



2018-19 Boys and Girls Basketball Format *Sport Specific Information*

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Mr. Peter Smith & Mr. Keith McDermott
Assistant Directors

2018 – 2019 MIAA Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament

Entry Requirements & Information	Date	Tournament Directors
Season Schedule and Commitment	Due on or before January 15, 2019	Tournament Director contact information is available in the “Members Only” section of the MIAA website
Official Tournament Entry and Team Roster	Due on or before February 15, 2019 @ noon	
Cut-Off Date	Thursday, February 21, 2019	North (Boys & Girls) Larry Kelleher South (Boys & Girls) Joe Rocha
LATE SUBMISSIONS	A \$300 per incident payment is required for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required schedule committed late or with incomplete information. • Late submission of tournament entry • Incorrect final regular season record 	
Seeding	North & South: Friday, February 22, 2019 – 9:30 a.m. at the MIAA Office Central: Friday, February 22, 2019 – 12:00 p.m. at the MIAA Office West: Saturday, February 23, 2019 – 12:00 p.m. at Location TBD	Central (Boys & Girls) Roger Bacon West (Boys & Girls) Lou Conte
Sectional Finals	Thursday, March 7 - Saturday, March 9	State (Boys & Girls) Rita Castagna
State Semi-Finals	Divisions I, II, III, IV North vs South TD Garden Tuesday, March 12 - Wednesday, March 13	
	West vs Central Sites TBD Tuesday, March 12 - Wednesday, March 13	
State Finals	Divisions I, II, III, IV Location TBD Friday, March 15 - Saturday, March 16	

MIAA Basketball Tournament Information

1. Seeding:

Seeding is to be done by a sub-committee and is limited to the director who is a non-voting member of the seeding committee, voting members of the State Committee in that sport and may also include as voting members district athletic committee members from the tournament district(s). At least one coach should be present as an observer.

Seeding placement for North, South, Central - is accomplished by win-loss percentage.

- *A minimum of 11 games must be played in order to qualify for an MIAA tournament.*
- *Only the first 3 games played against the same opponent will count for tournament qualification.*

Seeding placement for West - is accomplished by modified Walker Instrument.

Tie Breaking Procedure

1. Head to Head Competition
2. Most Wins
3. League Champion
4. Record Against Common Opponents
5. Coin Flip

If a tie involves multiple teams (more than 2) and a team is eliminated, the procedure starts over at step one with the remaining teams.

2. Please note that for the purposes of state basketball tournament qualification the MIAA Basketball Committee decided that a minimum of four teams are needed to constitute a league. However, exceptions were granted for the Big Three as “grandfathered” in the sport of basketball and the Central Division of the South Worcester County League – (voted 10/09).

3. **Team Rosters:** Team rosters shall include a maximum of fifteen (15) players. In addition, each team will be allowed not more than eight (8) additional people on the bench for a total of twenty-three (23). These eight (8) people shall include coaches, managers, and medical personnel. **NO** spectators are allowed on the bench.

4. SAT/SAT Subject Tests

1. Sectional Finals are scheduled for March 9, 2019 - the same date as the SAT’s. Please tell all coaches and student-athletes now so alternative plans may be made. A listing of all dates and sports that may take place on scheduled College Board exam dates can be found on the MIAA website. College Board dates can be found here - <https://www.collegeboard.org/>

2. The **College Board** offers a *SAT® Program Alternate Test Date Policy*. As stated in their published material:

The SAT Program will consider granting an alternate test date when the following criteria are met:

- *The conflicting event must be unexpected. Regularly scheduled sporting events or previously scheduled school activities, such as a prom, are not considered unexpected. An event such as an academic or athletic competition, in which students have advanced through the competition or into post-regular season competition, can be considered an unexpected event.*

3. SAT School Day: Allows high schools to administer the SAT to students during the school day, thus avoiding weekend athletic conflicts. To date, the MA school districts that participate are Plymouth, Springfield, Revere and most recently Fitchburg. SAT School Day is contracted through the College Board with participating districts. Contact info: **Alan Bernstein, Senior District Director**, K-12 Services, New England Regional Offices, The College Board, 1601 Trapelo Road, Suite 12, Waltham, MA 02451.

5. Officials:

1. Three officials will be assigned for all tournament games.
2. The Tournament Director will determine an assignor(s) who will be responsible for assigning officials.
3. Officials must be enrolled and background check approved by the MIAA.
4. Officials should have demonstrated experience in the mechanics, procedures and techniques involved in officiating for crews of three officials.
5. Officials must have officiated a minimum of 10 MIAA high school games during the regular season.
6. Individual officials have a five game limit per sectional.
7. Individual officials have a one game limit per team throughout the tournament (including state tournament rounds).
8. **For Sectional Games:**
A minimum of one official from each team's regular season assignor list will be assigned.
9. **For State Semi-Final Games:**
Central/West games:
Even years - 1 official from the West region and 2 officials from the Central region
Odd years - 2 officials from the West region and 1 official from the Central region
South/North games:
Even years - 1 official from the North region and 2 officials from the South region
Odd years - 2 officials from the North region and 1 official from the South region
10. **For State Final Games:**
A 3 person team will be assigned from a neutral section.
11. Officials assigned to a sectional final will not receive a state semi-final assignment.
12. Officials assigned to a state semi-final game will not receive a state final assignment.

6. Site Information:

1. Early round tournament games: will be hosted by the higher seeded team through the quarter finals providing the site meets the sport specific quality standards.
2. Sectional Semi-Final and Final rounds: will be played at predetermined sites meeting the sport specific standards. This means that a team will play on their home field/site if that site has been predetermined as a tournament host.
3. State Semi-Final and Final rounds: will be played at predetermined sites. This means that a team may play on their home field/site if that site has been predetermined as a tournament host.
4. If possible, geographic consideration should be given to the sections participating in these games (vs. sectional rotation criteria focus).

* Predetermined sites will be published prior to each season's tournament seeding meetings.

Exceptions: If in the opinion of the MIAA Staff Liaison and Tournament Director, the gymnasium or facilities of the team with the highest seed are not suitable, another site will be selected by the MIAA Staff Liaison and Tournament Director. Sectional semi-finals and finals will be played at a site selected by the MIAA Staff Liaison and Tournament Director.

PLEASE NOTE: For the purpose of safety, expense, convenience or other valid reasons, the Tournament Director shall have the prerogative to set or change the site or date of any tournament game after consultation with the MIAA Staff Liaison.

7. **Practice Regulations:** No competing team is to practice on a tournament site after the tournament cut-off date. (Exception - if it is a team's home site.) Each team will be permitted a minimum of at least a ten-minute pre-game warm-up.
8. **Uniforms:** The team with the higher seed will be the home team through the tournament and will wear white or light colors.
9. **Pre-Game Captains Conduct:** Teams entering the gymnasium prior to the contest should not run through the area occupied by the opposing team or under the basket where opponents are warming up. Teams should only enter, jog and warm up on their half of the court.
10. **Warm-up Time:** Towels and practice balls must be furnished by each team. Each team will be permitted a minimum of ten (10) minutes pre-game warm-up.
11. **Ball:** Beginning with sectional semi-finals and through the state finals the official Spalding ball will be used and supplied by the tournament director. For Boys the **Spalding TF1000 Legacy (74-7168)** ball and for Girls the **Spalding TF1000 Legacy (74-7358)**.
12. **Post-Game Behavior & Sportsmanship:** Officials and site managers will have the authority to issue game exclusion penalties to coaches or players for unsportsmanlike behavior on the court after the buzzer has indicated the end of the game.
13. The host school must send reports regarding ejected students or coaches to the tournament director.
14. **Cheerleaders:** Varsity basketball cheerleaders, accompanied by their advisor, and numbering not more than twenty (20) will be admitted free to the tournament games in which their school is participating. They must, however, be in uniform and accompanied by an adult who is an official school representative.
15. **Suspended Game:** If a game is suspended for some reason, the game will be completed from that point, on the next available date. However, the Tournament Director reserves the right to call the game a complete game and also to change the site of the continuation of the game.
16. **Postponement:** Postponements due to inclement weather or other unusual circumstances will be determined by the MIAA Executive Staff and Tournament Director who will attempt to consult with the Principals of the participating schools. The rescheduling of a postponed game will be the decision of the MIAA Executive Staff and the Tournament Director.
17. **Medical Coverage:** A licensed athletic trainer, physician, physician's assistant, certified EMT, or nurse practitioner will be available at all contests. This coverage will be provided/compensated by the Host School in tournament rounds at the site of the higher seeded team. The MIAA will compensate for the coverage at MIAA designated neutral sites.
18. Horns, posters, noisemakers, confetti, pompoms, balloons, spirit towel, thunder sticks and banners are **not to be allowed** inside any gym.
19. **Solicitations:** Solicitation of funds is not permitted at tournament sites. ***Fund raising activities by the host schools and host sites must be approved by the MIAA Executive Staff.***
20. **Playing Time Limitations:** A student can appear in no more than four quarters in one day. (This does not include official over-time periods.) On a given day a student may participate in more than one interscholastic basketball contest at different sites provided that the four quarter limit is not exceeded.

21. Participating School Supervision Protocol

Sectional Semi-Finals - Sectional Finals – State Semi-Finals – State Finals

- Prior to each round of tournament play, the respective Tournament Director will communicate with participating school Athletic Directors regarding pertinent school supervision responsibilities, including the number of school supervisors (range is typically 3-8 in number) requested for the upcoming game.
- No later than 24 hours before game, please contact the respective Tournament Director with the names of your school’s designated site supervisors.
- The list should include **the Principal or designee, Athletic Director or designee**, and the appropriate number of additional school staff.
- Supervisors are asked to arrive at the game site and sign in with the Tournament Director or designated Site Director no later than 30 minutes before game time. The wearing of MIAA issued vests or related apparel may be requested.
- Upon arrival, the Tournament/Site Director shall review the roles/responsibilities, to include:
 - Observe and monitor the school’s spectators upon entrance into the gymnasium and assist in seating students in your designated area.
 - Remain stationed in close proximity to your spectator section. The Site Director will request any specific supervisor placements based on venue and spectator needs.
 - Remain visible to your spectator base and accessible to tournament staff until spectators exit gymnasium.
 - Help ensure positive behaviors and sportsmanship.
 - Assist in ensuring that no one other than team players, bench personnel, and school leaders has access to the playing court (before, during, and after game).
- ❖ **Awards Ceremonies: Post-Game of Sectional Finals and State Final**
 - Prior to the completion of game, the Principal and Athletic Director are asked to report to the scorers’ table and assist the Tournament Director with the program.
 - Monitor post-game handshake.
 - Assist with the team line-up as designed by the tournament staff.
 - Assist with presenting medals and awards.

The Following must be submitted:	Deadline
Basketball Season Schedule and Commitment	January 15, 2019
State Basketball Tournament Team Roster	February 15, 2019 – Noon
Basketball Tournament Entry	February 15, 2019 – Noon
Basketball Team Sportsmanship Nomination	February 15, 2019



Basketball Team Sportsmanship Award



The MIAA Tournament Management Committee has approved an Annual Team Sportsmanship Award to be presented to a school in every sport at the MIAA State Championship. Basketball will recognize one team in each division (1-4).

We would like to encourage you to nominate a boys' or girls' varsity basketball team for consideration by the MIAA Basketball Committee for recognition at the MIAA Basketball Championships. Nominated teams do not have to be tournament teams but should exemplify the tenets of good sportsmanship to the highest degree. Self-nominations are acceptable.

I would like to nominate the following team for consideration of the MIAA Boys' and Girls' Basketball Sportsmanship Award:

School: _____ Girls: _____ Boys: _____ Division: _____

City/Town: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Principal: _____

Athletic Director: _____ School Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Coach: _____ Home Phone: _____

Please provide a brief statement with regard to incidents where this team displayed the highest level of sportsmanship this season.

Your Name _____ Signature _____

Position _____ School _____

Date _____ Phone _____

Send to: MIAA, Attn: Basketball Committee
33 Forge Parkway
Franklin, MA 02038
Fax: 508-541-9838

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 15, 2019

Non-Discrimination Statement

MIAA does not discriminate in its educational programs or activities on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, age, religion or religious creed, disability or handicap, sex or gender, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal, state or local law. Retaliation is also prohibited.

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