



VOLLEYBALL

Standard Operating Procedures

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SCHEDULE

The Big 9 will play a double round robin league schedule with each team having a bye during each rotation. All schools will play a total of 12 league games.

MATCH TIME, GAME BALL, AND PROCEDURES

- A. 5:30 pm for JV, C Team and Frosh A
7:00 pm for Varsity
Saturday games will be at Noon and 1:30 pm
Facility Limitations, Availability of Officials or Mutual Agreement may change schedule and/or game times.
- B. All Non-Varsity games will be 3 sets using official scoring (25, 25, 15)
- C. Nets to be set up 1 hour prior to start time, for warm up.
- D. After the varsity court is ready for play there will be a minimum warm-up time of twenty minutes that will start at the conclusion of the coin toss with officials. The warm-up will consist of six minutes of court time for the home, six minutes of court time for the visiting team, four minutes of court time for the home team and four minutes of court time for the visiting team. No match will start before the published START time. It is recommended to use 3-ball rotation to speed up play. If the court is available before the start of the twenty minute warm-up time, each team will have half of the court to warm-up on and there will be no shared court time.
- E. The home team will provide an approved NFHS game ball (either white or multi-colored) for each contest. The state-approved ball will be used for all league matches.

NUMBER OF SQUADS

Each School will have four (4) teams. (Some schools may have a second ninth grade team) If a school does not have the required four (4) teams, they are to notify the other school on the Monday prior to the first league match. Schools failing to notify the other school will be responsible for payment of officials for matches that are not played.

FEES

The official's fees for any Big 9 sub-varsity tournament will be paid for by all of the participating schools. The entry fee will be determined by taking the total cost of officials and divide that by the total number of teams participating. Each school will be billed the cost per team times the number of teams that they had participating. It is the recommendation of the coaches to hold one Sub Varsity Big 9 Tournament that all schools attend. The site of the tournament will rotate each year from a north to a south school on the schedule listed below.

2018	Davis
2019	Moses Lake
2020	West Valley
2021	Eastmont
2022	Sunnyside
2023	Wenatchee

OFFICIALS

- A. Two registered officials are required for all Varsity match.
- B. Responsible adult or officials are to be used as line judges for varsity matches.
- C. The home team is responsible for all line judges.
- D. Reimbursement for officials will be the host school's responsibility.

TEAM BENCH ASSIGNMENT

Teams will change benches at the completion of each set.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Each School will have all of their rosters posted on WPAN by the first league match of the season.

RESULTS REPORTING

The host school is responsible to report match scores on WPAN.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

League standings will be based on Win-Loss Record of all teams during league matches.

LEAGUE TIES

The Big 9 tiebreaker procedures listed below will be used to break all ties for seeding purposes.

STEP 1: Head to head between the schools tied.

- A. In a two-team tie, the advantage would go to the team that has won both league matches. If the teams split their league matches, move to step 2.
- B. In a multiple team tie you would compare win - loss records between the teams involved in the tie. If when comparing win-loss record between team(s), a team (or teams) is pulled from the tie, you would begin the steps through the tiebreaker again.

STEP 2: Volleyball Scoring System Described Below.

If two or more teams are tied at the end of the regular season and the head to head criteria does not break the tie, the next attempt to determine seeding placement will be to compare each team's Set-Winning Percentage and then each team's Point Percentage, when necessary, against those teams that they are tied with. Please note that once this step is used to break any ties that all ties will be broken using the same criteria without repeating any of the prior steps. For example, if there is a three-team tie and the top seed is determined using Set-Winning Percentage, seeding for the other two teams will continue to use the next step and not revert back to head to head results.

Set-Winning Percentage

Each team's Set-Winning Percentage will be determined by dividing each team's total sets won versus the teams they are tied with during the Big 9 regular season by the total sets played versus the teams they are tied with during the Big 9 regular season.

The team with the highest percentage is first; the next highest team is second and so forth. If the Set-Winning Percentage does not break some or all of the ties, the next criteria to be used would be to compare the Point Percentage of each of the teams involved in the tie.

Point Percentage

Each team's Point Percentage will be determined by dividing each team's total points scored during the Big 9 league matches versus the teams involved in the tie by the total points scored by the other teams involved in the tie during the same Big 9 League matches. If a tie still exists, move to step 3.

STEP 3: Quality wins point system

The following are the point values used, based on the end of season standings, to assist in breaking ties for end of the season playoff seeding. Teams tied for 1st are all considered number ones and teams tied for second are all number two's, etc. If this step does not break the tie, move to step 4.

Team Beaten	Equals
#1	7 pts.
#2	6 pts.
#3	5 pts.
#4	4 pts.
#5	3 pts.
#6	2 pts.
#7	1 pt.

STEP 4: Number Draw done each season by the Athletic Directors

Note: If a tie exists between the number six and seven teams and the teams split their league games, a tiebreaker game will be played on the Saturday following the conclusion of league play. (See Big 9 Handbook for game details)

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

- A. Big 9 Play-In Games. The league will hold play-in games for seeds 3-6 to get into the district tournament. Seed #3 will host seed #6 and seed #4 will host seed #5. These matches will be held on the first Tuesday following the completion of league play with a 6 pm or mutually agreed upon start time. The winner of the two play-in games will advance to the district tournament. The host school will be responsible for arranging for officials, taking a gate and lining up all of the necessary workers needed to put on the game. All of the game revenues will be deposited into the league's bank account and the league's treasurer will pay the officials and all workers.
- B. District Tournament
 1. A four-team district tournament will be held on the Thursday following the Big 9 League Play-In Games. The number one seed will host the district tournament.
 2. The number one and two seeds automatically advance to the district tournament and do not play in the play-in games on Tuesday.
 3. The number three and four seeds to the district tournament will be determined by the Big 9 League Play-In games. The two winners will be reseeded to determine who is the #3 and the #4 seed.
 4. Match length and scoring procedure will be the same as what is used in state playoffs.
 5. Rosters limits will be the same as State.
 6. Warm-up time will be a minimum of twenty minutes after the coin toss. The warm-up will consist of eight minutes shared court time followed by a 5-5-2 format, with the home team (highest seed) having the first 5 minutes on the court.
 7. The District 6 Director will assign the game officials for the district tournament.

8. All of the game revenues will be deposited into the District 6 bank account and the District Director will pay the officials and all workers.
9. The tournament format is spelled out below based on whether the has one or two allocations.

One Allocation

Tuesday, Big 9 Play-In Games at the highest seeds

- Game 1: #3 Seed vs #6 Seed
- Game 2: #4 Seed vs #5 Seed

Thursday, District 6 Tournament: Reseed the winners of the play-in games.

- Game 1: #1 Seed vs #4 Seed in the main gym at the #1 seed at 5 pm;
- Game 2: #2 Seed vs #3 Seed in the second gym at the #1 seed at 5 pm;
- Game 3: District Championship Game: Winner of Game 1 vs Winner of Game 2 at 7 pm or 30 minutes after the conclusion of the longest of games 1 or 2. The winner of this game is the District Champion and gets the District 6 #1 Allocation to State.

Two Allocations

Tuesday, Big 9 Play-In Games at the highest seeds

- Game 1: #3 Seed vs #6 Seed
- Game 2: #4 Seed vs #5 Seed

Thursday, District 6 Tournament: Reseed the winners of the play-in games.

- Game 1: District Championship Game: #1 Seed vs #2 Seed in the main gym at the #1 seed at 5 pm. The winner of this game is the District Champion and gets the District 6 #1 Allocation to State.
- Game 2: #3 Seed vs #4 Seed in the second gym at the #1 seed at 5 pm;
- Game 3: Second Place Game: Loser of Game 1 vs Winner of Game 2 at 7 pm or 30 minutes after the conclusion of the longest of games 1 or 2. The winner of this game gets the District 6 #2 Allocation to State.

ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM-NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF ALL CONFERENCE TEAM

- A. A week prior to the end of the volleyball regular season, the volleyball chairman will send out the nomination form for the All-Conference Team, The Big 9 Player of the Year and the Assistant Coach of the Year.

- B. Coaches should nominate from their own team all players that are to be considered for all-conference 1st team, 2nd team or honorable mention as well as the Big 9 Player of the Year and Assistant Coach of the Year. Coaches will list their players in order of consideration and include Team, Position, Name, Uniform Number, Year in School and Accumulated Statistics for Big 9 League Play. Positions for all-conference are 2 MIDDLE HITTERS/BLOCKERS, 2 OUTSIDE HITTERS, 1 OPPOSITE/RIGHT SIDE HITTER (total 5 hitters), 2 SETTERS and 1 LIBERO/ DEFENSIVE SPECIALIST to each team along with the Big 9 Player of the Year. The Big 9 Player of the Year will not be listed on the First Team All Conference. The nomination form needs to be returned to the volleyball chairperson by 3 pm on the Monday following the completion of the volleyball regular season. The chairperson will compile the nominations and send the initial all league

ballots out to all of the coaches electronically by the end of the day on Wednesday following the completion of the volleyball regular season.

The number of players that each team may nominate will be based on the order of finish within division play. If two teams are tied, they both will receive the same number of nominations based on what place they tied for.

First place - 6 players

Second place – 5 players

Third and Fourth place - 4 players

Fifth – Seventh place - 3 players

- C. The first order of business to take place at the end of the season meeting will be to vote on a Big 9 Player of the Year. The winner of this award will have their name removed from the ballot for the rest of the voting, as the Player of the Year will not be listed on the First Team All Conference. The volleyball chairperson will have a ballot for the coaches to vote on this award based on the nominations he/she has received prior to the meeting.
- D. The second order of business to take place at the end of the season meeting will be to vote on the all conference teams. Coaches will rank twice the number of selections for each position on the first team all conference team. For example, they will rank the top four middle hitters/blockers, outside hitters and setters and rank the top two liberos/defensive specialists and opposite/right side hitter for each position on the ballot. Ballots will be tabulated and the all-conference team will be presented to the coaches at the end of the meeting. Coaches cannot vote for players on their own team for any of the conference awards and they must cast the required number of votes for each position unless this is not mathematically possible. The final all conference teams will be determined by the criteria listed below:

Middle Hitters/Blockers, Outside Hitters & Setters

The top two vote getters will be first team all conference, the third and fourth two vote getter will be second team all conference and anyone else receiving a vote will be listed on the honorable mention all conference team.

Opposite/Right Side Hitter & Libero/Defensive Specialist

The top vote getter will be first team all conference, the second leading vote getter will be second team all conference and anyone else receiving a vote will be listed on the honorable mention all conference team.

- E. The final order of business to take place at the end of the season meeting will be for the coaches to select a Coach of the Year, an Assistant Coach of the Year and the Sportsmanship Team of the Year. Each team's head coach will be listed on the Coach of the Year ballot, each league team will be listed on the Sportsmanship Team of the Year ballot and any assistant coach that was nominated prior to the meeting will be listed on the Assistant Coach of the Year ballot.

The volleyball All Conference nomination form is on the last page of this document.

Player of the Year Nomination: _____

Assistant Coach of the Year: _____