

This Week in Volleyball



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The Ohio High School Athletic Association

- **Mandatory rules interpretation meeting – WINDOW TO CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT AUGUST 20** – We are completing our last in-person meetings this week, and coaches and officials will need to attend a meeting or complete the online meeting by August 20. We anticipate sending an email to schools and officials on Wednesday to remind those who have not attended that they need to complete the online meeting by the deadline.
If you have not attended a face to face or completed an online meeting by the deadline, you will need to complete the online meeting at a cost of \$50 as the official makeup meeting. Coaches and officials will need to call into the office, pay for the meeting with a credit card prior to gaining access to the meeting site. Credit will be given once the meeting is completed.
- **7th-8th grade matches** – One of the limitations on an individual middle school (grades 7-8) player in a day is the three set limitation. OHSAA rules do not restrict on which squad a middle school player participates. Therefore, a 7th grader could play in both the 7th and 8th grade matches, and, likewise, an 8th grader could play in both the 7th and 8th grade matches. The only restriction is the three set limitation.
- **Time outs** – In accordance with NFHS VB rule 11-2-3, a time-out will last for 60 seconds unless both teams are ready to play. Thus, just because a team that is charged with a time-out wishes to resume play prior to the 60 seconds does not mean that the time-out is over unless the opponent is ready to play as well.
- **Non-Interscholastic Volleyball Participation** (club, YMCA, church, etc.) A reminder that once a student is selected to an interscholastic volleyball team and actually participates in a contest (defined as a scrimmage, preview or regular season match), that **student shall not participate in any training, practices, matches, tryouts, etc. with a non-interscholastic program** (JO club, YMCA, church, etc.) until after the interscholastic volleyball season has concluded for that student. This means after that individual student has played in her last contest for the school.
- **“Volley For the Cure”**– Due to the generous support of Brad Underwood of Sport Imports, schools participating in “Volley for the Cure” either as a Foundation Service week project or a stand-alone match, are able to use the pink and VFC net topper that will be made available free of charge. This usage is a special authorization for this event only as the NFHS rules require a solid white net topper. Good luck to those schools that will be participating in this fantastic service project.
- **Students below 7th Grade** – In accordance with OHSAA bylaws and sports regulations, students below grade 7 are ineligible to participate in 7-8th interscholastic sports including girls volleyball. Please insure that no 6th graders are participating on school teams.
- **Students who need to wear medical appliances or special headwear** – Please note that students who must wear medical devices or special headwear for either medical or religious reasons must have a letter of authorization issued by the OHSAA. Please include the doctor’s authorization if the special request deals with a medical issue.
- **Volleyball Tournament Draw** – The OHSAA Regional and State Tournament draw was completed at the OHSAA Board of Directors meeting. Please see the Volleyball Home Page for results of the draw.
- **Scrimmage Limitations** – Volleyball schools are permitted five scrimmages plus a preview. Those schools choosing to do a Foundation Service week match may use one of the scrimmages for this match. The time allotment for the high school scrimmage is three hours total per team (two hours for grades 7-8). Scrimmages may be competed at any time during the season.