

CENTRAL STATE CATHOLIC BASKETBALL LEAGUE BOYS & GIRLS REGULATIONS

(Revised 11/2016)

1. **LEAGUE NAME and OBJECTIVES:** The name of the league is the Central State Catholic Basketball League. Hereafter named CSCBL. **The objectives are to present a healthy and wholesome opportunity to extend, foster and develop athletics through the principles of good sportsmanship and fair play.**

2. **CHAMPIONSHIPS & AWARDS:** The league will be run as one division, with each team playing each other twice in league competition, once at home and once away. All games count towards the final overall standings. Championships shall be determined on the basis of these overall standings. A plaque will be made for the top finishing team in each division. This plaque will be permanently displayed at the school. **Plate engraving beyond the 1st championship becomes the schools responsibility.** Individual trophies will be awarded to the players on the top two finishing teams in the Boys & Girls, A & B Team divisions. **The league secretary/treasurer orders and delivers the medals and plaques (if needed) to the tournament. The league pays for league awards only.**

3. **FEES:** There will be a \$60.00 League Fee per team (A & B only) from each school, payable to the Central State Catholic Basketball League and sent to the league Secretary/Treasurer by the start of the first scheduled league games. This fee merges the league and tournament fees together. The fee is to cover the cost of the awards for the regular season and the tournaments (provided by the host schools), plus league correspondence. Failure to have the league fee into the league Secretary/Treasurer before the first scheduled game will result in forfeiture of all games until the fees are paid.

4. **MEETINGS:** There will be two league meetings each year: the spring meeting will be held the first Wednesday following the B-tournament in Feb. The fall meeting will be held the 1st Sunday after practice begins, in November. The meetings will be open to all coaches and school representatives from each school in the league, and any new schools interested in joining the league.

5. **OFFICERS:** There will be a President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer. The officers will be elected every 4 years at the annual Spring Meeting. The President is in charge of heading the league meetings and is the person to whom all violations of rules and complaints should be directed.

6. **RULE VIOLATIONS:** In the case of a CSCBL rule violation by a school, the President will be notified. Notification shall be given within **48 hours** after the alleged violation has occurred. If the violation seems viable, the President will draw, by lot, three coaches' names who are not involved in the dispute. They will act as the deciding force and pass judgment as to forfeiture or penalty.
TECHNICAL, FLAGRANT FOULS, EJECTIONS committed by both players and coaches: The **first** technical of the season will be reported by a phone call after the game to the League President, **Bruce Kaufman, 920-344-1354 and to the Pastor or School Principal.** A **second** technical will result in a two game suspension; and a **third** technical will result in suspension for the season. An **Incident Report Sheet** needs to be filled out by a school administrator, CSCBL representative, game official AD, or coach with the details of the incident. This form is available on

the league website. The penalty for second and third technical fouls will be subject to an appeal process to a grievance board (as outlined above). **Penalties for technical fouls committed during the league tournaments will carry over to the following season.**

7. **SCORE NOTIFICATION:** Scores are to be entered into our CSCBL web-site. It is the responsibility of each coach to enter their scores no later than 2 days after the game has been played.

8. **GENERAL RULES:** CSCBL will follow WIAA basketball rules in addition to our CSCBL regulations. CSCBL rules as well as policies for the Diocese of Madison **will apply for all CSCBL league and tournament games.** CSCBL rules do not change for tournaments, all league rules still apply in tournament play.

9. **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:**

(a) Any player enrolled in the 8th grade or lower grades and not yet 15 years of age on the 31st of August shall be eligible.

(b) Only students, who attend the school or students, whose parents belong to the parish and are enrolled in the parish CCD program shall be allowed to play on the team.

****NOTE:** Each school shall inform the League of the policy they are following for the coming year at the annual Fall Meeting.

(c) No 7th or 8th grader will be allowed to play on the B-Teams.

(d) Any player whose name appears on the A-Team Roster may only play on the A-Team, and any Player whose name appears on the B-Team Roster may only play on the B-Team. Any roster Changes must be made by January 1st. The roster as of January 1st will be the team's tournament roster. However, a new student, who moves into the parish, can play anytime upon notification to the League President.

(e) **By mutual agreement of both coaches, and only under special circumstances, Rule 9(d) may be waived. If this rule is to be waived, the following guidelines should be used:**

1) No player shall be permitted to play in more than 6 quarters of the combined A and B team games. There are no minimum or maximum team sizes. Coaches and AD's are expected to create teams that are able to meet competition schedules/expectations.

Waiver Rule

9 (d) is to be used **only** as a last resort for unforeseen conflicts (illness, injury) and with the mutual consent of both coaches.

2) If a player has played in four (4) quarters of the B-Team game, then that player will not be eligible to play until the second half of the A-Team game.

(f) No player that has played, or plans to play on any other school basketball team before, during, or after the C.S.C.B.L. season, in any given school year, will be allowed to play.

(g) A player must play in at least 50% of the league games in order to participate in the league tournament, unless the games that were missed were due to injury.

10. **LEAGUE SEASON:** Basketball season begins with practices starting the week following our volleyball tournament (1st week in Nov), through mid-Feb, each year. **No basketball games will be scheduled until after Thanksgiving weekend.** The League Season begins officially with the first scheduled league games. The League Season ends upon completion of the teams' participation in the League Tournament.

11. **TEAM ROSTERS:** Each of the member schools shall submit a separate roster for the Boys A-Team, Girls A-Team, Boys B-Team, and Girls B-Team. If a school intends on fielding a Boys or Girls C-Team, separate rosters should be sent to the League for these teams also. Each roster must have the **NAME, BIRTHDAY, AGE as of August 31st, and the GRADE of each player.** **Rosters sent by e-mail from the**

principal's primary school address directly to the league president will be counted as "signed by the principal". Rosters must be turned into the League President before the first scheduled League games. **Failure to have the rosters in by this time will result in forfeiture of all games until the rosters are in.** Any new team members must be registered with the League President's office 48 hours before they play in any league game. Any and all changes to the rosters must complete by January 1st. The roster as of January 1st will be the team's tournament roster.

There are no minimum or maximum number of players required for the A and B teams. Coaches and AD's are expected to create teams able to meet competition schedules/expectations. It is the school/coaches choice as to how the teams will be split.

12. **SCHEDULED GAME TIMES:** Official league games will be played on Saturdays, plus a limited number of Sundays, and weeknight games with neighboring schools for scheduling purposes. The first game shall begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays if all teams are playing, and 12:00 p.m. on Sundays. Weeknight games will start at 4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. with a minimum 1 or max 3 games played. The new timeline (2010) is as follows: 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays. Sunday game times: 1:00 p.m., 2:15 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. The order of play shall be: 1) Girls B-Teams; 2) Boys B-Teams; 3) Girls A-Teams; and 4) Boys A-Teams. **At the B-level, there is a minimum of 10 minutes and a max of 15 min.** between games.

****By mutual agreement between the participating schools, starting times and order of play maybe changed.**

13. **TEAM READINESS:** Failure to have your team ready to play, at the starting time of the first scheduled game, will result in forfeiture by the failing team, unless there is notification. Failure to have your team ready to play 15 minutes after the conclusion of the previous game will also result in forfeiture by the failing team. Flagrant tardiness will be acted upon by the League. Special circumstances should be brought to the attention of the League President for a decision.

14. **PLAYING TIME:** The **Diocese of Madison Policy Handbook** states that a goal to be attained is **"each player will play a minimum of ¼ of the total game"**, CSCBL has adopted this into our rules. **There are situations that arise that may negate this and coaches are asked to make the opposing coach and the referee, scorekeeper etc. aware of special circumstances prior to the start of the game.** These include, but are not limited to: injury, academic ineligibility and restricted play due to behavioral problems, lack of attendance at practices etc. **We would ask that these players sit on the team bench wear the teams jersey and the rest of what they wear are street clothes, so that they are differentiated from active players. We would ask that the coaches also make their administrator aware of these situations so if questions arise the school and its administration have full knowledge of a player's situation. This will help minimize issues with other schools and their teams/coaches/parents as well as concerns within the school that has the non-participating student/athlete.**

15. **GAME POSTPONEMENTS:** The League President **must** be informed of **all** game postponements and the reasons prior to the scheduled date. Postponements due to the players having other commitments (i.e. volleyball games, club basketball) will not be allowed. **Prior to our league meeting in the fall, AD's are expected to provide dates of annual academic/extra-curricular commitments (i.e., choir concerts, science fairs, ski trips etc.) SCHOOLS THAT HAVE STUDENT ATHLETES FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PARISH PROGRAMS ON THEIR ROSTERS WILL NEED TO PROVIDE THE ABOVE COMMITMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS WELL.** Games may be re-scheduled **if an annual commitment was overlooked, on the condition that both teams can agree on an alternate date. If both teams are unable to resolve an alternate date, the team with the conflict will need to forfeit.** All games postponed due to weather conditions, or rescheduled for other reasons, that were originally scheduled for Saturday, should be made up on Sunday of the same weekend. If this is not possible, they must be made up within a 2 week time period. All games **must** be **"made up"**, **not cancelled.**

16. **LENGTH OF GAMES:** B-Teams: 6 minute quarters, with 1 minute between quarters and 6 minutes between halves. A-Teams: 7 minute quarters, with 1 minute between quarters and 7 minutes between halves. Overtimes: 3 minutes with 1 minute between overtime periods.
17. **15 POINT RULE (B & C TEAMS ONLY):** When the point spread in B & C Team games reaches 15 points, the subsequent procedures shall be followed: a) The Timer shall sound the horn and notify the officials and coaches that the 15 point spread has been reached.
b) **Only the leading team will be prohibited to use any type of press or trapping (double team) in the front or back court during all situations, until the said score goes under 11 points.**
***This rule applies to both League and Tournament games.
18. **20 POINT RULE (A TEAM ONLY):** When the point spread in A Team games reaches 20 points the subsequent procedures shall be followed:
a) The Timer shall sound the horn and notify the officials and coaches that the 20 point spread has been reached.
b) **Only the leading team will be prohibited to use any type of press or trapping (double team) in the front or back court during all situations, until the said score goes under 16 points.**
c) The team will be given one (1) warning regarding an illegal press. An automatic two (2) points are awarded to the opposing team if any additional calls are made regarding this situation.
***This rule applies to both League and Tournament games.
19. **FULL COURT PRESS RULE (B AND C TEAMS ONLY):** Pressing at the B level is only allowed in the last two minutes of each half. Once a turnover or defensive rebound is secured by the defense, the now defensive team must retreat to half court allowing the ball to be brought across half court. The defensive team must set up all defenses across half court on any dead ball or made basket situations. In addition, trapping is not allowed at the half court line outside of the last two minutes in each half. The team is given one (1) warning regarding an illegal press. An automatic two (2) points are awarded if any additional calls are made regarding this situation.
20. **MAN TO MAN DEFENSE:** Man to man defense will be played at the B level. No zone.
21. **MERCY RULE:** When the point differential reaches 30 points in the second half, the clock will go to running time. The clock will only be stopped for time-outs (team or official). If the differential drops below 30 points, clock still runs continuously until the game is over. This applies to A and B teams.
***This rule applies to both League and Tournament games.
22. **LEAGUE SCHEDULE:** The schedule shall be agreed to by the coaches prior to the start of the season, preferably at the Spring Meeting for the following season. Scheduled League games and the League Tournament games have priority in all cases. Lack of readiness is not an acceptable excuse for rescheduling a game. The deadline for team numbers, and gym conflicts is October 2nd, no exceptions.
23. **OFFICIALS:** The home team will provide two (2) W.I.A.A. Certified Officials. **Strive for varsity officials at the A level who are able to keep up with the pace of an A game. At the B level, strive for quality, educational officials.** Careful selection of officials helps ensure the safety of our student athletes. Both of the officials will be required to sign their names and numbers in the Official Score Book prior to the start of the game. No official shall be allowed to work more than three (3) games in one day during

league play, but two (2) games a day in the league tournament. **Game officials cannot be coaches or parents of children playing in the game.**

***Officials will be asked to complete an **Incident Report** in ink as needed to document technical fouls, inappropriate behavior etc. . The home team will submit the completed form to the League President within 48 hours.

24. **OFFICIAL SCORERS' TABLE:** The home team shall provide responsible individuals to keep time and score. An effort shall be made to have an adult handling the official score book and clock. If High School aged individuals are to be used, no outside distractions will be allowed. **Host schools NEED to have rules available at their scoring table. A laminated copy of page 3 and 4 of the regulations at the scorer's table provides a quick reference of the game rules for officials, etc.**

25. **SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY:** Each school, through its Pastor, Administrator, and Parish School Council, or equivalent, shall establish its own standards for scholastic work and conduct, and shall judge individual situations by these standards. Coaches shall notify opposing coaches before the start of the game if any players will be in uniform on the bench, but not eligible to play.

26. **UNIFORMS:** In the case of insufficient contrast between the colors of uniforms, the home team will be required to provide contrast.

27. **GAME BALLS:** The collegiate sized women's basketball shall be used for both Boys and Girls B-Team games and for the Girls A-Team game. The W.I.A.A. official sized men's basketball shall be used for all Boys A-Team games. All basketballs used for the games shall be N.F.I.D.A. approved balls.

28. **LEAGUE TOURNAMENT:** a) Every year there will be a tournament for each division in the league. The Boy's and Girl's A-Team tournaments will run concurrently at one site. Likewise, the Boys and Girls B-Team tournaments will run concurrently at another site.

b) All teams are required to participate in the League Tournament. Failure to participate may cause dismissal of your team from the league and paying any tournament expenses incurred by the host team (i.e. referees' fees).

c) The entry fee for each team in the tournament is \$30.00. These fees are to be sent to the league

d) Secretary/Treasurer. The Secretary/Treasurer will distribute the entry fees to the host schools prior to the tournaments.

e) The League Tournaments will be seeded according to final regular season standings. This seeding will come from the League President as soon as possible after all league regular season games are completed. Ties will be decided by head to head competition and then by a coin flip.

f) The dates of the League Tournaments shall be determined at the Annual Spring Meeting.

g) League regulations shall govern all tournament games.

h) The team roster as of January 1st shall be the team's Tournament Roster.

i)Tournament Locations:

All A-Teams will play in a combined Boys and Girls A-team Tournament at a host school determined by the rotation procedure below. Championship rounds for the A-Team Tournament should be played at a high school gym. All B-Teams will play in a combined Boys and Girls B-team Tournament at a host school determined by the rotation procedure below. **Tournament dates are confirmed at the Spring meeting. Host schools should secure a tournament location 6m+ in**

advance.

Procedure:

- 1) The school at the top of the list shall have the first choice in hosting the Tournament.
- 2) If the school at the top chooses NOT to host the Tournament, the first choice shall go to the next school on the list in the rotation. The declining school goes to the bottom of the list. This procedure will continue until a host school is found.
- 3) Any new schools entering the league shall be placed on the bottom of the list at the time they come into the league.
- 4) Rotation List (determined by lots at the 1986 Spring Meeting):
- 5) **Tournament brackets should include a 2 game minimum per team.**

j) Awards for the tournament are purchased by the host school and are as follows:

1st Place: All team members receive a 1st place medal. One 1st place trophy will be awarded for the trophy case.

2nd Place: All team players receive 2nd place medals. One 2nd place trophy will be awarded for the trophy case.

3rd Place: All team players receive 3rd place medals. No trophy is awarded.

Schools have the choice to host both the A and B tournament in one season, or can split it up over two years. Host school will need to express their tournament plans at the spring meeting. Rotation and tournament location will be updated as that info becomes available.

St. Katherine's is hosting A and B Tournament 2016-17

St. John's is hosting A and B 2017-18

St. Jerome's is hosting 2018-19

Watertown Catholic is hosting 2019-20

Saturday Mass Schedules

St. Jerome: 4:30 p.m.

St. John (St. Francis of Assisi): 5:30 p.m.

St. Katharine: 4:30 p.m.

Watertown Catholic (St. Henry 4:00 p.m.) and (St. Bernard 5:30 p.m.)