| FTMS East           | Perry Meridian      |
| FTMS West           | Southport           |
| Beech Grove         |                     |

### **Tournament Draw Procedures**

1. Draw Boys Semifinal hosts in East/South Brackets
2. Draw games 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 10, 11 in that order
3. If teams from same school corporation are placed in same first round game, they should be moved to next available opening and that slot re-drawn.
4. Draw Boys Semifinal hosts for West/North Brackets
5. Draw games 4, 5, 7,8, 12, 13 in that order
6. If teams from same school corporation are placed in same first round game, they should be moved to next available opening and that slot re-drawn.

Repeat the same procedure for Girls Tournament

### **Weather Postponement Contingency Plan** **Marion County Boys/Girls Basketball Tournaments**

In the event that we need to postpone a tournament round due to the winter weather the MCMSADA will follow the below contingency plan:

- If Tuesday - Round #1 is postponed then - The games will be moved to the following day (Wednesday) with the weather permitting. The sites will remain the same. This tournament game will take precedence over any regular scheduled games.
  - If Thursday - Round #2 is postponed then - The games will be moved to Saturday. The sites of the Thursday round will not be used on Saturday. The schools that were supposed to host on Saturday will now host both round 2 & 3. \*\*We will need to have an additional host site for both the East and West brackets. Monday would then become the Semi-final round (an additional site for both the East and West would be needed for this round). The Championship round would be played on Wednesday if possible. If not the remaining schools must meet to work out the best plan for a site and date.
  - If Saturday - Round #3 & #4 is postponed then - The games will be played on the following Saturday at the same sites and the championship game will be played on that Monday.
  - If Monday - Championship Round is postponed then - The games will be played on Wednesday at the same site. \*\*If that site is not available then the remaining teams involved will have to meet to discuss the site or sites that will be used.
- \*\*In the event that we have to postpone multiple rounds due to the weather, the tournament will not be completed for that year. Hence, the remaining games will not be played and no winners will be awarded.

**Basketball halftime procedure -courts are to remain free and clear of any shooting or dribbling by non-athletes and the other grade-level team.**

## Baseball & Softball

### Baseball & Softball:

No inning starts after 2 ¼ -hour time limit.  
Umpire will run stopwatch. Time begins with 1<sup>st</sup> pitch.

1. Baseball/Softball – CAN wear metal cleats.
2. Baseball – bat rules through NFHS

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- Softball mounds are to be 43 feet.
- Bats are to be ASA certified.
- Softball mask must be a full facemask.

[www.mme.wsu-ssl.org/certifiedbaseballbats.aspx](http://www.mme.wsu-ssl.org/certifiedbaseballbats.aspx).

## Wrestling

Specific Marion County Guidelines/practices

- Weight sheets should have two columns. One for actual weight (be specific) and one for the class the student is to compete in.
- An additional 1-pound weight allowance starting February 1
- A second 1-pound weight allowance starting March 1.
- 1-pound weight allowance for back-to-back matches, Monday matches, and matches the day after a 3-day weekend.
- Match times 2-1-1 (beg. 2015-16)

Weight Classes: 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220, 245, 285

## Cross Country

Chapel Hill hosts the Giant Championships –A Cross Country Event- the Saturday of week 13. This invitational is counted as a county meet.

-Both genders race 3K

## Soccer

Soccer is the only “team” sport 6<sup>th</sup> grade students can participate as members of.

30 minute halves (10 minute halftime)

## Golf

Match speed can be discussed prior to the start of the match between both coaches. Stroke recommendations can be determined by coaches if necessary.

## Tennis

Contact should be made between competing schools with total number of players per gender if a full team is not available.

*Girls tennis will move to the Spring season beginning in 2019.*

## Cheerleading

Recommended a coach be certified for stunts and builds.

[www.aacca.org/](http://www.aacca.org/)

## Volleyball

Scoring per contest:

1<sup>st</sup> game 25, 2<sup>nd</sup> game 25, 3<sup>rd</sup> game 15 cap

Flags are recommended to be used for judges.

## Swimming & Diving

To help with meet efficiency send event lists to host school in advance.

## Track & Field

- Communication prior to the day of the meet to provide exhibition races, field event limits, and special circumstances.
- An individual can compete in 4 total events.
- Events follow the IHSAA/NFHS order
  - 4x800 relay and 300 low hurdles are optional (not common).
- Hurdles are the same height for both boys and girls races.
- Field Events:
  - High jump begins at 4' for girls and 4'6" for boys.
  - 2" increase for girls until 4'6" then 1"
  - 2" increase for boys until 5'2" then 1"
  - Shot and Disc events
  - Both genders compete with a 4K shot.
  - (NOT an 8lb implement)
  - Discus is a 1K implement for each gender.