2015-16 Boys Basketball Series Terms and Conditions

In accordance with Section 1.450 of the IHSA Constitution, the Board of Directors has approved the Terms and Conditions governing the 2015-16 IHSA Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A Boys Basketball Tournament Series.

I. SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION

Competition in the IHSA Boys Basketball Tournament Series will be determined on an enrollment basis.

A. The classification of a school shall be determined on the basis of its total student enrollment figure reported to the Illinois State Board of Education in its Fall Housing Report on September 30 of the preceding school year.

B. For classification purposes, the total student enrollments for one-year high schools, two-year high schools, three-year high schools and high schools which enroll boys only or girls only shall be calculated as follows:

1. For one-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be quadrupled.
2. For two-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.
3. For three-year high schools, one-third of the total student enrollment figure shall be added to the total student enrollment figure reported.
4. For schools which enroll boys only or girls only, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.

C. A multiplier of 1.65 will be added to all non-boundary schools.

D. Schools participating in sports and activities operating under the four-class system shall be classified as follows:

1. Schools with enrollments of 275 and below will be Class 1A.
2. Schools with enrollments of 275.01-551.00 will be Class 2A.
3. Schools with enrollments of 551.01-1378 will be Class 3A.
4. Schools with enrollments of 1378.01-above will be Class 4A.

II. DATES AND SITES

Class 1A and 2A: In each class, games at 32 Regional sites shall be held February 22-26, and the games at 8 Sectionals sites shall be held March 1, March 2, and March 4. The 4 Super-Sectional games shall be played on March 8 and the semifinal and final games of the State Final on March 11-12.

Class 3A and 4A: In each class, games at 32 Regional sites shall be held February 29, March 1, March 2, and March 4 and the games at 8 Sectionals sites shall be held March 8, March 9 and March 11. The 4 Super-Sectional games shall be played on Tuesday, March 15, and the semifinal and final games of the State Final on March 18-19.

State Final Tournament games shall be played at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center.

The IHSA Office has selected all tournament sites.

III. ON-LINE ENTRIES, WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES, ELIGIBILITY, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The policy for Original Entry Deadlines, Late Entries, and Late Withdrawals shall be the policies and procedures regarding entry for all IHSA-sponsored sport/activities included in the ***2015-16*** Entry ***Polices and Procedures***.

A. On-line Entries

All member schools must enter their school into the state series competition through the IHSA School Center on the IHSA Website at www.ihsa.org. The deadline for entry is November 1. **The 2015-16 Entry Policies and Procedures outlining the online entry procedures for all IHSA-sponsored tournaments can be found in the Schools Center on the IHSA website.**

B. Late Entries:

Any attempt to enter a sport or activity online after the established deadlines will be denied. Schools that wish to enter after the deadline will be considered late. To be considered for late entry, the Principal/Official Representative must contact the IHSA administrative officer in charge of that sport or activity. The penalty for late entry shall be a payment of $100.00 for that sport/activity by the school.

C. Breach of Contract By-Law 6.041 (Withdrawal Procedure)

To withdraw without penalty, the Principal must notify the IHSA Office, in writing, of the school's withdrawal from the respective sport prior to the seeding meeting date and/or the date the *List of Participants* is due for that sport.

If a school withdraws after the seeding meeting date/*List of Participants* due date but before the first competition, the school will be charged a $100 penalty and, if applicable, the cost of game officials and the host school guarantee provided for in the Terms & Conditions.

If a school does not officially withdraw prior to the first competition and/or does not show up for competition, the school will be charged a $100 penalty, the cost of game officials and the host school guarantee according to the Terms & Conditions for the respective sport.

D. Eligibility

All member schools in good standing may enter one team under the provisions of IHSA By-law 3.054.

E. Affirmative Action

Only Boys shall be permitted to participate in the state series except as provided in the IHSA Affirmative Action Policy.

IV. HOST FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

A. At Member School Sites:

1) The host school must charge admission and will be eligible to receive funding as listed below, plus the cost of game officials.

2) In Class 1A & 2A Regional games the host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host school shall receive a flat guarantee fee of $2,000.00 and shall be reimbursed the cost of the game officials (3 officials) included in Item XI. The host shall retain 20% of the net income and submit remainder to the IHSA. In case of a negative balance, the host shall be reimbursed for the entire deficit. In Class 3A & 4A Regional games, the host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host school shall receive a flat guarantee fee of $2,000.00 and shall be reimbursed the cost of the game officials (3 officials) included in Item XI. The host shall retain 20% of the net income and submit the remainder to the IHSA. In case of a negative balance, the host shall be reimbursed for the entire deficit.

3) In Sectional and Super-Sectional games the host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host school shall receive a guarantee of $770.00 for each night of competition and shall be reimbursed the cost of the game officials (3 officials) included in Item XI. The host shall retain 20% of the net income and submit the remainder to the IHSA. The IHSA will issue reimbursement checks to the participating schools for their team transportation expense.

B. Sites Other Than Member Schools:

1. When Sectional and Super-Sectional tournaments are held at sites other than IHSA member schools, the IHSA administrator in charge will determine the financial arrangements with the host using current financial arrangements as guidelines.

C. Admission Prices:

1. The following ticket prices have been set by the IHSA Board of Directors. "In Advance" or "At the Door" admission shall be as follows:

Regional	$4.00
Sectionals	$5.00
Super-Sectional*	$8.00

*At venues hosting two super-sectional games on the same evening, the ticket price shall be $10.

D. State Final Admission Prices:

Tickets for the Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A Boys Basketball State Final Tournaments at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center will be priced according to seat location. Location of seats set aside for followers of the teams advancing to the state final tournament(s) will be modified to reflect the ticketing arrangement. The price of tickets for seats will be at three levels. Season ticket packages will be made available for advance purchase first to IHSA member schools and then to the general public.

E. Rights Fees for TV and Radio:

1) Television Rights Fees to be charged by Local Managers and/or the IHSA are contained in the IHSA Television Policy.

2) Radio Fees which shall be charged are:

a) Regional Contest = No Charge

b) Sectional Contest = No Charge

c) Super-Sectional Contest = $50 (Regular)

d) State Final = $150 (Regular)

3) Policy regarding media requirements for each Local Manager is contained in these Terms and Conditions.

V. TOURNAMENT ASSIGNMENTS AND SEEDING MEETINGS

A. Class 1A and Class 2A: In class 1A and 2A, all state tournament series will begin in Regionals with initial seeding done by sub-sectionals. Each sub-sectional will contain 2 regional sites. Seeding for the tournament series will be done by sub-sectionals. Each sub-sectional will be seeded with the #1 and #4 assigned to one regional and #2 and #3 assigned to the other regional. The remaining teams will be assigned by geography.

B. Class 3A and 4A: All state tournament series will begin with a sectional complex except where excessive travel is a factor. This is determined by the IHSA administration. Where this occurs the tournament series will begin with sub-sectionals. Each sub-sectional will contain 2 regional sites. Seeding for the tournament series will be done by sub-sectionals. Each sub-sectional will be seeded with the #1 and #4 assigned to one regional and #2 and #3 assigned to the other regional. The remaining teams will be assigned by geography.

C. Tournament Series: The successive tournament series shall be designated respectively as regional, sectional, super-sectional and state final. The IHSA Office will select all regional, sectional and super-sectional host sites. All schools including the Chicago Public Schools entered in the state series will be assigned to a sub-sectional or sectional complex based upon geography.

D. Class 1A/2A Seeding Meetings: All seeding meetings shall be conducted on-line through the IHSA Schools Center. Seeding will only occur at the regional level. Schools that complete the *Season Summary Form* by the established deadline of 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 will have from 12 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, until 12 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016, to go on-line and cast one (1) seeding vote for their respective regional.

E. Class 3A/4A Seeding Meetings: All seeding meetings shall be conducted on-line through the IHSA Schools Center. Seeding will occur at the regional or sectional complex level, depending on each school's first level tournament assignment. Schools that complete the *Season Summary Form* by the established deadline of 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, will have from 12 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, until 12 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016, to go on-line and cast one (1) seeding vote for their respective regional or sectional complex.

F. Season Summary Sheet: Schools entered into the Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A state series will be required to submit a Season Summary Sheet on-line in the IHSA Schools Center. Class 1A and 2A schools will have until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, and Class 3A and 4A schools will have until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February, 17, 2016, to complete this on-line form. Failure to do so by the designated time and date will result in a school forfeiting its opportunity to participate in the seeding process. The *Season Summary Form* can be found in the IHSA Schools Center.

G. Seeding Meeting: Each school who completes the *Season Summary Form* by the established deadline shall have one (1) vote in the seeding process. No school shall vote for their own team. Seeding will occur at the regional or sectional complex level, depending on each school's first level tournament assignment. For Class 3A and 4A sectional complexes, the high and low seeds will be dropped for each school in determining their seed.

H. Sectional Pairings for Geographic Regionals: The sectional tournament bracket for those sectionals involving teams from geographic regionals will be based on the luck of the draw.

I. State Series Pairings: The Class 1A and 2A pairings will be made by the IHSA and posted on the IHSA web site no later than **Friday, February 12, 2016**. The Class 3A and 4A pairings will be made by the IHSA and posted on the IHSA web site no later than **Friday, February 19, 2016**.

VI. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULES

A. Names:

The successive series shall be designated respectively, Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional and State Final.

B. Time Schedules:

1) Single-Game Session Time Schedule

6:40 p.m. (Approx.) -- Start 15-minute pre-game warm-up on scoreboard clock
6:55 p.m. (Approx.) -- When 15-minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem
6:57-7:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches
7:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- Tournament Game Tip-off

2) Two-Game Session Time Schedule

5:40 p.m. (Approx.) -- Start 15-minute pre-game warm-up for 1st game on scoreboard clock
5:55 p.m. (Approx.) -- When 15-minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem
5:57-6:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches
6:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- 1st Game Tip-off
7:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- 1st Game concludes
7:00-7:05 (Approx.) -- 5-minute break between games
7:05-7:20 p.m. (Approx.) -- Start 15-minute pre-game warm-up for 2nd game on scoreboard clock
7:20 p.m. (Approx.) -- When 15-minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem
7:23-7:26 p.m. (Approx.) – Introduction of players and coaches
7:27 p.m. (Approx.) – Tournament Game Tip-off

3) Super-Sectionals:

6:40 p.m. (Approx.) -- Start 15-minute pre-game warm-up on scoreboard clock

6:55 p.m. (Approx.) -- When 15-minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem

6:57-7:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches

7:00 p.m. (Approx.) -- Tournament Game Tip-off

4) State Final Tournaments

Class 1A & 2A
Friday, March 11, 2016

(Semifinal Games)
Afternoon Session (Class 1A semifinals)
Game 1—12:00 p.m.
Game 2—1:45 p.m. (Approx.)
Evening Session (Class 2A semifinals)
Game 3—6:30 p.m.
Game 4—8:15 p.m. (Approx.)

Saturday, March 12, 2016
Class 1A finals session
Game 5—12:00 p.m.—Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2 **(Third place)**
Game 6—1:45 p.m. (Approx.)—Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 **(Class 1A Championship)**
Class 2A finals session
Game 7—6:30 p.m.—Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4 **(Third Place)**
Game 8—8:15 p.m.—Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 **(Class 2A Championship)**

Class 3A & 4A
Friday, March 18, 2016

(Semifinal Games)
Afternoon Session (Class 3A semifinals)
Game 1—12:00 p.m.
Game 2—1:45 p.m. (Approx.)
Evening Session (Class 4A semifinals)
Game 3—6:30 p.m.
Game 4—8:15 p.m. (Approx.)

Saturday, March 19, 2016
Class 3A finals session
Game 5—12:00 p.m.—Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2 **(Third Place)**
Game 6—1:45 p.m. (Approx.)—Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 **(Class 3A Championship)**
Class 4A finals session
Game 7--6:30 p.m.--Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4 **(Third Place)**
Game 8--8:15 p.m.--Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 **(Class 4A Championship)**

C. Sessions:

1) Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A <u>Regional</u> Tournaments:

a) Class 1A & 2A

1) After the opening night has been determined, no team will be required to play on three successive nights.

2) The two semifinal games shall be played on the same night or as single games on succeeding nights.

b) Class 3A & 4A

1) Regional quarterfinal games will be played on Monday.

2) The upper bracket Regional semifinal games will be played on Tuesday and the lower bracket semifinal games will be played on Wednesday.

3.)Regional managers may wish to play two (2) games on one (1) night. If a manager wishes to utilize this option, it is preferred that the two (2) games be played on Tuesday night. This is permissible if, in the opinion of the local manager, seating facilities are adequate to accommodate the spectators in two sessions. Prior to scheduling, the local manager must request permission from the IHSA office.

2) The Regional championship games will be played on Friday night.

3) Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A <u>Sectional</u> Tournaments:

a) Sectionals will begin on Tuesday night, with single semi-final games being played on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

b) Sectional managers may wish to play two (2) games on one (1) night. If a manager wishes to utilize this option, the two (2) games must be played on Tuesday night. This is permissible if, in the opinion of the local manager, seating facilities are adequate to accommodate the spectators in two sessions. Prior to scheduling, the local manager must request permission from the IHSA office.

c) The championship game will be played on Friday night.

4) Class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A <u>Super-Sectionals:</u>

a) Class 1A & 2A Super-Sectional games will be played on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. Class 3A & 4A Super-Sectional games will be played on Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

Note: Every session in the Class 1A, 2A, 3A, & 4A tournament series shall begin with the National Anthem.

D. Playing Schedules:

No local manager is authorized to change the order of games as determined by the system adopted and announced by the IHSA Office. Games must be played as listed from top to bottom on the official schedule unless otherwise specifically indicated or a change is approved by the Executive Director.

VII. ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS

A. Class 1A-4A: The winners of the thirty-two (32) regional tournaments shall advance to eight (8) sectional tournaments consisting of four teams each. The winners of the eight (8) sectional tournaments shall advance to four (4) super-sectional matches consisting of two teams each. The winners of the four (4) super-sectional tournaments shall advance to the state final tournament.

VIII. TOURNAMENT RULES

A. Tournament Officials

1. Officials for all tournaments will be assigned through the IHSA Office.

2. In all tournaments, the decisions of the officials shall be final. The Board of Directors will not review decisions of officials, whether alleged errors are due to faulty judgment or misinterpretation of the rules.

(**Note:** Detailed information regarding assignment of officials will be posted on the IHSA Schools Center to all schools that are hosting a tournament approximately one week in advance of the tournament's start.)

B. Squad Designation:

It is recommended that team rosters be forwarded to the host school. It is not required to designate a roster of 15 players.

C. Players in Team Uniform:

In each of the tournament games, a participating school shall not have more than fifteen (15) eligible participants in uniform. This includes the warm-up for each game and at half-time.

D. Uniforms:

In order to avoid possible confusion, each participating school should have two sets of shirts of different colors for its team. One set should be white and the other a dark color. All uniforms must conform to the requirements given in Rule 3-4 of the National Federation Basketball Rules.

1) The teams listed on the top line of the single-game playing bracket shall wear white uniforms and will be considered the home team. The team listed on the bottom line shall wear dark uniforms and will be considered the visiting team. In the Super-Sectional games, the two teams will be listed according to the Sectional centers from which each has advanced.

2) Responsibility of Official Scorer and Head Coaches--The Official Scorer must secure from the head coach of each team in each game of the tournament series the head coach's signature in the official scorebook just prior to the start of each game, thus confirming that the official scorebook is correct regarding players' numbers.

E. Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

Managers and officials have instructions to disqualify any player or coach guilty of profane or indecent language or of gross unsportsmanlike conduct.

IHSA By-Law 2.040 gives the Board of Directors complete authority to penalize a school or individual(s) for any unsportsmanlike

conduct on the part of the principal, the coach, players or any member of the faculty or Board of Education, or any other official representative of any participating school. This authority will definitely be exercised by the Board of Directors.

F. Balls:

The Wilson Evolution WTB0516 ball shall be used in the State Tournament games. Balls for the tournament series are being provided by the Wilson and only Wilson balls may be used.

G. Rules of Play:

The Official Basketball Rules as published by the National Federation of State High School Associations are adopted as official for the tournament series.

1) In all tournament games, the local tournament manager shall determine the team benches prior to the team warm-up period. Pre-game practice and the first-half basket for each team shall be the one further from its assigned bench.

2) At the State Final Tournament, team benches will be assigned prior to the warm up period for each game.

3) If for any reason gymnasiums or other conditions seem to make any rule modifications desirable, the local manager must communicate with the IHSA Office before announcing such modification. Interpretations and modifications of existing rules as outlined in the various state-sponsored meetings shall be rigidly adhered to.

4) In all tournament games, the referee shall sign the official scorebook at the conclusion of the game at either the scorer's bench or in the officials' locker room. If in the officials' locker room, the signing must be done in the presence of the host manager or his/her designee and the official scorer.

5) In order to maintain the integrity of the playing surface and protect competitors, local managers of all tournament contests must create a safe zone along each baseline that will be devoid of any persons (such as cheerleaders or media personnel) or other obstructions. This safe area will extend three (3) feet from the baseline towards the facility's back wall, stage, or bleachers.

H. State Final Game Time-outs:

For all televised games during the State Finals, three (3) 60-second time-outs and two (2) 30-second time-outs may be charged to each team during a regulation game. Each team is entitled to one additional 60-second time-out during each extra period. Unused time-outs may accumulate and may be used at any time.

IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES

A. Presale Tickets:

1) Host schools must provide presale tickets to schools competing in Regional finals, Sectional semifinals and finals, and Super Sectionals (if hosted by a member school), if requested to do so by a competing team.

2) Competing teams are responsible for all of the presale tickets they are given. All unsold tickets must be returned to the host at least three (3) hours prior to game time.

Regional final: Requests for presale tickets at the Regional finals must be made by Monday, February 22 for Class 1A & 2A and Monday, February 29 for Class 3A & 4A.

Sectional semifinals and finals: Requests for presale tickets at the Sectional semifinals and finals must be made to the Sectional Manager by Friday, February 26, 2016 for Class 1A & 2A and Friday, March 4, 2016, for Class 3A & 4A.

3) See the ticket distribution plan for Super-Sectional information.

B. All-Star Teams:

No officers of the tournament, game officials or anyone serving under the supervision of the Illinois High School Association may cooperate in any way in the selection of an all-star tournament team.

C. Consolation Games:

In the Regional and Sectional tournaments, consolation games will not be permitted to determine third place winners.

D. State Final Passes:

For the State Final Tournament games, each Super-Sectional winner will receive:

1) a maximum of twenty-two (22) passes for its players and other team personnel

2) twelve (12) passes for cheerleaders and one (1) for mascot upon request by member school in advance of the State Finals.

3) one (1) pass for the cheerleader coach

4) one (1) state final event pass to properly licensed medical personnel for each team participating in the state final. The pass would be available for either a licensed (i.e., certified) athletic trainer or team physician. This individual must be listed on the school's State Final Program Information.

E. Bands:

Schools hosting an IHSA State Series Basketball Tournament may invite their high school pep band to perform during the tournament. However, it should be noted that the host school band is performing as the official band of the tournament and must remain neutral at all times. Failure to comply with this provision shall cause the band to be excluded from the remainder of the tournament.

Members of the pep band may be given free admission to the tournament. No band or performing groups other than the one from the host school shall be allowed to perform at the tournament.

F. Artificial Noisemakers:

All artificial noise-making devices shall be excluded from the gymnasium. The use of band instruments shall be limited as explained in "E" above. Refer to National Federation Rules Book Rule 1, Section 18.

Tournament managers should not permit spectators to bring megaphones into the gymnasium for cheering purposes. Cheerleaders may use megaphones for cheering purposes.

G. Signs and Banners:

The display of signs, banners, placards or similar items at IHSA state series events is permitted, provided:

1) they are in good taste and reflect good sportsmanship in their message and use;

2) they reflect identification and encouragement to participants and their school/community;

3) they are not displayed on the field of play or in a manner which interferes with play;

4) they do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators; and

5) they are not safety hazards.

H. Cheerleader/Mascot:

A maximum of twelve (12) cheerleaders and one (1) mascot in costume may be on the floor at any state series contest.

I. Damage to Property and Equipment:

If contestants or people from any school entered in a state series are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host school, such school shall be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

J. Practice Sessions:

1) In the Regional, Sectional and Super-Sectional Tournaments, the host school shall not make its gymnasium available to the visiting team for practice sessions. When a part of the state series is played at a facility other than a member school's facility, none of the teams entered, including a hosting member school, shall be permitted to practice at the facility during the time of the state series.

2) However, schools competing in the State Finals will be permitted one (1) thirty-minute (30) practice session at Carver Arena as scheduled by the IHSA.

3) In the Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional and State Final Tournaments, fifteen

(15) uninterrupted clock minutes shall be provided for pre-game warm-up. Players may not be on the floor for warm-up prior to the designated time. Floor officials must be on the floor when the pre-game warm-up period begins.

K. Media Requirements:

1) Provide Space:

Space shall be set aside to provide for news media representatives covering the state series whether they are from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

2) Radio and TV Originators:

It is the responsibility of the Local Manager to accept applications, approve requests to originate, collect proper rights fees payment (where required) and make cancellation refunds for television and/or radio play-by-play originations, according to the IHSA Television and/or IHSA Radio Broadcast Policy.

a) Television Rights Fees for all levels of competition below the State Final level shall be paid to the host school and shall become part of the revenue to be shared by the member school(s) and the Association according to the financial terms stipulated in these Terms and Conditions.

b) Radio Broadcast Rights Fees are not required for any level of competition in this series (except State Final). Local Managers shall permit radio play-by-play originations of the competition.

c) Television and/or Radio Stations which do not apply in advance, or which do not pay required rights fees prior to the start of competition in each respective level in this state series, shall not be given credentials nor allowed access to the facility to originate. Sponsors of the originations for television and radio shall be only those so stipulated in the respective IHSA Television and Broadcast policies.

3) Administrative Detail:

Reporting information to the news media and/or the IHSA Office, as stipulated in instructions to Local Managers, shall be the responsibility of each Local Manager and is required.

L. Videotaping by Schools or Spectators:

Videotaping will be allowed provided the local manager has a comparable area for both competing schools to videotape. When one school requests the video space, then the local manager shall provide similar space to both competing schools. Non competing schools and spectators will be allowed to videotape games from the stands, provided they do not obstruct the view of participants and spectators.

M. Tobacco/Liquid Nicotine Products:

The use of tobacco or liquid nicotine products in any competition area, either during a practice or while a contest is in progress, or affiliated property of any IHSA state series contest by any coach, player, any other person connected with a team, or fan shall be prohibited. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, tobacco/liquid nicotine free zones on the date or dates of any IHSA event being held at the site.

N. Use of inhalers:

A student with asthma may possess and use his/her medication during an IHSA competition, while under the supervision of school personnel, provided the school meets the outlined procedures of self administration in the Illinois school code.

O. Alcoholic Beverages and IHSA State Series Events:

The possession, distribution, sale and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the site and on any affiliated property of any IHSA state series contest. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, alcohol free zones on the date or dates of any IHSA event being held at the site. Violation of this policy by an event host will subject the host to a penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Such penalty may include, but not necessarily be limited to, prohibition against subsequent event hosting assignments. Violation of this policy by a non-hosting member school will subject the school to penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Patrons of any IHSA state series contest determined to be in violation of this policy will be removed from the premise, and law enforcement officials will be called as warranted. No ticket refunds will be granted in such cases.

P. Prayer at IHSA State Series Contests: Prayer at an IHSA state series contest that takes place over the public address system is prohibited.

Q. State Final Team Reimbursements:

1) In the State Final Tournament, the teams participating in the tournament shall be allowed transportation expenses at the rate of $5.00 per mile per team for the first 50 miles, and $3.00 per mile per team for each mile beyond 50 miles to and from the site where the tournament will be played. In addition, each school will receive a reimbursement to cover some the costs incurred by schools at the State Final. The IHSA will reserve a block of rooms for teams competing at the state finals for their use if they so choose. Any expenses or costs associated or charged to the rooms will be at each school's expense.

Round Trip Mileage to State Final Site	Flat Rate Reimbursement
0-150 miles	$2,500.00
151-300 miles	$3,600.00
301-over miles	$4,400.00

2) Neither the State Association nor the tournament management will assume responsibility for unusual or extraordinary expenses. Individual schools entering the tournaments must be ready themselves to assume responsibility for unusual expenses due to accident, inclement weather, fire, theft or any other extraordinary cause.

3) The tournament management does not guarantee any portion of team expenses except as specified above. The payment of the above schedule of expenses is contingent upon adequate receipts in any individual tournament. Participating schools should be sure to take to the tournament adequate funds to meet all team expenses. Expense allowances cannot be paid to the schools until after the Executive Director has approved them.

X. AWARDS

A. Regional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Regional

B. Sectional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Sectional

C. Super-Sectional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Super-Sectional.

D. State Final:

1. A trophy will be awarded to teams finishing first, second, third and fourth places in the State Final Tournament.

2. A total of twenty-two (22) medallions will be presented to the schools of the first four placing teams at the State Final Tournament. In addition, the superintendent, principal, the athletic director and a certified athletic trainer or team physician, provided one is listed on the school's State Final Program Information, will be presented with a medallion. No other trophies or awards of any kind may be presented in the tournament series. Only twenty-two (22) team/school representatives, the superintendent, principal, the athletic director and certified athletic trainer or team physician, may participate in the awards presentation.

These awards will be furnished by the State Association and are not an expense charge upon the individual tournament.

XI. OFFICIALS

A. Appointment and Fees:

1. Regional tournaments: Three (3) officials will be assigned to each tournament game. In tournament sessions where two (2) games are scheduled, the IHSA Office may assign an official more than one (1) game per session. Each official shall receive a fee of $67.50 per game.

2. Sectional tournaments: Three (3) officials will be assigned to each tournament game. In tournament sessions where two (2) games are scheduled, the IHSA Office may assign an official more than one (1) game per session. Each official shall receive a fee of $84.00 per game.

3. Super-Sectional games: Three (3) officials will be assigned to each tournament game. In tournament sessions where two (2) games are scheduled, the IHSA Office may assign an official more than one (1) game per session. Each official shall be allowed a fee of $114.00 per game.

4. State Final Tournament: Each appointed official should receive a fee of $150.00 per game plus up to three (3) nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator and thirty cents ($.30) per mile for each mile over 70 miles for one round trip. The Head Official will be paid $125.00 per day and up to three (3) nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator.

B. Mileage Reimbursement Policy

In the state series, to assist officials for out-of-pocket expenses, a voucher system will be used to compensate officials when they drive in excess of 70 miles round trip per contest. Payment will be made through the IHSA Office, after completion of the tournament series, at a rate of thirty cents ($.30) per mile for all mileage in excess of 70 miles round trip. No compensation will be permitted for trips of less than 70 miles round trip.