

200 Basketball

201 GOVERNING BODY

National Federation Rule book is the governing authority in basketball. Some modifications may be made by the State CIF, NCS or the MCAL.

202 GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Basketball is a winter sport.
2. League play shall be a single round schedule.
3. Games will be played on Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Friday depending on the week.
4. The regular season shall end according to the official league schedule.
5. First games start at 4:30 PM. Girl's varsity games start at 6:00 PM and boy's varsity games at 7:30 PM. One JV team & the frosh play at the opposite site at 4:30, 5:45 & 7. For any Saturday contests lower level times 1:00, 2:15, 3:30.
6. Freshman girls will play after the freshman boys.
7. Cancelled or suspended games will be made up within the next fourteen days.
8. **Only** the athletic director or a site administrator may cancel or reschedule a game.

203 OFFICIALS

The Golden Gate Officials Bureau is the organization contracted by the league to assign officials for all basketball contests.

204 ADMISSION

Admission may be charged at any MCAL contest. See general rules for admission price guidelines.

205 LEAGUE RULES & GUIDELINES

1. There will be a fifteen-minute warm-up between games.
2. Second and third games can start earlier if both coaches agree and the officials are present, after warm-up time.
3. The varsity and junior varsity shall play eight (8) minute quarters.
4. The freshman shall play eight (8) minute quarters for all league games and non-league home games.
5. An alumni and foundation games will not count against the allowable number of games (26) or scrimmages (2).
6. Video scouting is allowed at any time on all levels.
7. Each gym should have signs up designating home and visitor seating areas.
8. Home school must supply experienced personnel to run the game clocks, and to keep the official scorebook.
9. Varsity Senior Night should be limited to NAMES ONLY---no commentary about each player is allowed.
10. There shall be no post season tournaments for varsity teams other than MCAL, NCS, and CIF play-offs.

11. There are no post season competitions for frosh or JV teams.
12. NCS/CIF rule 16.104H—Mercy Rule will be used (If @ the end of the 3rd Q a team has a 40/40+ lead, a running clock will be used.)
13. For lower level(non-varsity) basketball contests:
 - A. The home school shall provide adequate supervision to ensure the safety of students, officials and spectators at NON-VARSITY level contests.
 - B. Upon the arrival at the site, the visiting coach (es) and officials shall be contacted by the home school supervisor, who will identify him or herself as such.
 - C. It is recommended that the home coach not perform the duty of home school supervisor, if possible.
 - D. The home school supervisor may be a administrator, athletic director or other staff member as designated by the home school.

206 PLAY-OFFS

Basketball Play-offs Adopted June, 2024

6 schools are in the play-offs

#1 seed is the best league record

#2 seed is the second best league record

#3 seed is the third best league record, etc.

In case of a tie, tie-breaking criteria will be used.

All contests are held at home sites until the finals. Boy's finals will be held at Redwood and girl's finals will be held at Terra Linda.

Format:

Day One

@ highest seed

Monday

Game One

#3 vs # 6

Game Two

#4 vs #5

Day Two

@ highest seed

Wednesday

Game Three

lowest seed (3-6) left

in the tournament

vs

1

Day Two

@ highest seed

Wednesday

Game Four

highest seed (3-6) left

in the tournament

vs

#2

Day Three

@ Redwood -boys @ Terra Linda -girls

Friday

winner Game Three

Game Five

vs

winner Game Four

Saturday

Game time: Single Game 7:30, double header: Girls 6 & boys @ 7:30

Game time 7:00

- Administrators need to check in at the main gate 15 minutes prior to the game. The game may not start without an administrator from each school being present.
- Administrators from each school are asked to deal with supervision of their fans.
- Baseball teams may not be on the field until one hour prior to game time. If softball game is still going on, baseball teams must wait to enter facility.

Play-off Rules for Redwood:

1. There will be NO use of the second gym by any team during the MCAL play-off series hosted by the MCAL.
2. During play-offs if the girls and boys teams from the same school are playing the same date, wherever the girl's team sits will be the boy's bench as well. There will be NO adjustment of benches.

Concern was voiced about Branson's gym not being large enough to host a contest.

2 options:

1. If Branson felt they were going to be in the play-offs they would have to secure another site. In the event that Branson could not find an available site for Tuesday, the hosting of the contest would go to their opponent.
2. Single contests could be held at Branson and presale would be a must. 150 tickets would be given to each school and when they were gone, they would be gone!
3. Team limit: 15 players.

1. Selection of Officials for play-offs: By the date determined at the pre season coaches meeting, the head coaches in basketball should provide the Commissioner of the league a ranking of all officials as agreed to with the GGOB. This ranking will be used to determine the officials for the playoffs.
2. Administrators need to check with the asst. commissioner at the player's & coaches door at least 15 minutes prior to the game. The game may not start without an administrator from each school being present. Administrators from each school are asked to deal with supervision of their fans.
3. Each team will be guaranteed 15 min. warm up

207 TIE-BREAKING INFORMATION

Basic format used in the order that it appears:

1. *Head to head competition (Winning percentage)*
2. *Record above the tie (Winning percentage)*
3. *If a tie still exists between any two places. ...use numbers drawn for place**

If two teams are tied for a play-off position EXCEPT for 4th place, the above criteria is used.

If more than two teams are tied for a play-off position EXCEPT for the 4th place, the above criteria will be used to seed a team. Once a team is seeded, the above criteria will start over between the remaining tied teams.

For the sports of soccer & field hockey, all ties will be broken using points—3 for a win & 1 for a tie.

For the 4th play off position, if points values are the same within the tie and there is no 2 head to head wins by one team, then a play in contest would be held using information denoted below.

For the final play-off spot if two teams are tied:

There will be a play in game to the play-offs if there is no head to head (2-0) advantage except in single round sports, where the one head to head will be used.

- a. *host is the highest draw number*
- b. *admission would be charged as it is a play-off contest*

If more than two teams are tied for the last positions, 1 & 2 above will be used to break the three way tie to qualify the first play in game team. If the tie is not broken between the three teams using 1 & 2 above, then the draw numbers will be used to place the first team into the play in game.

The criteria will start OVER to determine the second play in team.

In the case of more than three way tie for more than one spot which includes the 4th position. The criteria will be used to break the tie seeding one team. The criteria will start OVER again to complete the tournament using the criteria as stated previously.

- *Numbers are drawn each spring for each school for each season of sport. It has been determined that a low number (1,2,3...) would be the top. The top number has priority!*

208 AWARDS & PENNANTS

After completion of the regular season play, the team with the best record will receive a pennant. If the winner of the play-offs is a different team than the round robin winner, a pennant will be awarded to the play-off winner.

209 ALL LEAGUE

PRIOR TO THE ALL LEAGUE MEETING all coaches are required to submit to their athletic director their nominations. This list will be used in making the final list of all league players.

1. Each coach is to arrive at the meeting with a preliminary list of fifteen (15) nominees of opponents.
2. The first vote will be for Player of the Year*. This is to be a vote for the athlete who had the best season. Coaches may vote for their own player in the Player of the Year (For Player of the Year---if there are more then 4 nominees, a pre-vote will be done where all coaches would rank the players nominated and the top 2 will be eligible for the honor.)
3. Coaches will speak for one minute about their own nominated players.
4. Coaches will then make a final list of all opponents in rank order---best player first and next best second and so on ranking the top fifteen players (not including their own.)
5. Commissioner or the Commissioner's representative tallies and lists the number of vote points in rank order. (First player on a list will receive 15 points, the second 14 points and so on.)
6. After the votes are calculated, the scores will be listed in rank order highest to lowest.
7. There will be a maximum of five all league first team members. (This does not include the player of the year). They will be the top five players listed.
8. There will be a maximum of five all league second team members. They will be the next 5 players listed.
9. The next five (5) players listed receive Honorable Mention.
10. If a school has no one on 1st, 2nd, or HM, the coach may submit a name for Honorable Mention.
11. Coaches must send a substitute or email nominees to the commissioner if he/she cannot attend.
12. Athletes are not to be penalized or omitted from consideration on All-League teams because the coach is not present at the meeting.
13. The voting is by ballot. Coaches must sign their ballots.
13. All-League athletes will receive certificates.
14. *Player of the Year: If you feel you have a player who is qualified to be considered for top honors:
 - A. Coaches nominate their own player
 - B. Nominations are due the date announced at the pre season meeting.
14. Results of All league balloting will be released by the Commissioner of the League via the MCAL website.