



3A and 4A

STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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**WELCOME TO THE
STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS!**

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Dear Coaches, Athletic Directors and Supervisors:

Congratulations on qualifying for the 2023 WIAA 3A, 4A Basketball Hardwood Classic! I want to extend a sincere welcome to each of you. The hard work, sacrifices and dedication to your student athletes is commendable, and each of you have played an important role in your teams success.

As you prepare for participation in the 2023 State Basketball Championships please review all of the enclosed information carefully. The packet includes tournament rules/guidelines, goals and game day details. The Tournament Staff has worked very hard to plan an organized, safe, fun and competitive event.

One of my goals as Tournament Manager is to be proactive when addressing potential problem areas. Please give special attention to the following situations:

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Please contact me if you have any questions and most of all, MAKE IT A FUN EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE IN YOUR PROGRAM.

Sincerely,

Mark Albertine
Tournament Manager



2023 3A and 4A State Basketball Tournament Staff

TOURNAMENT MANAGER:	Mark Albertine
GAMES COMMITTEE:	Mark Albertine, Kevin Erickson, John Matteo
TEAM LIAISON:	Mark Haley, Curtis Fletcher
OFFICE STAFF:	Alyssa Reuble
FLOOR MANAGERS:	Pat McCarthy (Boys), Johnny Lee (Girls)
OFFICIALS COORDINATOR:	Kevin Erickson
OFFICIALS LIAISONS/FLOOR LEADERS:	John Matteo, Ira Dunbar
TOWELS:	Kevin McCrossin
MEDIA:	Tom Gallo, Terry Manley, Marcus Bradford, Mike Lewis, Mike McKay
TRAINERS/PHYSICIANS:	Jason Berglund, Olympic Sports and Spine
LOCKER ROOM ATTENDENTS:	Greg Farias, Randy Hudson, Brenda Poole, Harry Sneed
PASS GATE/WILL CALL:	Judy Richardson, Rhonda Stinson
BAND/CHEERLEADERS:	Richard Hanley, Aaron Roetcisoender
TEAM HOST:	Alex Spearman, Cotton Clarke
CHEERLEADER HOST:	Laura Nation
TACOMA DOME SUPERVISORS:	John McClees, Morgan Nyren
ANNOUNCERS:	Mark Aucutt (supervisor), Vance Dawson, Larry Beck, Julie Campbell, Martin Dawood, Robert Gary Jr., Tom Lafferty, Paul Stabbert, Justine Locke
TIMERS:	Brian Solinsky (supervisor), Marc Langvad, Packy Rieder, Pierre Tutty, Dan Mackay, Chase Looker, Todd Penman, John Cummings, Lance Phillips, Shirley Phillips, Mike Williams, Sue Williams, Dan Rivera, Lissa Solinsky
SCORERS:	Brenda Penman (supervisor), Gary Loucks, Ryan Simmons, Kevin Zylstra, Sarah Larson

Medical Services and Athletic Training Facilities

On behalf of the Olympic Sport and Spine (OSS) Medicine Team, we welcome you and your team to the WIAA/GESA Credit Union State 3A and 4A Basketball Tournament. The following will be available to you at the OSS medicine tent located at the northwest corner of the Dome:

- Taping and first aid. It is preferred if you can provide your own taping supplies.
- Ice and flexi wrap for all acute and chronic injuries.
- Concussion evaluation and management.
- OSS athletic training staff to support your team and team athletic trainer.
- A physician will be with the OSS sports medicine team or on call if needs present.
- The OSS athletic training staff will be documenting all injuries and treatments for the WIAA. Please support them by providing any information they need to gather.
- The OSS athletic training staff will coordinate emergency medical services and hospital transportation if appropriate.
- Additional specialty health care services are available in the community.

You are welcome to use the taping area or ask us to tape for you. If you have special needs please check with us in an appropriate time frame so that we may properly assist you. Please have your ATCs and/or medical providers introduce themselves to our medical team by visiting the OSS sports medicine tent prior to your games.

Jason Berglund, LAT, ATC (Athletic Training Program Manager)
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AUTHORITY OF DESIGNATED TOURNAMENT PHYSICIANS - The tournament physicians shall have final responsibility for medical decisions at the tournament, consulting with assistant tournament physicians and team physicians or other designated medical authority as appropriate. The tournament physician (and assistant tournament physician or designated medical authority when they are on the scene in the absence of the tournament physician) shall have the following authority in addition to that normally associated with the practice of medicine and surgery:

1. To determine whether an injured participant may continue in the contest, the decision against further participation may not be overturned by a coach, official, parent, another physician, or any other person. If an injured participant has a team physician present, consultation between the tournament manager and team physicians is expected when time permits, prior to the decision.
2. To provide medical coverage/services to tournament participants as requested.
3. To interrupt a contest if, in the opinion of the tournament physician, continuation would pose a significant threat to the safety, health, or life of a competitor, due to an injury to said competitor.
4. To enter the field of competition as necessary to fulfill his/her duties.
5. To supervise the activities of paramedical personnel who may be involved in the conduct of the tournament.
6. To serve as advisor to the tournament director on medical, health, and safety matters related to the tournament.

SCHOOL ATHLETIC TRAINER/DOCTOR RETURN TO TOURNAMENT MANAGER

This information confirms the responsible individual(s) in the event of an injury to a participant. **EACH TEAM MAY BE ALLOWED ONE (1) TRAINER OR DOCTOR.**

Name of High School _____

Name of Head Coach _____

Name of Athletic Trainer _____

Is Athletic Trainer NATA Certified? Yes No

Name of Student Medical Support _____

Name of Team Physician _____

Will this physician be on your bench? Yes No

In the event that an athlete needs, medical attention on the court/field or in the locker room, the WIAA Tournament Medical Personnel will make the initial assessment and then will turn the athlete over to the designated school trainer/or physician. However; the decision determining whether an injured participant may "return to play" shall be made by the WIAA Tournament Medical Personnel and may not be overturned by a coach, official, parent, another physician or any other person.

If an injured participant has a team physician present, consultation between the tournament manager and team physician is expected when time permits, prior to the decision.

Please list any special needs or concerns regarding your student-athletes which may be helpful or pertinent in any emergency situation (i.e., diabetic, epileptic, etc.)

Principal or Designee Name _____ Date _____

Principal or Designee Signature _____

COACHES/TEAM INFORMATION:

The following information is required for EACH team in the tournament:

Enter through WPA Roster Center- Team rosters and photos

Enter through Final Forms – Pass Gate, School Personnel (superintendent, school board members, team medical, cheerleaders and cheer coach, and School Supervisors)

Team medical personnel must also register with the tournament medical authority on site at the Tacoma Dome.

For more information click [HERE](#)

FACILITY WALK-THROUGH:

The Tacoma Dome will be open for a walk-through on *Tuesday, February 28*, from 6-7:00 PM. All Tacoma Dome parking lots are open at no charge during the team walk-through.

ENTRANCE:

Each team is allowed 12 players, and eight (8) designated school personnel (Coaches, Managers, Statisticians, etc.) If the team has a designated medical authority, that individual will also be allowed entry if listed on the team registration information. Each of these players and school personnel will be hand stamped with a fluorescent stamp at the pass gate for entrance into the facility and into the locker room.

School board members, superintendent, one (1) school photographer, one (1) school press and one (1) school video person will be admitted through the pass gate with proper I.D. if listed on the team registration information. The team bus driver must sign the team's registration page and is allowed free admission. ***Entrance will not be authorized for any other individuals.***

TEAM PARKING:

Each team will receive three (3) parking passes and every team vehicle must have a valid parking pass. **Schools will be held responsible for any fraudulent passes.**

School buses and vans (without a valid parking pass) will unload participants at the Lower NE door, then will be directed to park on Brotman Street. All buses must pay \$30 **each day** by cash, credit card or a check made payable to the City of Tacoma to park on Brotman Street.

Valid WIAA issued Tacoma Dome parking pass holders are STRONGLY ADVISED to exit I-5 at Portland Ave (Exit 135 Southbound), (Exit 134 Northbound) and proceed to their designated lot via Wiley Street.

LOCKER ROOMS:

After entering through lower NE gate at the Tacoma Dome approximately one (1) hour before game time, a team liaison will escort the team to the locker room attendants. The liaison will make arrangements for the storage of team equipment, location of locker rooms, taping procedures, and pre-game preparations.

- The team locker rooms will be assigned by the Tournament Manager
- Access to the designated locker room will be after half time of the preceding game.
- Only those individuals with the approved hand stamp will be allowed into the locker room area.
- The boys will use locker rooms A and B at the west end of the corridor and will play on the west court. The girls will use locker rooms C and D at the east end of the corridor and will play on the east court. Names

of the schools will be posted outside the locker rooms.

- The press will be restricted from entering the locker room area immediately following the game.
- Each team is responsible for the security of personal valuables. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING OF VALUE IN THE LOCKER ROOMS!
- Locker room attendants will be stationed outside the locker room at all times to be of assistance to the teams.
- Team water bottles can be filled in the locker room.

PRE-GAME WARMUP:

- The home team on the east court will be seated on the left side of the scorer's table as you face the court; visiting team will be seated on the right side of the scorer's table, closest to the curtain.
- The home team on the west court will be seated on the right side of the scorer's table as you face the court; visiting team will be seated on the left side of the scorer's table, closest to the curtain.
- There will be 15 chairs for players, coaches and other team personnel. Four (4) additional chairs will be at the end of each bench for the local team hosts.
- Games will not begin earlier than the published game time. The 15 minutes (not including introductions) warm-up time will begin immediately following the end of the preceding game or 20 minutes prior to the start of the next game. Coaches are advised to have their teams ready to begin warm-ups at that time.
- Teams must go directly to their designated half court for warming up and are restricted to warming up only on their designated half court before the game and at half time. If a team runs around the court or on the opposite team's baseline (whether the opposing team is on the court or not) or through the opposing team's warm-up drills, an *indirect technical* for unsportsmanlike conduct will be issued to the head coach and the coach will lose the ability to stand and coach during the game.
- During introductions the team huddle must take place at each respective team end (not at center court.)

PREGAME TIMING SHEET

GAME CLOCK	ACTIVITY
20:00	Countdown clock begins for first game of the day
15:00	Countdown clock begins (following previous game)
10:00	PA Read Block #1 (<i>PA Script</i>)
5:00	PA Read Block #2 (<i>PA Script</i>)
0:00	Horn signals teams to benches
0:00	Team Introductions
0:00	Introduce Officials
0:00	National Anthem
0:00	Tip-off

HEAD COACH'S RESPONSIBILITY:

The head coaches of the participating teams are expected to instruct their players in the following procedures:

TEAM WARM-UPS:

The teams participating in the first game of each day will begin their warm-up at 20 minutes prior to the scheduled game time. For all other games, warm-ups will begin once the pre-game clock has been reset to 15 minutes.

Teams must go directly to their designated half court for warming up and are restricted to warming up only on their designated half court before the game and at half time. If a team runs around the court or on the opposing team's baseline (whether the opposing team is on the court or not) or through the opposing team's warm-up drills, an indirect technical for unsportsmanlike conduct will be issued to the head coach and the coach will lose the ability to stand and coach during the game.

When the warm-up clock expires, players and coaches will go to their respective benches.

TEAM INTRODUCTIONS:

- The five starting players will discard their warm-up suits and/or shooting shirts and stand in front of their bench with their coach and assistant coaches.
- Starting with the visiting team followed by the home team, non-starters from each team are introduced.
- The starters are announced next with the PA Announcer alternating between the visiting team and home team. Starting with the visiting team, as a player's name is read, he/she will come forward to center court. A player from the home team will then be announced and proceed to center court to shake hands with the opposing player, then both players will return to their respective free throw lines.
- When all starters have been announced, non-starters from each team will join their respective starters at their free throw lines.
- The head coaches and assistant coach(s) of each team will be introduced after all of that team's players have been introduced. Head coaches will meet at center court for a handshake before joining their respective teams and coaches at their free throw lines.
- Gatherings intended to motivate a team after the warm-up period, during or following player introductions and post-game celebrations should be performed in the area directly in front of the team bench and cannot delay the start of the game.

NATIONAL ANTHEM:

Players and coaches will line up at their respective free throw lines and wait for the playing of the National Anthem.

GAME BALLS:

Baden Elite Pro basketballs will be provided for all games and pregame warm-ups.

PRACTICE SESSIONS:

There will be no practice sessions at any tournament sites.

HOME TEAMS:

The second or bottom teams listed on the state tournament bracket will be the home teams.

UNIFORMS:

Each team is instructed to bring a set of white and a set of dark uniforms. The home team shall wear white uniforms.

TEAM BENCHES:

The tournament manager will designate the home team bench. Teams are to use the basket opposite to their team bench for the first half per-game warm-up. Student bodies of participating schools will be placed behind their respective team's bench whenever possible.

BENCH DECORUM RULE:

NFHS Rule 10-5-3 – The 28 foot COACHES BOX has been adopted for all levels of play.

PROGRAMS:

Each team will be provided with two complimentary programs. Coaches will be asked to sign for these. 20 programs will be available at the reduced rate of \$6.00 each through the program sellers on Tuesday or Wednesday only, if paid by cash, check or P.O., additional programs will be \$7.00 each.

FILMING:

Platforms in sections 116/117 and 119/120 have been set aside for teams to film or videotape. Electrical outlets are available, but extension cords will not be provided. The individual filming for his/her school must be identified as the official school videographer on the team registration.

AWARDS:

Sportsmanship awards may be presented immediately following the team handshake after each game on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. 1st through 6th place trophies will be presented following the appropriate games on Saturday.

GAME STATISTICS:

Half time and post game box scores will be distributed to coaches participating in that game, will be posted near the tournament bracket boards and in the press area, and posted on the internet at www.StatCrew.com. Tournament brackets are posted on the WIAA Web site at www.wiaa.com/tournamentbrackets and will be updated after every game.

TOURNAMENT PHOTOGRAPHS:

Northwest Sports Photography will take team pictures before each team's first tournament game 45 minutes before each scheduled game time in a designated location off the court. Cheerleaders' pictures may be taken

during half time on Wednesday or Thursday. Each school may make arrangements for individual photographs.

TEAM HOSTS:

Each team will have local members of the Tacoma business community serving as team hosts. The team hosts will contact each coach directly and offer assistance as needed.

ROSTER/BENCH LIMITATIONS:

12 Players (must be the same 12 at each site; substitutions are allowed between regionals and state)

8 designated school personnel (coaches, managers, statisticians, etc) 1 medical personnel

SUBSTITUTION OF PLAYERS IN POSTSEASON QUALIFYING AND STATE TOURNAMENTS:

WIAA Handbook rule 22.3.0 will be waived, and postseason substitutions may be made on a team's roster. The maximum number of participants cannot be exceeded, but changes can be made.

GAMES COMMITTEE:

Each Event Manager shall appoint and name a Games Committee for all postseason contests. The Games Committee will be on site or readily accessible by phone for all postseason qualifying and/or state contests. The Games Committee shall be composed of no fewer than three, nor more than five, members. Games committee members will include 1) the event manager or designee; 2) the head official; 3) a coach, athletic director or school administrator; and may include 4) the official scorekeeper or 5) another event staff member. The Games Committee members may not have a conflict of interest with the teams/individuals involved with the game under dispute.

Duties of the Games Committee shall be as follows:

- Assist the tournament director as needed and be immediately available to him/her at all times during the event.
- Act as an arbitration board of dispute on questions or protests that might arise. The final decision will be the consensus of the Games Committee.
- Questions concerning infractions may be brought to the Games Committee by the head coach or school administrator responsible for the team, not by a contestant, parent or spectator.

PROTEST PROCEDURE TO BE UTILIZED DURING POSTSEASON QUALIFYING AND/OR STATE EVENTS

In all WIAA-approved state tournaments, protests must meet the following requirements in order to be heard:

- **Protests of an official's judgment will not be heard.**
When a **head** coach feels that there has been a misinterpretation or misapplication of a **specific playing** rule, the coach shall notify the game officials following the incident in question and prior to the resumption of action that the contest is under protest.
- At that point the official(s) will suspend the contest until a decision of the Games Committee has been determined.
- The Games Committee will meet immediately or as soon as is reasonably possible upon receiving notification of the protest. During the meeting of the Games Committee, the coach shall be afforded the opportunity to present rationale and justification including the specific rule(s) in question, how the tournament officials misapplied or misinterpreted the rule(s), and the desired outcome of the protest. The official(s) shall be afforded the opportunity to present the rule and its implementation in the protested situation.
- The Games Committee will consult with the WIAA staff member who oversees that sport; will follow any additional protest procedures covered in the specific NFHS rule book; and will utilize

the NFHS and/or WIAA playing rules, scorebook, and/or statistics to determine the appropriate ruling.

- The Games Committee will deliberate in closed session.
- The decision of the Games Committee is final.

PROTEST PROCEDURE TO BE UTILIZED DURING POSTSEASON QUALIFYING AND/OR STATE EVENTS

Ejections resulting from a **judgment call that resulted in an ejection**, may be appealed. **School approved video evidence, submitted by the principal or designee**, may be used to determine whether an ejection was due to incorrect judgment on the part of the ejecting contest official(s).

For **postseason** qualifying **contests** and/or state **contests**, any appeal will be heard by the Games Committee (refer to 19.13.3), providing the appeal was approved by the school principal/designee. A decision will be given no later than two (2) hours before the next event in which the ejected person might participate.

Failure of the school to enforce the regulation or decision will result in the disqualification from and forfeiture of all remaining contests of that event. Due process procedures of the WIAA Handbook and Rule Violations and Penalties will apply to any further action.

The severity of the penalty for the second ejection or for aggressive physical contact may be appealed to the WIAA Executive Director upon presentation of rationale and written documentation signed by the WIAA member school principal or superintendent desiring and supporting penalty modification within two (2) school business days after the conclusion of the contest in which the ejection occurred.

STAFF SUPERVISORS:

Head supervisors must meet with the tournament school liaison by half time of the previous game. All supervisors must be listed on the supervisor list, check in at the pass gate, wear the appropriate authorized credential, be readily identifiable and be prepared to supervise the school's rooting section. All credentials must be returned to the pass gate after the game.

In addition to the principal and athletic director, three (3) supervisory credentials may be issued.

Supervisory Passes - The supervisory passes are intended for faculty members and school administrators serving as supervisors of student rooting sections.

TOURNAMENT MERCHANDISE:

Rush Team Apparel will have tournament apparel for sale throughout the tournament.

BANDS - NATIONAL ANTHEM:

The National Anthem will be played at the beginning of each day. The home team will have the first opportunity to perform the National Anthem according to the following schedule: boys home team on Wednesday, girls home team on Thursday, boys home team on Friday; girls home team on Saturday. The band director or soloist must check in with the floor manager at least 20 minutes prior to game time.

TEAMS/INDIVIDUALS UNABLE TO ARRIVE FOR SCHEDULED COMPETITION AT A CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT:

The WIAA Executive Board and executive staff believe that all teams/individuals earning the right to participate in championship events should have those rights protected as much as possible. The WIAA Executive Board and executive staff also recognize the efforts of all participants to attend the championship events. The participating schools must also realize that these events are held to certain restrictions with facilities, game officials, and all other game administration. A WIAA championship event shall be defined as regional and state competition. The competing school is responsible for notifying the WIAA office or the event manager, if the school is having difficulty traveling to the event site due to weather or a clear area-wide emergency and may not arrive in time for the scheduled event(s). Notification shall be made as soon as possible after it becomes evident that the team/individual is having difficulty. School personnel have the responsibility of making alternative travel plans to tournament sites based upon weather forecasts and any other pertinent information. As a common practice, input and recommendations are to be sought from the Highway Patrol and/or the Department of Transportation. Specific circumstances not covered by this policy are left to the discretion of the WIAA Executive Director or designee.

- 22.6.1 If a team/individual is unable to arrive at a championship event site for its scheduled competition due to circumstances beyond its control (e.g., an earthquake, all passes closed, roads closed due to flooding, etc.) that team/individual will be allowed to participate in its scheduled event provided it arrives at the event site and is able to compete on the day of its scheduled event. The WIAA Executive Director, in cooperation with the event manager, shall adjust the schedule of the event for the purpose of allowing maximum participation for all qualified schools. If the team/individual is unable to arrive to compete on the day of its event, a forfeit is recorded and that team/individual shall move into the consolation bracket or be dropped from competition, whichever is applicable to the particular event.
 - A. There may be times in the interest of safety, weather, or conditions beyond the control of the participating schools and/or the tournament management that it becomes necessary to delay, postpone, or cancel such tournaments. The intent of this policy is to accommodate the participating school(s) by rescheduling if possible.
 1. The following practices shall be observed:
 - a) If severe weather conditions affect a participating school, but not the tournament, the principal must notify the tournament director.
 - b) If severe weather conditions affect the tournament, the WIAA Executive Director or WIAA staff designee will make the final decision concerning tournament postponement or rescheduling.
 - c) Play will resume on the next playable date.
 - d) Changing of sites, postponement or cancellation of events will be determined by the WIAA Executive Director or WIAA staff designee.
 2. Procedures to follow if contests are rescheduled:
 - a) The WIAA Executive Director or WIAA staff designee has the final authority on contest rescheduling.
 - b) If contests are rescheduled on the same day as originally scheduled but at a different site, the semifinal and championship contests will be scheduled at the same time or later than originally scheduled.
 - c) Time between contests may be shortened. Example: If contests were originally scheduled at two (2) hour intervals, they may be rescheduled at one and one half (1½) hour intervals.

- d) Individuals/teams shall be granted a minimum of twenty (20) minutes for rest between contests.
- e) Whenever possible, contests played on the final day of the tournament shall be scheduled to allow individuals/teams to return to their home community that day.

WIAA/GESA CREDIT UNION

2022-23 Bound for State Regulations



STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 1-4, 2023

1B, 2B	Spokane Veteran's Memorial Arena	Spokane
1A, 2A	Yakima Valley SunDome	Yakima
3A, 4A	Tacoma Dome	Tacoma

Changes from the 2021-22 Basketball Regulations are indicated in bold type and shaded.

State Basketball Championships

Opening Rounds at local sites: February 24 or 25, 2023

Final twelve in each gender and each classification: March 1-4, 2023

1B and 2B	Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena
1A and 2A	Yakima Valley SunDome
3A and 4A	Tacoma Dome

State Schedule – The boys championship game will be scheduled first during the school years ending with an even number (e.g. 2023-24, 2025-26, 2027-28), and the girls championship game will be scheduled first during the school years ending with an odd number (e.g. 2022-23, 2024-25, 2026-27).

Allocations - Allocations in basketball are made to the WIAA Districts.

Squad Sizes - 12 Players
8 designated school personnel (coaches, managers, statisticians, etc)
1 medical personnel

Roster and photo must be entered in the school's WPA Network/VNN account.

Team Information and Roster/Bench limit
12 players

All team/school personnel for the pass gate must be entered into the school's Final Forms account.
8 designated school personnel (coaches, managers, statisticians, etc.)
1 medical (must be a licensed health care provider)

22.5.0 RESCHEDULING OF STATE EVENTS DUE TO OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH - Should a team that recognizes the Saturday Sabbath be involved in a WIAA state basketball tournament, and should the team, due to bracketing, play during the time that the Saturday Sabbath is observed, a semifinal game would be moved from Friday evening to Friday afternoon. Any Saturday consolation games would be moved to a later time that evening, and the championship game would be played during the later game time.

Individuals who observe the Sabbath on teams will not be accommodated at team events.

Supervisory Passes - The supervisory passes are intended for faculty members and school administrators serving as supervisors of student rooting sections.

Supervisory passes may be issued as follows:
1B, 2B, 1A and 2A schools: In addition to the principal and athletic director, one (1) supervisory pass may be issued by the WIAA for each participating team.
3A and 4A schools: In addition to the principal and athletic director, three (3) supervisory passes may be issued by the WIAA for each participating team.

Chaperones other than school personnel are not eligible for supervisory passes. Supervisors assigned by the school principal are to be in or near the school's cheering sections and must be identified with the supervisory credential provided.

A team's school bus driver will be admitted at no charge through the pass gate.

Tournament Souvenir Program Information - Each participating school will receive two (2) complimentary copies of the program.

Qualifying Tournaments

1. Each WIAA District is responsible for any qualifying tournaments leading to the State tournaments. In the event of a direct entry from a league, it is the leagues' responsibility to determine entries. If the District or league has more than one entry to the State tournament, the teams must be designated as #1, #2, #3, etc.
2. The deadline for determining District entries to the State tournaments shall be midnight of the Saturday prior to the tournament. Any exceptions must be cleared through the WIAA office.

Team Parking - Parking may be provided for team buses, cars, or vans in an area located near the facilities.

Dressing Rooms - Team dressing rooms will be assigned by the tournament manager. WIAA is not responsible for lost articles.

Taping - Tape and taping of players is the responsibility of the school.

Practice Sessions - There will be no practice sessions at any of the **opening round or state** tournament sites.

Pre-Game Warm-up -

1. The tournament manager will determine warm-up time between games.
2. Teams are guaranteed 15 minutes prior to the pre-game introductions.
3. Team must go directly to their designated half court for warming up and are restricted to warming up only on their designated half court before the game and at half time. If a team runs around the court or on the opposing team's baseline (whether the opposing team is on the court or not) or through the opposing team's warm-up drills, an indirect technical for unsportsmanlike conduct will be issued to the head coach and the coach will lose the ability to stand and coach during the game.

Team Introductions - The head coaches of the participating teams are asked to assume responsibility for carefully instructing their players in the following procedures:

1. The teams may begin their warm-up no later than twenty (20) minutes prior to the scheduled game time.
2. Five (5) minutes before game time the players and coaches of the two participating schools will go to their respective benches where members of the squad who are not starting will take seats on the bench. The five starting players will discard their warm-up suits and/or shooting shirts and stand in front of their bench with their coach and assistant coach. As each starting players' name is called, that player will come forward to center court. The P.A. announcer will introduce one player from each squad in an alternating manner. Players will meet at center court, shake hands and go to their respective free throw line. The head coach and assistant coach(es) will be introduced following the starting players and will step onto the court to be recognized.
3. The game officials will be introduced last and will step onto the court two paces in front of the scorers' table.
4. Players and coaches will then return to their benches to wait for the playing of The National Anthem.
5. The same procedure will be followed for the start of the each succeeding game. The National Anthem may not be played at the beginning of each game.

Home Teams - The second or bottom teams listed on the state tournament bracket will be the home teams.

1. **Uniforms** - Each team is instructed to bring a set of white and a set of dark uniforms. The home team will wear the white uniforms. All uniforms must have numbers.
2. **Team Benches** - The tournament manager will designate the home team bench. Teams are to use the basket opposite to their team bench for the first half pre-game warm-up. Student bodies of participating schools will be placed behind their respective team's benches whenever possible.

Bench Decorum Rule: NFHS Rule 1-13-2 – The twenty-eight (28) foot COACHES BOX has been adopted for all levels of play.

Game Ball – Baden Perfection Elite (29.5" for boys and 28.5" for girls) will be provided for all State tournament games.

Games Committee – Refer to the General Bound for State Regulations for Games Committee Guidelines.

PERFORMANCE GROUPS

BAND, CHEER, DANCE/DRILL | 2023 STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES

Facility Access – Please enter through the participant pass gate. Cheerleaders and coach(es) must be listed on the team registration form. The pass list will allow access to any tournament game. Dance/Drill squads with coach and band members with band director will be admitted upon identification of the coach and band director for their respective games only.

- Cheerleader Roster limits** - Cheerleaders in uniform are admitted free through the pass gate. There is no limit on the number of cheerleaders approved by the participating school. Due to the restricted area for crowd movement in front of each student rooting section, only twelve (12) cheerleaders may be cheerleading in front of their crowd at any given time. Any number of cheerleaders may participate in performances on the basketball court during approved dead ball periods.
- Cheerleader Coaches** - One coach may be admitted at no charge for every eight cheerleaders (one to eight cheerleaders, one coach admitted free; nine to sixteen cheerleaders, two coaches) up to a maximum of three coaches.

Dressing Room – A room will be available for changing clothes and preparing for games. Please do not use the public restrooms for this purpose.

Check-in at Site - The cheerleader coach, dance/drill coach and band director must report to the Tournament Manager one-half to one hour prior to each of their game times to verify supervisory responsibilities and to determine performance schedules.

On-Court Performance Schedule – One (1) minute is allocated for the following:

Between 1st and 2nd quarter

Between 3rd and 4th quarter

Between any subsequent overtime periods

During a full time out (cheerleaders are not allowed onto the court during a 30-second timeout)

Half-time Entertainment – Seven (7) minutes will be allocated for half-time entertainment. Since the clock is running, the time allotted for performing groups begins when the group enters the court and end when the group exits the court (NOT when the music begins and ends.) All half-time entertainment must be cleared with the Tournament Manager prior to the contest. The recommended performance order is listed below. This schedule can be changed upon mutual agreement of all performance groups and/or the tournament manager depending upon half-time presentations or special promotions.

1st - Home Drill Team (3 minutes maximum)

2nd - Visiting Drill Team (3 minutes maximum)

3rd – Home Cheerleaders (30 seconds)

4th – Visiting Cheerleaders (30 seconds)

5th – Home Band (if time permits)

6th – Visiting Band (if time permits)

Half-time Music – Performers are required to have their own cassette tape and their own tape player unless the band is playing. A representative of the performing group must be present at the announcer's table to cue the music.

Length of Routines – Squads are recommended to be prepared with both short and long routines, depending upon the number of squads on site and time available.

DANCE/DRILL ONLY:

Props – All props or sets used must have rubber or carpet tips in order to prevent scarring of the floor.

BANDS ONLY:

Designated area – Band members must remain seated during the time the ball is in play and must remain at least 12 feet away from the edge of the playing area.

Noisemakers – Noisemakers are prohibited and will be confiscated by the management. Band instruments are to be used for playing music under the direction of the conductor and not as noisemakers.

National Anthem – The National Anthem will be played at the beginning of each session either by the designated home team or by a soloist selected by the tournament management. Note: Tournament management will determine a boy/girl game rotation order of the home team band.

Music during player introductions

- a. Bands may play a fanfare after each individual player is introduced for their team ONLY.
- b. This fanfare must be no more than five (5) seconds in length.
- c. No music may be played during or after each opposing team member is introduced.
- d. The floor manager or announcer must be informed during the team warm-ups if the band will play a fanfare during the introductions.

Playing - Both bands should not play at the same time. It is unacceptable for any band member(s) to play an instrument, either formally or informally, while another performance is taking place. It is the responsibility of the directors to mutually agree on a fair system of alternating during dead ball situations. If a band is performing during a time out or quarter break and the play resumes, every reasonable effort should be made to cease playing as soon as possible. Please do not play until after the sportsmanship medallion is presented following the game.

CHEERLEADERS ONLY:

Cheerleader Warm-up Area – A designated warm-up area will be provided. Cheer squads MUST bring their own mats and MUST be supervised while in the warm-up area.

Props - Cheer crowd involvement cue cards may be used as props (not to exceed 3' x 3') during tournaments. The cue cards are to be used by cheerleaders in the cheerleader area only and the words must be supportive of their team and not degrading to opponents. Megaphones may be used only by the cheerleaders.

Stunts - Stunts may be practiced only in the designated warm-up area IF THE SQUAD BRINGS AN APPROPRIATE MAT. No coaches will be allowed onto the competition floor as spotters.

- 54.2.1 NFHS Spirit Rule 2-2-3 Addition: Members of a cheer squad involved in stunting, including bases, fliers and spotters, shall wear their hair away from the face and off the shoulders.
- 54.2.2 NFHS Spirit Rule 2-10-2 Addition: A nonskid surface mat(s) of at least 6' x 8' is required for performing basket tosses and other similar multi-base tosses on a hard surface. (Folding panel mats and yoga mats are neither acceptable nor appropriate.)

Introduction of Starting Line-up – Cheerleaders may be on the competition floor but must remain within the designated half court area during the pre-game introduction of starters. Cheerleaders may be introduced prior to the team's first game.

Responsibility of the Cheerleaders - Only school district accepted cheers should be used at the appropriate times. Cheers or yells with degrading opponent implications and profanity must be avoided. Cheerleaders actions, responsibility, acceptance, and control of student sections will be evaluated and scored as contributing to sportsmanship awards.

**UNDERAGE WORKER FORM: RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK,
AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT")**

Sport: _____ Role: _____ Date of Event: _____

School Representing (if applicable): _____ Athletic Director: _____

In consideration of participating in the **2022-23 Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA)** _____ **(NAME OF EVENT)**, I represent that I understand the nature of this Activity and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I acknowledge that if I believe event conditions are unsafe, I will immediately discontinue participation in the Activity.

I fully understand that this Activity involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the event, the conditions in which the event takes place, or the negligence of the "Releasees" named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the Activity.

I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue **Washington Interscholastic Activities Association**, its respective WIAA Districts, administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "Releasees" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the Releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I have read this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature, and intend it be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

Signature of Participant

Printed Name of Student Participant

Date

PARENTAL CONSENT

AND I, the minor's parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of the above referenced activities and the minor's experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such activity. I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on the minor's account caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations, and further agree that if, despite this release, I, the minor, or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claim against any of the above Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss liability, damage, or cost any Releasee may incur as the result of any such claim.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

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