

THE REBOUNDERS REPORT



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Tournament Draw Dates

Sunday, February 3: 2:00 (Girls)
Sunday, February 10: 2:00 (Boys)

Thanks for reading. Several questions that have come up through the week are addressed for everyone in this posting.

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Non-Interscholastic Participation Cautions Urged

A LONG-standing regulation of the OHSAA prohibits a player during the season from participating in NON-school basketball. Known as the "Non-Interscholastic Rule", it is detailed in Sports Regulation 6.3 in the OHSAA Handbook and can be viewed at: <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/rglts/GenSportsReg12-13.pdf>

The penalties for a player participating in non-interscholastic basketball during the season of play are quite severe; both to the player and potentially to a team. As half-way mark of the season is upon us, many players are not getting the playing time they often THINK they deserve. Thus the lure to go play in the CYO game, or the Saturday "Y" game.

What ARE the penalties?

For the Individual: *A player that violates this regulation becomes IMMEDIATELY ineligible. Though the penalties permit up to 1 year of suspension, the severity of the offense is taken into consideration. However, the greater potential issue is for the 'team' as listed next.*

For the Team: *Though there is no 'team penalty' for violation of Sport Regulation 6.3 by an individual, there IS a potential consequence for a team that is quite severe. Looking above, a player that violates the regulation becomes immediately ineligible. So, if that player plays in the next contest (or several), he/she is doing so as an ineligible player. And....use of an ineligible player....FORFEITURE of the contest.*

The suggestion? Take 5 minutes on a light practice day in a team meeting and REVIEW this with your players. There is simply too much at stake.

Start Tracking Wins/Losses by Division

At Sectional seed meetings, coaches will be required to post their record vs different divisions. It is a good time to do this now rather than walking into your meeting and 'guessing'.

Some Things that Amaze Me – 5 Quarters per Day

It happens...but all too often someone 'heard' there was a rule change. Trust me, if you are an official or a coach, RULE CHANGES are carefully communicated. Sorry, but that is one of the reasons we REQUIRE Rules Interpretation meetings. There are NO changes that occur during the season, though there are sometimes 'clarifications'. I have had several reports that 'someone heard' there were now SIX quarters permitted per day. Simply not true. Dispel that rumor.

Penalties for Too Many Quarters

Covered in the Pre-Season Manual but occasionally I receive questions about this.

If detected at the time: the player is removed from the contest and a "T" is administered.

If realized AFTER the fact: there is no penalty but all quarter count toward the total permitted.

Shooting Contests/Free Throw Contests

Many inquiries regarding the "Elks Hoop Shoot" and the like. These are permitted for a player with no fear of violating the Non-Interscholastic Regulation (see left). If a member of the boys team wants to participate in a half-time shooting contest (hopefully not at a boys game!!!), he is permitted to do so and also receive winnings for doing so. They are considered 'game of chance' which are not governed by the 'Non-Interscholastic Regulation'.

JV Girls vs the Freshmen Boys

One of the first Bylaws (Bylaw 1-7-1) prohibits competition between teams of opposite gender. So, it might sound like a good idea, but is not permitted.

We Lost A Good One

Many of you knew Cory Sprow, a veteran boys' basketball coach at Delta High School in NW Ohio. Cory was killed recently in an auto accident. Our Condolences to his family; we lost a great one.



It's Popular....AND A LEGAL PLAY

It has become popular (thanks Steve Williman for showing me this years ago!), but many of you vs a zone defense will dribble the player toward the baseline, jumps in the air while momentum carries him/her out of bounds and throws a pass to a shooter in the opposite corner. Works well (if you have a 'maker' and not just a 'shooter'!). Anyhow...Rule 9-3 Article 3 indicates a "player shall not leave the court for an unauthorized reason". This rule (per the NFHS and the OHSAA's Director of Development) **does not cause this to be a violation**. In conclusion....it is LEGAL. And good if you have a good 'maker'!

Hard to believe, I know. But consider that nearly every parent of a player from age 4 and beyond believes they will play in the NBA or at LEAST for Duke or another Top 10 NCAA team. Here is a VERY interesting study done by the NCAA.

By the Numbers

3.3%

Percentage of high school boys basketball players that will play NCAA basketball

1.3%

Percentage of NCAA Men's basketball players that will make it to the NBA.

0.03%/

Percentage of high school boys basketball players that will make it to the NBA.

3.7%

Percentage of high school girls basketball players that will play NCAA basketball.

0.9%

Percentage of NCAA Girls basketball players that will make it to the WNBA..

0.02%

Percentage of high school girls basketball players that will make it to the WNBA.

For the Complete Study (and it's good!), go to:

http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Athletics_Information/Probability_of_Competing_Past_High_School.pdf