

INTERMEDIATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

There will be **12 teams** in total in each of the tournaments. These will be divided into **two pools of six**. The initial part of the tourney will take a round robin format. **Each team** will play the other **teams in their pool once**. At the end of the round robin format the **top three teams in each pool will advance** to the playoffs. In round robin play 3 points will be awarded for a win with 1 point being awarded for a loss.

PLAY OFFS:

The **Quarter Final Games** will be a **best of 3** match using the standard O.V.A. format. **First two games have a cap of 27 (can win by 1 point). Third game if needed goes to 15 with no cap(need to win by 2 points)**

3rd of Pool A vs. 2nd of Pool B. 3rd of Pool B vs. 2nd. of Pool A

The **Semi Finals** will be a **best of three** match using the standard O.V.A. format. **First two games have a cap of 27, third game if needed goes to 15 with no cap (same as previous round) .**

The Championship Final will follow the same format as the semis and will be played on the “Champion of Champion” nights.

COST:

To cover the cost of referees and incidental expenses each school involved in the tournament will be required to pay a **50.00** entrance fee .**This fee must be paid on the day of the tournament.** It may either be **cash or a cheque made payable to D.S.B.N.** The cost of these tournaments can not be done under a debit system as it involves the direct payment of outside officials.

RULES:

1. Single games within the pool will be **25 point** games using the **rally point system** with a **cap of 27 points.**
2. There will be a **10 serve max**
3. **Net serves are allowed.**
4. **There is no time limit on games**
5. In pool play only **one time out** is allowed.
6. Use of the **Libero** will be in effect
7. **Standard O.V.A. rules** that the majority of local leagues use during the season will be in effect.
8. No initial contact of the ball with the foot or the head will be allowed. It will be considered the same as any other violation.

TIE BREAKERS:

1. If a tie occurs at the end of the round robin between two teams then the head to head results between those two teams will be used. If more than two teams are involved in a tie at the end of round robin play then the head to head to head results involving those teams involved in the tie will be used. Ex.(If one team has defeated all of the other teams involved in the tie they would get the higher placing. The process of head to head results between those teams remaining will continue to be used where possible until all ties are broken)
2. Where there are **more than 2 teams involved in a tie** and the **records of the teams involved are identical using the head to head process** then **point differential using only the teams involved** in the tie will be used. If the point differential system has to be used , it will be used throughout to decide all positions for those involved in the tie breaking process. The highest

positive differential will take the highest position (ex. + 19, +11, +4). If teams are in a negative differential then the lowest point differential would take the higher position (ex. -2, -5, -12)

3. If the **point differential system is identical (ex. +4, +4) amongst teams involved in the tie breaking process then the record (wins and losses) involving common opponents played will be used proceeding from 1 to.....**

4. **If a tie still exists after the record system is used then point differential using common opponents will be used proceeding from 1 to**

5. **If a tie still exists then a serving competition between those involved will be used as the final tie breaker as opposed to playing a game between those involved in the tie.**

FACTS TO KNOW:

1. **All schools must bring their own scorer and lines person. If teams do not bring these 2 people then players from the team must be used.**

2. **All teams must bring their own warm up balls.**

3, **All teams will be expected to be properly dressed in school uniforms.**

4. **Host schools are responsible for providing the playing area and the change rooms The remainder of the school will be out of bounds.**

5. **There will be no formal lunch break. Teams will eat during their break between games. The secondary school involved in hosting the tournament will have the opportunity to run a snack bar. If they chose to do so those schools involved will be informed ahead of time. We encourage the support of the visiting teams and spectators to support this endeavor as the money raised goes toward athletic funding.**

6. **Because some teams will be traveling a fair distance to attend the tournament and due to the fact that many players, coaches and parents have after school activities to attend it is important to not waste time . When warming up before the first game we will use a 3,3,1 procedure. After the first game of the day, warm up(maximum 5 minutes) will take place on your own side of the net.**

7. **All coaches are expected to review the expectations of their team regarding behavior, co operation, use of facilities, free time between games. If teams decide to stay and watch other games after they have been eliminated, they are expected to watch these games, not roam and get in the way of those still involved.**

8. **Courts not in use are to be left empty. They are not to be used for free play.**

9. **We wish to start play by at least 8:45. There will be a pre game talk for both players and coaches at 8:20. All teams need to be at the site by 8:10. Coaches are responsible for their teams as they arrive .If a team wishes to do an involved warm up , they may wish to do so at their own school before they leave for the tournament.**

10. **If there any questions or concerns please forward them to the Elementary Athletic Co ordinator.**