

Referee Eligibility, Expectations, and Responsibilities

Eligibility

- Anyone wishing to participate in BYBA as a referee must register via the BYBA website. YOU MUST REGISTER TO BE AN ELIGIBLE BYBA REFEREE, there are no exceptions. Depending on the number of registrants, not all students may be chosen. We try to achieve a balanced roster among the high school grades and can only accommodate a certain number of referees based on the number of games we have each week.
- You must be a Belmont resident or attend the Belmont Public Schools and be in grades 9 through 12 to be eligible as a student referee.
- New referees are required to attend two training sessions before the start of the season. Returning referees must attend one training session. If you do not attend the required training sessions, you will not be placed on the schedule.

Responsibilities

- You are here to maintain safe and fair play. You are not to tolerate, instigate nor be involved in any disputes with coaches, parents or players. Should a coach, parent or player argue, belittle, or show aggressive behavior to you, please immediately bring it to the attention of the coordinator. BYBA has a zero tolerance policy towards any aggressive behavior.

Tools

- Each referee will be supplied with the following items:
 - BYBA referee shirt;
 - Whistle;
 - Wrist band; and
 - BYBA Rules and Regulations.

Scheduling/Attendance

- You are expected to show up when you are scheduled to referee. It is your responsibility to check the referee schedule each week. The schedule is available each week by Monday night.

- If you have a commitment on any given Saturday during the hours of 8:30 to 4:30 you must communicate it to the Referee Coordinator IN ADVANCE of the schedule being released (i.e. before Monday evening) so that you are not scheduled during the time that you are unavailable. Repeated failures to communicate your schedule in a timely manner to the Referee Coordinator is grounds for permanent removal from the referee roster.
- If you have a conflict at the time you are scheduled to referee, you may switch your assigned game with another referee. IF YOU SWITCH A GAME YOU MUST COMMUNICATE IT TO THE REFEREE COORDINATOR.
- If you are unable to attend your assigned game and you are unable to switch your game with someone else, you must notify the referee coordinator by the Wednesday night before your game. Late notifications will result in your removal from the schedule for one week.
- IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR FOR YOUR ASSIGNED GAME, YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SCHEDULE FOR TWO WEEKS.
- IF THERE IS A SECOND FAILURE TO APPEAR WHEN SCHEDULED, YOU WILL BE PERMANENTLY DROPPED FROM THE REFEREE ROSTER.
- We understand that emergencies happen and sometimes you get sick. The key is communication. You must communicate with the referee coordinator BEFORE your scheduled game if you are unable to attend your assigned game. Violations of the attendance policy will be addressed on a case by case basis.

Expectations

- Report to your assigned game 15 minutes prior to start time and check in with the BYBA coordinator.
- Come to each game with your referee shirt, whistle, and wrist band prepared to pay attention and engage with the young players.
- Fully understand the rules of the BYBA program.
- Stopwatches will be provided for each game by the onsite BYBA coordinator. Make sure to return the stopwatch at the end of the game.
- Referees are responsible for tracking alternating jump ball possessions using their wristbands.
- Assure that all games start on time. One late start will set the whole day behind.

- Assure that all players are wearing their BYBA jersey. Should a player not have a jersey you are to see a BYBA coordinator.
- Bring your completed time card to the game and have it signed by the onsite coordinator. Don't ask him/her to sign a blank form. Don't submit forms other than the Referee Payment Voucher that is available on the BYBA website. Failure to provide the required information on any substitute form will result in non-payment for that game.

Payment

- Referees are paid \$18.00 per game. If you referee a game alone, you will be paid \$25.00. You must indicate on your payment voucher if you reffed a game alone.
- You will be paid twice during the season. Once around the end of the calendar year and again at the end of the BYBA season. If your calendar year end check is less than \$50.00, you will be paid only once at the end of the BYBA season.
- The Referee Coordinator will let you know when checks are mailed.