

CIAC BOYS BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MEETING
October 10, 2024

Agenda

1. Review and Approval of the September 10, 2024 Committee Minutes
2. Dedication Sub-Committee Recommendations
 - Tournament Dedication – Unified Sports/Bob Hale
 - Merit Award – Boys Coach – Reggie Tucker
 - Merit Award – Girls Coach – Bob McMahon
 - Merit Award – Officials –
 - Merit Award – Officials –
 - Special Merit Award – Chris Lindwall
 - Special Merit Award – Heidi Schmidt
 - Special Merit Award – Elaine Piazza
3. High School Showcase Recap
4. Divisions for the 2024-25 Season
 - Change in League Multipliers
 - ECC Proposal
5. Review and Updating of the 2024-25 Packet
6. Future Agenda Items

CIAC Boys Basketball Committee

Minutes

9/10/24

- 1) WELCOME - Mr. Simon welcomed everyone to the meeting which was held via zoom. Introductions were made for all members of the committee.
- 2) CIAC SPORT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES - The committee reviewed the CIAC Sport Committee Guidelines which were distributed to everyone.
- 3) MINUTES - The committee approved the minutes of the April 25, 2024 meeting.
- 4) FINANCES - Mr. Simon distributed the financial balance sheet and reviewed it with the committee. We are going to have to keep an eye on the expenses and revenue from Mohegan Sun.
- 5) SHOT CLOCK - Mr. Scavone talked about the success of using the shot clock last year. Overall it was good. We need to re-educate clock operators and new shot clock operators. Several clinics have been set up. Discussion occurred on the closely guarded rule.
- 6) SHOWCASE RECAP -Move to October Meeting
- 7) JIGGS CECCHINI HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CLASSIC - Mohegan could not accommodate our schedule this year.
- 8) DEDICATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING - Is Tuesday, Oct 8, 2024
- 9) DIVISIONS - Mr. Simon reviewed the number of schools who were in each division and how many of those qualified for the tournament last year. The committee discussed the structure of divisions for the boys' tournament and agreed upon D1 16 D2 27 D3 40 D4 39 D50
- 10) The committee reviewed the possibility of adjusting the league multipliers.
- 11) The committee reviewed the ECC Proposal but felt that the committee needed to consider any changes to the league multiplier first.

Proposal to CIAC Boys Basketball Committee

Submitted by the Eastern Connecticut Conference

The Eastern Connecticut Conference is requesting that the CIAC Boys' Basketball Committee look at our conference as two leagues within one when adding the league multiplier for state tournament classification. Currently, the CIAC formula uses a multiplier (x2) for all 19 Eastern Connecticut Conference schools. We feel this is not equitable, nor fair, for all of our league member schools. We break our league into four divisions and we also hold two postseason tournaments due to the disparity of size and competitiveness within our league. There is a huge gap between our Division 1 and Division 2 schools when comparing them to our Division 3 and Division 4 schools. They should not be weighted in the same manner by our state association when classifying schools for post season play.

Our request is that schools that compete in Division 1 and Division 2 of the ECC will fall under the multiplier (x2) currently utilized by the CIAC basketball committee for state tournament alignment. However, we ask that schools that compete in Division 3 and Division 4 of the ECC fall under the multiplier (x1) that is more appropriate for these schools. We feel this will go a long way into placing our league member schools into the appropriate classification for post season play at the state level.

In the 2023-24 state tournament, our Division 3 and Division 4 member schools have played against schools twice or even three times larger in school enrollment and regular season schedules that do not compare in competitiveness. A simple change in how our league is calculated at the state level will prove dividends for all involved. If our Division 3 and Division 4 schools were all in the (x1) multiplier, they would have been classified differently this year and their opponents in the state tournament would have been more appropriate for their level of play.

Each year, the ECC re-aligns based on enrollment, strength of program, returning student-athletes within that program and other variables to form competitive schedules and fair divisions for our league member schools. To ensure appropriate timing, the CIAC boys' basketball committee will have our league alignment well in advance for classification purposes. Our ECC alignment for the 2024-25 boys basketball season is completed. Our suggestion when putting your state classifications together for 2024-25 based on our alignment:

Division 1 and Division 2 (CIAC x2 multiplier): St. Bernard, NFA, Fitch, New London, East Lyme, Waterford, Windham, Woodstock Academy, Killingly.

Division 3 and Division 4 (CIAC x1 multiplier): Ledyard, Montville, Griswold, Stonington, Plainfield, Tourtellotte, Putnam, Wheeler, Bacon Academy, Lyman Memorial

If you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out. Thank you for your consideration.

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THE BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION IS ARRANGED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.0 Divisions
- 2.0 Sites / Dates / Times
- 3.0 Entry Procedures
- 4.0 Expenses / Tickets
- 5.0 Forfeits
- 6.0 Officials
- 7.0 Protests
- 8.0 Qualifying
- 9.0 Ranking / Seeding
- 10.0 Supervision / Sportsmanship
- 11.0 Tournament Rules / Procedures

- Appendix A Schedule Form
- Appendix B Site Form for Qualifying, First, Second Round and Quarter-final Games
- Appendix C Officials Forms
- Appendix D Entry Form
- Appendix E Sportsmanship Statement
- Appendix F Memorandum to All Site Directors
- Appendix G Certifications / Coaching Certifications
- Appendix H From the Archives

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ALERT PAGE

- **(NEW) – Closely Guarded Rule** – 9-10-1a NOTE, 4-10: Allows state associations to adopt a modification to the closely guarded rule if they have adopted the 35-second shot clock, allowing players to dribble the ball for more than five seconds while closely guarded and maintain that a player may not hold the ball for five or more seconds.
Rationale: Permits states utilizing the 35-second shot clock to allow players to dribble without enforcing the closely guarded rule since they have a 35-second time limit to attempt a try for goal, maintaining an appropriate pace of play.
- **(NEW) – Uniform Rule** –
 - (1) All team members must wear jerseys of the same, single, solid color.
 - (2) The torso color of the home team’s jersey must be white and the torso of the visiting team’s jersey must be a contrasting dark color (exceptions are made, with notice to the respective assignment commissioners for holidays, remembrances, cancer awareness week, etc.)
 - (3) The jersey numbers cannot be the same color as the jersey.
 - (4) Team rosters cannot have both 0 and 00.
- **Coach Disqualification Rule** – All coaches who are disqualified at any level will be suspended for the next two games (see page 104) in the CIAC Handbook), take two NFHS coaching courses (“Teaching and Modeling Behavior” and “Sportsmanship”) and the school will pay a \$50 fine. In addition to the two-game suspension and fine, the CIAC reserves the right to review any incident that results in a coach’s disqualification and may assess additional game suspensions up to and including a one-year ban. The fine and proof of taking the coaching courses must be submitted to the CIAC office before the coach can resume his coaching responsibilities.
- **Player Technical Foul** – Beginning with the 2023-24 basketball season, a player that receives a technical foul will be directed to leave the game. The administration of this CIAC policy will be modeled after NFHS rule 3-3-4, which states in part that “...a player directed to leave the game shall not re-enter before the next opportunity to substitute after the clock has started properly following the player’s replacement.” In other words, a player that receives a technical foul must leave the game and cannot return until time has run off the clock. A coach will have the normal 15 seconds to replace the player who received the technical foul.

A few situations to consider:

- After a player is directed to leave the game for receiving a technical foul, a timeout does not nullify the penalty of “sitting a tick” for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.
 - If a player receives a technical foul during the dead ball period prior to or during the administration of free throws, the free throws do not nullify the penalty of “sitting a tick” for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.
 - If a player receives a technical after the expiration of time to end a quarter, half, or extra period, the dead ball period between the **end** of the quarter, half, or extra period and the **beginning** of the next quarter, half, or extra period does not nullify the penalty of “sitting a tick” for the player. The player may not start the next quarter or extra period because the clock must start before the player can return.
 - If a player receives a technical foul prior to or during the dead ball period that an injured player is being attended to, the time it takes for the injured player to be safely moved from the playing court does not nullify the penalty of “sitting a tick” for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.
- **35 Second Shot Clock** – BEGINNING WITH THE 2023-24 SEASON, THE USE OF A 35 SECOND SHOT CLOCK IN GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL IS ONLY MANDATORY AT THE VARSITY LEVEL AND IS OPTIONAL AT THE JV AND FRESHMAN LEVELS. AN ADULT MUST RUN THE SHOT CLOCK AT THE VARSITY LEVEL BUT IS NOT MANDATORY FOR AN ADULT TO RUN THE SHOT CLOCK AT THE JV AND FRESHMAN LEVELS.

- **Site for Girls and Boys Basketball Finals** -- The finals will be held at the Mohegan Sun Arena on Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 16, 2025. The schedule of games will be announced.
- **Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC Board of Control. Cancellation of any regular season contest / make-up to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.**
- **In the interest of crowd control and proper supervision the CIAC Board of Control has approved the tournament regulation requiring the principal of the participating schools or his/her designee to attend all tournament games. The school administrator should identify him/herself to the site director.**
- **NOTE:** The CIAC Boys and Girls Basketball Committees voted to adopt video replay for the FINAL GAMES OF THE TOURNAMENT ONLY and only in facilities that have official video equipment and replay capabilities. Video replay will only be used on the final shot of the quarter, half or end of the game when the official needs to confirm if the point was scored before time elapsed and/or if the point was a two or three point shot.
- **The CIAC 2025 Boys Basketball Championships will be played using five (5) Divisions** – The Board of Control approved the committee placing schools in five divisions using a series of factors including enrollment, success in CIAC tournament play, strength of the league and power points for each team (determined by the sum of wins of defeated opponents – one point for each of their wins). All Division I schools will automatically qualify for the 2025 championships and Divisions II – V must win 40% of their games to qualify.

A school may “opt-up” to the Division I tournament for a one year period and must notify the CIAC by November 4, 2024. Divisions II, III, IV and V will not be rebalanced if schools opt to move up.

- **Tournament Site Selection** – **THE CIAC BASKETBALL COMMITTEE AND TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MOVE ANY GAME TO A NEUTRAL LARGER SITE FOR SAFETY REASONS AND TO ACCOMMODATE ALL SPECTATORS AND MEDIA WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE GAME.**
- **Scrimmages** – Teams must have a minimum of three (3) days of practice prior to scheduling any interscholastic competition. All sports teams and individual athletes must have a minimum of ten (10) physical/exertional practice days with their school before the date of the first scheduled competition. No team/athlete shall practice/compete with their school more than six (6) consecutive days to provide a day of rest. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays may be used unless prohibited by local board policy. Sunday practices may be counted to fulfill the 10 day requirement.
- **Reporting Regular Season Scores** – In order to ensure that standings and rankings on both the CIAC’s websites and other sites which draw their data from us are timely and accurate, all regular season scores must be entered online on the day of the game as soon as possible following the game’s completion.
- **Changes in game starting times** – **Both athletic directors must be in agreement with approval of tournament director.**
- **Students with Special Needs** – Coaches are reminded to inform contest officials prior to each competition of any student with special needs who could be competing in the contest when his/her disability could impact the individual’s performance or the conduct of the competition.
- **CIAC Tournament Site Media Policy** – The CIAC places tremendous value on the role the media plays in promoting and highlighting high school sports. To that purpose CIAC tournament venues and hosts should make every effort to provide a working environment conducive to all media (print, broadcast and internet based) covering our events. The following are **minimum standards**, developed in consultation with the CIAC Media Advisory Committee, which should be provided for working media at all CIAC tournament sites:

1. A minimum of one hour following the conclusion of post-game interviews to write in the press box, press area or a suitable facility in close proximity to the site of the event (i.e. office, classroom, etc.)
2. Access to electric power (shared power strip, etc.)
3. Access to wireless internet service

Site directors should communicate these requirements to any staff person who may be responsible for the administration of the event. If for some reason a site will not be able to provide these items for a contest, a site representative should inform the CIAC in advance and work with the media on-site before the game and work to provide a reasonable solution to the issue. Members of the media who will be covering events are directed to contact the appropriate site as far in advance as possible to inform them they will be at the event and discuss what arrangements will be made for working media at the site.

- **Tie-Break Procedures** – Please see 9.1, as the procedures have been modified.

2024-25 NATIONAL FEDERATION BASKETBALL RULE CHANGES

- 1-19** Limits the use of electronic devices used during a game for the purposes of recording and tracking stats, reviewing or diagramming plays, or other similar contest related functions.
- 2-11-11** Requires the non-official scorer(s) to compare records with the official scorer when multiple scorers are present, allowing the official scorer to remain focused on game activity.
- 2-12-6 (New), 3-3-7, 3-3-7 Note 1** – Allows 20 seconds for a player to address any minor blood on the body or uniform without leaving the game. If the blood cannot be appropriately covered/cleaned within 20 seconds, the head coach may take a time-out to address the issue or substitute for the player.
- 3-3-6** Requires a player who has been injured to be removed from the game if the coach is beckoned by the official, whether the coach enters the playing area or not, or if bench personnel (i.e., a coach or athletic trainer) enters the court without being beckoned. The coach may still use a time-out to continue assessment of the injury and keep the injured player in the game.
- 3-4-4a (New)** Allows the use of a school logo/mascot image to be centered directly above the uniform number in place of an identifying name, removing the restriction of allowing only lettering on the front of the jersey.
- 4-6-1 Exception (New)** – Creates an exception to basket interference by allowing a player(s) to touch only the net while the ball is on or within the basket provided that the contact did not affect the ball, allowing play to continue unless the contact of the net affects the try for goal.
- 4-10 Exception (New), 9-10-1a Note (New), State Association Adoptions** – Allows state associations to adopt a modification to the closely guarded rule if they have adopted the 35-second shot clock, allowing players to dribble the ball for more than five seconds while closely guarded and maintain that a player may not hold the ball for five or more seconds.
- 4-47-5 (New), 10-2-1g (New), 10-4-5b** – Changes the penalty for failing to immediately pass the ball to the nearer official when a whistle sounds from a player technical to a warning for delay for the first violation and a team technical for any subsequent offense, lessening the severity of the penalty while addressing the behavior.
- 4-49 (New), 6-4-4g, 10-2-1h (New), 10-4-6f** – Changes the penalty for faking being fouled from a player technical to a warning for the first violation and a team technical for any subsequent offense and adds a definition and examples, lessening the severity of the penalty while addressing the behavior.

- 7-1-1** Establishes that a player is out of bounds if contact by a teammate or other bench personnel outside the boundary line provides an advantage, allowing the player to remain in bounds.
- 10-1-1 Penalty, 10-1-2 Penalty, 10-2-7 Penalty (New), 10-5-1 Penalty (New)** – Establishes that all administrative, team and bench technical fouls that occur during pregame offset – no free throws are awarded – and the game will start with a jump ball and the head coach does not lose the privilege of the coaching box.
- 10-2-7 (New), 10-5-1i** – Changes the penalty for dunking or attempting to dunk or stuff a dead ball from a bench technical to a team technical. The penalty remains two free throws plus the ball for a division-line throw-in and a foul is added to the offending team’s team count, but the coach no longer loses the coaching box to start the game and no personal foul is awarded.

2024-25 Basketball Major Editorial Changes

- 2-2-4 Note** Clarifies that scoring, timing and bookkeeping errors are not reviewable after game officials’ jurisdiction has ended, while state associations may intercede on a case-by-case basis for unusual incidents outside of these areas.
- 3-4-2a** Allows one visible manufacturer’s logo/trademark/reference to be placed anywhere on the team jersey provided it does not interfere with the visibility of the uniform number and meets all size specifications.
- 4-12-2 Note (New), 9-7-1 Note (New), 9-9-3 Note (New)** – Clarifies that team control during a throw-in only applies to fouls committed by the offense and the three second and backcourt violations are not in effect. Additionally, this clarifies that team control, as a result of a throw-in, remains in that team’s control until player control, by either team, is established.
- 9-2-10 Note 2 (New)** – Supports language in the NFHS Basketball Case Book asserting that officials should ignore an intentional throw-in plane violation or a player interfering with the ball following a goal when the clock is Running and there are five or less seconds left on the game clock.
- 9-2 Penalties 1** – Clarifies that after a warning is issued during an alternating possession throw-in, the throw-in remains an alternating possession throw-in.
- Official NFHS Basketball Signals** – Creates a new signal No. 15 “Flopping” to communicate the new warning for faking being fouled and establishes that signal No. 21 “Delayed Violation: Withheld Whistle” shall be used to signal when a player steps out of bounds on their own volition. Signal No. 25 “Backcourt and First to Touch from Out of Bounds Violation” shall be used to signal the violation once the player is the first to touch the ball after returning to the court.
- Reminder:** The 2019-20 rule change to eliminate the option to have the uniform number the same color as the jersey when bordered with a contrasting color goes into effect for the 2024-25 school year.

2024-25 Basketball Editorial Changes

1-13-2, 2-10-6, 3-3-1c Note, 3-5-1 Note, 3-5-7, 7-3-2, 7-6-6, 8-5-3, 9-1 Penalties 1c, 9-2 Penalty, 10-2-1d, 10-4-3, 10-4-6h, 10-5-3

2024-25 NFHS Basketball Points of Emphasis

1. Warning for Delay
2. Faking Being Fouled
3. Proper Procedures for Handling Blood

CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
ANNUAL 2025 BOYS BASKETBALL REGULATIONS

1.0 **DIVISIONS**

- 1.1 Only institutional members of the CIAC are invited to participate in the boys' basketball tournament. The 2024-25 tournament will be formatted to include five (5) divisions. **A listing of tournament divisions are available on the boys basketball page at ciacsports.com**
- 1.2 Tournament divisions will be posted on the CIAC web site. A team may "opt-up" to the Division I tournament for a one year period by notifying the CIAC office by November 4, 2024. Divisions II, III, IV and V will not be rebalanced if schools opt to move up.
- 1.3 If schools opt up to Division I, the same number of DI schools (non-schools of choice) will be offered the opportunity to move down to DII. Non-school of choice schools will be asked (starting from the 16 seed and working towards the 1 seed), if they would like to move down to DII. Once a like number of schools to those moving up have accepted the offer, the divisions will be set.
- 1.4 The 2025 Boys' Basketball Championships will be played using a single elimination by division format.

2.0 **DATES / SITES / TIMES OF GAMES**

- 2.1 Member schools may start practice on, but not before, Thursday, December 5, 2024.
- 2.2 Member schools may play the first game on, but not before, Tuesday, December 17, 2024
- 2.3 The last date for games to count for the 2025 Boys' Basketball Tournament will be Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

2.4 **Scheduled Playing Dates for the 2025 Boys' Basketball Tournament**

Qualifying Round	Thursday February 27
First Round	Div. III, V – March 1 / Div. II, I – March 3
Second Round	Div. I, III, V – March 4 / Div. II, IV – March 5
Quarter-finals	Div. I, III, V - March 6 / Div. II, IV – March 7
Semi-finals	Div. I, III, V – March 10 / Div. II, IV – March 11
Finals	March 15, 16 – Mohegan Sun Arena – Times TBA

- 2.5 **Game Times** – First and second round single games played at 6:30 p.m.
Quarter-final and semi-final single games played at 7:00 p.m.
Double-headers will be played at 6:00 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. except for finals

Change in game starting times – both athletic directors must be in agreement with approval of tournament director.

- 2.6 In the event of inclement weather, the site director has the authority to postpone the game. "Back-to-back" games may be scheduled. The site director must immediately notify the tournament director who will make the final decision regarding scheduling and postponement dates. The postponed game will be played on the next day including Sunday.
- 2.7 All Div. I, II, III, IV and V qualifying, first round and second round games will be played at the site of the higher ranked team, provided the court and seating capacity have met CIAC standards. (See Appendix B)

Division I, II, III, IV and V quarter-finals will be played at the site of the higher ranked team provided the court and seating capacity have met CIAC standards. Semi-finals will be played at neutral sites.

- a. **THE CIAC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MOVE ANY GAME TO A NEUTRAL LARGER SITE for safety reasons and to allow more spectators to see the game.**

2.8 All state semi-final and final games will be played at sites determined by the Tournament Director.

2.9 Once a neutral site for a game is announced, neither of the competing teams may practice on that site.

2.10 **Boys basketball tournament press conference on Thursday, March 13 at 10:00 a.m. at a site TBD.**

3.0 **ENTRY PROCEDURE**

3.1 **Schedule Form** – All games played with CIAC member schools, the American School for the Deaf, or CIAC-approved out-of-state schools must be reported on the schedule form. Games not included on the schedule form will not count for tournament qualification. This form must be completed and submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center. **NO NEW GAMES CAN BE SCHEDULED AFTER DECEMBER 17, 2024.**

Game Results – All regular season game scores must be submitted online on the day of the game as soon as possible following the game's completion.

Scores may be entered via the Online Eligibility Center, the "Submit Scores/Forms" option of the "CIAC for Coaches" menu at CIACsports.com, or the "Submit Scores" button in our CIACmobile.com mobile site. Entering scores at CIACsports.com or CIACmobile.com requires either a coach's or scorekeeper's access code, those codes are managed via the Online Eligibility Center and can be retrieved from a school's athletic director

Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC board of control. Cancellation of any regular season contest/make-up to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.

3.2 **Site Availability Form** – Due Tuesday, January 14, 2025 – Must be completed and submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center.

3.3 **Neutral Site Availability Form** – Due Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

3.4 **Tournament Rosters** – Due Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – Via the password-protected online eligibility center. **Each school will be allowed up to fifteen (15) boys in uniform.** (App.D.4)

3.5 **Entry Fee** – There is a \$100 entry fee for boys basketball.

If a school needs an invoice in order to pay its tournament fee, one can be downloaded by using the "Generate Tournament Invoice" link under the boys basketball options in the password-protected online eligibility center.

3.6 **Final Game Scores** – Regardless of regular season postponed games, the date of Tuesday, February 25, 2025 **MUST BE THE FINAL DAY TO COUNT FOR THE TOURNAMENT.** All games played after the entry form has been submitted, must be completed, and scores submitted following the game's completion.

4.0 **EXPENSES / TICKETS**

4.1 The CIAC will reimburse schools whose sites are used for qualifying, first round, second round and quarter-final games a fee of \$375 for IV & V schools and \$425 for I, II, III schools per game to help

defray the cost of hosting a game. All other expenses except the payment of game officials and the site director will be paid by the host school. The lower ranked team provides the cost of transportation.

4.2 Schools will bear all traveling expenses.

4.3 The Boys Basketball Committee will pay all game expenses directly associated with the staging of the state semi-finals and final tournament games and for Division I quarter-final games exclusive of travel.

4.4 **Ticket prices 2024-25 -- * Subject to change – depending on the venue**

<u>First round – second round – Quarter-finals</u>	
Children five (5) and under	Free
Senior Citizens (age 65 and older)	\$5.00
Students (grades 1-12)	\$5.00
Adults (all others not in the above categories)	\$10.00
Finals – ALL TICKETS (Per Session)	\$10.00

ALL TICKET SALES FOR CIAC TOURNAMENT GAMES WILL BE SOLD AND REDEEMED VIA DIGITAL TICKETING.

Passes – During the 2025 tournament the following passes will be honored at **qualifying through semi-final games** where an admission is charged. **CIAC pass WILL NOT be honored at MOHEGAN SUN.**

- Principal (or designee) of participating schools with CAS membership card
- Press Card
- CT Association of Athletic Directors (CAAD) membership card
- CIAC boys basketball pass (head boys varsity basketball coach ONLY must email jsylvester@casciac.org (for use up to semi-finals)
- CIAC boys basketball officials' membership card
- No other complimentary admission will be permitted

Championship games at Mohegan Sun – CIAC head boys varsity basketball coach only must show I.D. at the ticket window to receive a ticket.

There are no pass lists for tournament games. Once ticket sales for events are uploaded and active, each school's Athletic Director will receive ten (10) complimentary tickets from GOFAN.

For final games – Each school will be reimbursed for ten (10) tickets at the finals. A written request must be sent to the CIAC office. **Pre-sale tickets for the finals will be sold online through the Mohegan Sun Arena Box Office.**

5.0 **FORFEITS**

5.1 Member schools will be required to submit regular season schedules for all sports controlled by CIAC in which member schools participate. Determination of forfeitures will be based on this schedule.

A forfeit game shall count as a victory for the team declared the winner and as a loss for the team declared a loser in determining tournament qualifications and ratings. For tournament qualifications only the following reasons for a forfeit shall be accepted.

5.2 A team shall forfeit a game or games if through a violation it is required to do so under the CIAC Rules of Eligibility.

- 5.3 A team shall forfeit a game if the game official declares the game a forfeit as a result of a National Federation rule violation, or a team refuses to play after being instructed to do so by the game official.
- 5.4 Forfeitures will be honored by CIAC sports committees when there is mutual agreement between the principals of the two schools involved in a game not played or terminated and the reasons for the forfeit have been approved by CIAC. If there is not mutual agreement and not playing the game impacts the tournament in any way, the CIAC sports committee Chair, in conjunction with CIAC staff and the tournament director will make the determination if the game should be forfeited.

When a game is being forfeited both schools involved must: (a) submit the forfeit form, which is found under the options for the sport in question in the CIAC Online Eligibility Center, within 72 hours of the scheduled time of the contest; and, (b) record the result of the game on their schedule as a win or loss (depending on if the school is giving or receiving the forfeit) with the word "Forfeit" entered in the field for the score of the game.

On the eve of a tournament when there is not sufficient time for normal administrative procedures (72 hours) if a question of team forfeiture arises the Executive Director or his/her designees, in consultation with the Chairman of the sports committee affected and the principals of the two schools will make an appropriate ad hoc decision in consideration of the best interests of the tournament as a whole.

- 5.5 All games listed on the original schedule and submitted to the CIAC which are not played and have not been forfeited in accordance with this policy will be considered by each sport committee as No Contest and shall not count for tournament qualification and ratings unless it affects the minimum number of games required to qualify for tournament participation. In this instance the sport committee shall review the evidence submitted by the teams involved and may grant an exception from the minimum game number requirement. The minimum winning percentage as determined by the individual sports committee must be met under all circumstances.
- 5.6 **Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC Board of Control cancellation of any regular season contest / make-up to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.**

6.0 OFFICIALS

- 6.1 The game officials for all of the tournament games will be assigned by the CIAC. **OFFICIALS WILL BE PAID DIRECTLY BY THE CIAC OFFICE.**
- 6.2 Site directors should meet and greet officials and escort them to their private locker rooms and provide an escort to their cars when they are ready to leave.
- 6.3 **Official Timers and Scorers** shall be adults who have been trained to perform their respective duties. **The official scorer is required to wear a black and white vertically striped garment.**

The official timer should sit between the shot clock operator and the official scorebook.

7.0 PROTESTS

- 7.1 On the eve of a tournament when there is not sufficient time for normal administrative procedures and Board of Control hearings, if a question of interpretation of tournament regulations or the operation of the tournament arises, the Chairman of the CIAC Board of Control, the Executive Director of CIAC, and the Chairman of the Tournament Committee in question will make an appropriate ad hoc decision in consideration of the best interest of the tournament as a whole.

- 7.2 **Decisions by Game Officials** – Protests arising from the decisions, interpretations and misapplication of the National Federation or CIAC game rules by officials during the contest will not be considered. The decisions and interpretations of the rules by the officials are final.

The record of the official scorekeeper at the conclusion of the contest is final unless an error is discovered. Such error shall be corrected as covered by specific contest rules.

Any team leaving the contest area before the conclusion of the contest because of dissatisfaction with the officiating will render the school liable to disciplinary action by CIAC.

8.0 **QUALIFYING**

- 8.1 To be eligible for consideration in the tournament, a team must play a minimum of twelve (12) games AGAINST VARSITY OPPONENTS and have won 40%* of its approved scheduled games played. Only the first two games played with any single opponent shall be included in a team's final record.
- **All Division I teams qualify for the tournament. Division II, III, IV and V teams with a .400 or greater win percentage will qualify.**
- 8.2 Only games played with Conference member schools, American School for the Deaf, or out-of-state schools who are members of their state athletic association shall be considered.
- 8.3 Games played against non-member CIAC member schools or out-of-state schools who are not members of their state association will not count for tournament standings. However, those games **will** count toward the 20 game maximum limitation.

9.0 **RANKING WITHIN CLASSES**

- 9.1 Teams will be ranked within divisions by winning percentage (number of games won divided by the number of games played). When two or more teams have the same winning percentage, the following steps will be used to break the ties:
- 1) **Most wins** – Example: A 10-10 team would secure the higher ranking over a 9-9 team.
 - 2) **Power Rating** – Each school is assigned a power rating based on the records of the school(s) that they beat. Schools receive one point in their power rating for each win each of the opponents they have defeated has during the season. The total number of wins of all the opponents you defeat will be your power rating.

For example – If Team A wins 10 games during the season and those 10 opponents have 13, 12, 11, 10, 10, 7, 7, 7, 6 and 4 wins, Team A's power rating would be 87.

The team with the higher power rating will secure the higher ranking.

Notes:

- (1) If a school defeats a team twice, it will receive the number of wins that opponent has twice in its power rating.
- (2) The number of power rating points a CIAC member school will receive for defeating an out-of-state school, who is a member of their state association, is 10. In order to make the rankings on the website not appeared skewed early in the season due to our new policy of giving 10 wins for power points purposes to all out-of-state teams, I have set it up so the rankings pages on the site will show the following in the power points total:

- Two points for an out-of-state opponent beaten if viewing in December
- Five points for an out-of-state opponent beaten if viewing in January
- The full ten points for an out-of-state opponent beaten if viewing in February or March.

3) **By-lot Tiebreaker Number** – If a tie remains, the team securing the higher ranking will be determined electronically by lot using computer assigned random tiebreaker numbers to be set at the start of the season. The team with the greater tiebreaker number will secure the higher ranking.

9.2 **Pairings** – The pairings will be made as follows:

<u>First Round</u>	<u>Second Round</u>	<u>Quarter-finals</u>	<u>Semi-finals</u>	<u>Finals</u>
1 vs 32				
16 vs 17	1 vs 16			
8 vs 25		1 vs 8		
9 vs 24	8 vs 9		1 vs 4	
4 vs 29				
13 vs 20	4 vs 13			
5 vs 28		4 vs 5		
12 vs 21	5 vs 12			1 vs 2
2 vs 31				
15 vs 18	2 vs 15			
7 vs 26		2 vs 7		
10 vs 23	7 vs 10			
3 vs 30			2 vs 3	
14 vs 19	3 vs 14			
6 vs 27		3 vs 6		
11 vs 22	6 vs 11			

9.3 If fewer than 32 teams qualify, the higher ranked teams will draw byes for the first round.

9.4 If more than 32 teams qualify, the qualifying pairings shall be as follows:

<u>If 33 teams</u>	<u>If 34 teams</u>	<u>If 35 teams</u>	<u>If 36 teams</u>
32 vs 33	32 vs 33	32 vs 33	32 vs 33
	31 vs 34	31 vs 34	31 vs 34
		30 vs 35	30 vs 35
			29 vs 36

9.5 A TEAM MAINTAINS ITS INITIAL PERCENTAGE RANKING THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT.

9.6 *Final ranking and pairing information will be distributed to coaches on the CIAC web site by Wednesday, February 26, 2025 by 2:00 p.m.*

9.7 **League Playoffs** – League playoff games **SHALL NOT BE COUNTED** for tournament qualification or rating.

10.0 **SUPERVISION / SPORTSMANSHIP**

10.1 Players and coaches disqualified in a game will be required to serve the additional penalty as outlined in the CIAC regulation on “Disqualification.”

10.2 In the interest of crowd control and proper supervision the CIAC Board of Control has approved the tournament regulation requiring the principal of the participating schools or his/her designee to attend all tournament games. The school administrator should identify him/herself to the site director.

- 10.3 When a member school's coach is ejected from a game for an infraction as prescribed by the rules, the game may not continue until the member school replaces the ejected coach with a certified coach. If this cannot be accomplished within 15 minutes after the ejection, the official in charge will declare a forfeit win for the opposing team.
- 10.4 Use of tobacco and vaping products or possession of alcoholic beverages of any kind, including champagne, are not permitted in the gymnasium. The principal or his/her designee at the game shall see that this rule is enforced and adhered to by the teams.

10.5 **Bench and Field Conduct**

Personnel – A maximum of 20 personnel, including up to 15 players, coaches, managers, statisticians, medical personnel, etc., will be permitted free onto the site. Only players, coaches, managers, trainers, and statisticians will be permitted on the bench area.

Conduct – The above identified personnel shall not be outside the vicinity of the designated bench area. The coaches box must be marked as required by the rules.

- 10.6 **Conduct and Good Sportsmanship** – We require that all school personnel – administrators, faculty, and coaches – give special and specific emphasis about CIAC's expectations for good sportsmanship during the basketball tournament requiring that athletes and members of the student body conduct themselves in a manner that reflects nothing but credit upon your school. Any unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of students and adults is unacceptable and will be addressed with strong and appropriate measures. The CIAC is the guests of the site school or private facility and as guests, we shall act in full accord with our principles of sportsmanship.
- 10.7 **Player Technical Foul** – Beginning with the 2023-24 basketball season, a player that receives a technical foul will be directed to leave the game. The administration of this CIAC policy will be modeled after NFHS rule 3-3-4, which states in part that "...a player directed to leave the game shall not re-enter before the next opportunity to substitute after the clock has started properly following the player's replacement." In other words, a player that receives a technical foul must leave the game and cannot return until time has run off the clock. A coach will have the normal 15 seconds to replace the player who received the technical foul.

A few situations to consider:

- After a player is directed to leave the game for receiving a technical foul, a timeout does not nullify the penalty of "sitting a tick" for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.
- If a player receives a technical foul during the dead ball period prior to or during the administration of free throws, the free throws do not nullify the penalty of "sitting a tick" for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.
- If a player receives a technical after the expiration of time to end a quarter, half, or extra period, the dead ball period between the **end** of the quarter, half, or extra period and the **beginning** of the next quarter, half, or extra period does not nullify the penalty of "sitting a tick" for the player. The player may not start the next quarter or extra period because the clock must start before the player can return.
- If a player receives a technical foul prior to or during the dead ball period that an injured player is being attended to, the time it takes for the injured player to be safely moved from the playing court does not nullify the penalty of "sitting a tick" for the player. The clock must start before the player can return.

- 10.8 **SPORTSMANSHIP** – Member schools are expected to conduct their relations with each other at all levels of competition in a spirit of good sportsmanship. The school administration is responsible for the athletic program, including the policies and procedures relating to sportsmanship and the conduct of activities in the school. The CIAC "Class Act" standards will be used in all CIAC contests. The CIAC

11.0 **TOURNAMENT RULES / PROCEDURES**

- 11.1 **Rules** – Rules – All contests shall be governed by CIAC and National Federation Rules.
- 11.2 **Uniforms** – The higher seeded team will wear the white jerseys and have the choice of team bench and for this purpose the original rating assigned to a team will be maintained throughout the tournament.
- 11.3 **Ball** -- Each school will bring a **SPALDING TF 1000 LEGACY** game ball in good condition. Teams should provide their own for pre-game warm-up.
- 11.4 **Bands** – Bands, dance teams and similar organizations may perform at the semi-finals and finals with prior permission from the tournament director.
- 11.5 **Cheerleaders** – Cheerleaders of participating schools, if supervised, will be admitted free to tournament games in which their school team participates. Each school will be allowed **UP TO 20 cheerleaders in uniform.**
- 11.6 **Crowd Control** – The CIAC Regulations for Insuring Maximum Crowd Control apply to the boys basketball tournament.
- 11.7 **Late Entry Policy**
- No tournament entries will be accepted after the established deadline except those approved by the CIAC Board of Control.
 - Corrections requested by a school to an entry form that was submitted by the established deadline but prior to seeding/pairing data being published on the web site, will be assessed a fee of \$50 per correction to a maximum of \$250.
- 11.8 **Tournament Regulations Violations**
If a school fails to comply with tournament regulations and such requires the CIAC tournament sports committee, central office staff, or the CIAC Board of Control to redo any portion of the tournament pairings or such non-compliance adversely impacts the management of the tournament, an administrative violation fee of \$500 will be imposed upon the school before entry into the tournament will be allowed.
- 11.9 **Towels** – Shall be furnished by the participating teams.
- 11.10 **Solicitation of Funds / Selling T-shirts, etc.** – Solicitation of funds or selling merchandise for any purpose at any of the tournament games is prohibited unless permission to do so is given by CIAC. (Marketing Special Promotions has a contract with and thereby authorized by CIAC to sell T-shirts and other merchandise at the basketball championship games.) Food, candy and beverages may be sold by the site schools.
- 11.11 **Movies, Video Tape** – Prior permission of the site director must be obtained if video tape and/or movie equipment is to be used during tournament games. The use of this equipment is limited to participating schools and is only for post-game use of the teams involved. No commercial use of these tapes or films is permitted.
- It is considered to be unethical for an athletic department to video an opponent without their knowledge and approval.*
- All non-commercial videotaping at tournament sites must not create a safety hazard, or obstruct a view.
- 11.12 **Half-time** – For the FINAL GAME ONLY – the half-time will be decided according to the schedule. We hope to provide a 12-15 minute half-time.

11.13 **Start Time** – Teams may request an earlier start time. However, such request should be made through the Tournament Director no later than Noon the day before the scheduled game. If agreed upon, both schools must accept in Arbiter the change so all officials can be notified of the time change.

11.14 **Awards Ceremony** – **IMMEDIATELY** upon the conclusion of all **FINALS** games, the participating teams will line up in front of the scorer’s table and shake hands.

- As soon as the teams have completed the handshakes, the awards ceremony will begin with the presentation of medals to the players and coaches of the runner-up team.
- **When your name is announced, please come forward to receive your medal from a member of the CIAC Basketball Committee.**
- This will be followed with the presentation of the team plaque to the head coach and captains of the runner-up team.
- The runner-up team shall remain on the court as the winning team is presented individual medals and the championship plaque following the same procedure.
- Once the awards ceremony concludes, teams will vacate the floor so that teams scheduled to play in the next game may enter the court area to begin warming up.
- CIAC staff members will direct team personnel and members of the media to a designated area where interviews may be conducted.
- Each team must be supervised in their assigned locker room by school administrator(s), team coaches, and/or other responsible school personnel before and after their game. This supervision must continue until all team personnel have exited the facility.

APPENDIX A

103rd ANNUAL BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

The boys basketball schedule form must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center. No games may be scheduled after December 17, 2024.

2024-25 Boys Basketball Divisions After Enrollment

Division I – ___ Division II – ___ Division III – ___ Division IV – ___ Division V - ___

1. Only the first TWO games against the same VARSITY opponent will be counted toward tournament qualification.
2. Games **NOT LISTED** on this schedule form will not count toward tournament qualification.

APPENDIX B

CRITERIA TO BE USED FOR SELECTION OF SITES FOR QUALIFYING, FIRST ROUND, SECOND ROUND AND QUARTER-FINAL GAMES

Home Sites – Qualifications and Neutral Sites Criteria

The home site qualification form and neutral sites criteria must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center by January 14, 2025. If athletic directors have questions – please contact Dave Schulz at (203) 650-5765.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT THIS FORM MAY COST YOU A FIRST ROUND, SECOND ROUND OR QUARTER-FINAL GAME.

The CIAC reserves the right to move any game to a neutral larger site for safety reasons and to allow all spectators to see the game.

APPENDIX C

SELECTION METHOD FOR CIAC BASKETBALL OFFICIALS

1. A master list of the most qualified varsity officials in Connecticut is established. Based upon the number of schools participating in the sport of basketball, the Assistant Tournament Director will determine the total number of officials making up this master list which must be sufficient to accommodate the number of games scheduled for any one night.
2. The number of varsity officials selected from each board is based on the percentage of schools each board serves, relative to the total number of CIAC schools participating in basketball and the total number of officials making up the master list.
3. Each of the six (6) IAABO boards will communicate to the CIAC online its master list of tournament officials prior to February 7, 2025.
4. The master list of tournament officials is prepared and presented to head coaches on the CIAC website by February 12, 2025.
5. Between February 13, 2025, and February 21, 2025 each CIAC school shall review the master list of eligible / qualified officials and – identify up to ten (10) officials they prefer from the combined lists to officiate the CIAC tournament and up to two (2) officials they do not want to be assigned from the combined lists to their tournament game(s).
6. “Crews” of officials will be selected from within each board. In assigning officials for all tournament games the Assistant Tournament Director will normally select from a “neutral board” when competing teams come from **different board representation**. If both competing teams are from the **same board**, officials from that board **may be assigned**. The Assistant Tournament Director retains the authority to assign from any board in the event of extenuating circumstances.
7. In accordance with action taken by the boys basketball committee, three (3) officials will be assigned to the quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals of all boys basketball games. **At the discretion of the assistant tournament director, three person officiating crews may be used at any point in the tournament.**
8. Semi-final victors will be allowed **one additional scratch of an official** from the tournament list of officials.

APPENDIX D

2025 BOYS BASKETBALL ENTRY FORM
(Limited to Members of the Conference)

1. Tournament rosters must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center by Tuesday, February 25, 2025.
2. Entry fee of \$100 must be mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410

If a school needs an invoice in order to pay its tournament fee, one can be downloaded by using the "Generate Tournament Invoice" link under the boys basketball options in the password-protected online eligibility center.

3. Report all varsity games won or lost with member schools, approved out-of-state schools, or American School for the Deaf online on the day of the game as soon as possible following the game's completion. Date of last game to count is Tuesday, February 25, 2025. All scheduled games are to be listed on the entry form. Scores may be entered via the Online Eligibility Center, the "Submit Scores/Forms" option of the "CIAC for Coaches" menu at CIACsports.com, or the "Submit Scores" button in our CIACmobile.com mobile site. Entering scores at CIACsports.com or CIACmobile.com requires either a coach's or scorekeeper's access code, those codes are managed via the Online Eligibility Center and can be retrieved from the school's athletic director.

Only varsity games played with CIAC members, American School for the Deaf or CIAC approved out-of-state schools will be considered.

Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC Board of Control. Cancellation of any regular season contest / make-up to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.

4. **Each school will be allowed up to fifteen (15) boys in uniform.** There cannot be any alternates or substitutes to the original list of fifteen submitted. (DISREGARD OF THIS RULE MAY MEAN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.)
5. EACH PLAYER LISTED MUST BE ASSIGNED A NUMBERED UNIFORM FOR BOTH **WHITE** AND **DARK** JERSEYS. Also list his GRADE LEVEL in school and HEIGHT.
6. The PRINCIPAL of the participating school is responsible for the knowledge, distribution and implementation of the CIAC Crowd Control Regulations which appear in the CIAC Handbook.
7. THE HIGER RANKED TEAM SHALL WEAR WHITE JERSEYS. THE ORIGINAL RATING ASSIGNED TO A TEAM WITHIN ITS ENTIRE STATEWIDE DIVISION WILL BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT.

Always have alternate jerseys available. In cases of similarity of colors, the lower ranking team will wear color assigned by the site director.

CERTIFICATION:

The school principal certifies that the individuals listed on the Official Tournament Entry Form have satisfied the State Health Statutes, CIAC and local regulations regarding physical examinations.

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APPENDIX E

CIAC BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT

To be read on the public address system by the captains at all CIAC 2025 basketball tournament games:

To be read by the Home Team Captain:

“Welcome to tonight’s game between _____ and the _____ (opposing school and mascot nickname). We view the basketball court as an extension of the classroom where we learn the principles of sportsmanship, fair play, and respect for others. Tonight we ask for your enthusiastic support for these important principles as you root for your respective team.”

To be read by the Visiting Team Captain:

“We also ask that you support the student-athletes from both participating schools by honoring our request to treat all the players, coaches and officials with courtesy and respect. Thank you and enjoy tonight’s game.”

Recommendation:

The sportsmanship statement should be read before all regular season games.

APPENDIX F**CIAC 2024-25 BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
Memorandum to All Site Directors and Competing Schools**

The Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference appreciates the use of your facilities and the following is offered with the idea of assisting those who have been designated as Site Directors. The close observance of these suggestions will make for a smooth-running tournament and will bring satisfaction and enjoyment to all.

The Site Director – In order to operate one of its most important programs the CIAC has selected competent school personnel to take complete charge of the games in the basketball tournament. The site director is entirely responsible for the particular game assigned to his/her school; he/she is the direct representative of the organization and, more specifically, of the Basketball Committee and the Tournament Director. While the site director obviously cannot do all the work him/herself, it is his/her responsibility to engage such competent personnel as may be needed to see that the program is conducted successfully. However, site directors are requested to be realistic regarding the hiring of personnel. Site directors will have to use their best judgment depending on anticipated attendance. Only adults should be assigned to the positions of timer and scorer, and the scorer must be reminded to get from each team the name and number of each squad member as well as the five starting players. It is most advisable to have a hand operated clock(s) on hand and expert scorers in the event that the electrical clock and/or scoreboard become inoperative. Serious violations of CIAC policy or worthwhile recommendations on the part of participating schools should be reported in writing to the Tournament Director immediately after the game. **ALL EXPENSES WILL BE PAID DIRECTLY FROM CIAC OFFICE.** Remind officials that they have complete charge of the actual playing of the game. **RETURN FINANCIAL REPORT TO CIAC OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER GAME IS PLAYED.**

Telephone or Text Scores of Games Immediately – Every site director knows full well that in order to operate a successful tournament, things should move smoothly and rapidly. This is particularly true when it comes to making pairings and selecting sites for the next game, and as a consequence we must know as soon as possible the results of all games – which team won, and the score. We are, therefore, asking each site director to TELEPHONE or TEXT the results of each game immediately at the conclusion of the contest. This is a very important responsibility and we ask your full cooperation. Tournament Director – Dave Schulz – telephone (203) 650-5765.

Opening Ceremony

1. Arrange for playing the National Anthem before the start of each game.
2. Draft a short memo to be read to the spectators before each game which will include: Important crowd control regulations such as prohibition of horns, whistles, etc., as well as the encouragement of good sportsmanship.

Supervision of Locker Rooms – Provide for supervision in each team's locker room before, during and after the game in order to prevent vandalism of facilities or theft of personal property.

Officials – The game officials will be assigned by the CIAC, and they will take complete charge of the actual playing of the game itself. Officials should be met at the door, escorted to their locker rooms before and at the conclusion of the game, and escorted to their cars when they are ready to leave. Officials will be paid directly by CIAC. All other operational details are the responsibility of the site directors. Please provide parking for officials close to the entrance of the gym.

Press – Adequate publicity and favorable public relations are necessary in the operation of any tournament, and in this connection the CIAC appreciates the work and contribution of a fine group of people who bring accounts of our individual games to the public. Consequently, we are asking our site directors to see that newspaper writers and radio sportscasters are treated courteously and supplied with as good accommodations as are possible consistent with the facilities available. Members of the press will, upon proper identification, be admitted to any game. Newspaper reporters who are actually

Covering the game should be provided a seat at a table in the press box or “on the floor,” or at least where spectators will not be jumping up and down, blocking their view.

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Stringers – Some large newspapers which cover many regional games in one evening send out part-time reporters (stringers) who do not carry press passes. The newspaper, through the head of the sports department, should notify the site director the afternoon of the game that one of these “stringers” will be at the game that evening. When he has properly identified him/herself, admit him/her and provide a place at the press table. If he brings a guest, assign this person to a seat in the stands. Do not accept for admission white tickets which merely indicate that the holder is a member of the Sports Writers Alliance.

APPENDIX G

CERTIFICATIONS / COACHING CERTIFICATIONS

- Coaching Education Overview: Required coaching certifications, including medical certifications, can be found at this link: <http://www.ctcoachinged.org/>
- Information on Coaching Permit Renewal for the State of Connecticut can be found at: <https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Certification/Coaching-Permit-First-Time-Issuance>
- Temporary coaching permit application can be found at this link: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed_186.pdf
- 5 Year coaching permit application can be found at this link: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed_185.pdf
- Coaching Course Registration: <http://www.ctcoachinged.org/>
- Sudden Cardiac Arrest Renewal: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Coaching/coaches_sudden_cardiac_arrest_awareness_annual_review.pdf?la=en
- Information on concussion training and certification can be found at this link: <http://www.ctcoachinged.org/concussionpage.html>
- Concussion Renewal Form for Coaches: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/board/boardmaterials030624/approval_of_the_2024_25_concussion_and_head_injury_annual_review_for_coaches.pdf
- Mandated Reporter Training: <https://portal.ct.gov/DCF/Mandated-Reporter-Training/Home>
- Epipen Training: <https://www.mycprcertificationonline.com/anaphylaxis-epinephrine-certification>
- Coaches Guide to Dehydration and Other heat Illnesses: <https://www.nata.org/sites/default/files/heat-illness-parent-coach-guide.pdf>
- Heat Illness Legislation for Coaches, Parents and Students: <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/ACT/PA/PDF/2021PA-00087-R00HB-06492-PA.PDF>
- Exertional Heat Illness Review for Coaches: <http://www.caadinc.org/23-24HeatRev.docx>

Volunteer Coaches – The State of Connecticut Department of Education does not distinguish between volunteer or paid coaches when considering certifications or responsibilities. All coaches who are responsible for, or instruct students in

any way must follow Connecticut State Law for certifications and responsibilities. Therefore, volunteer coaches are required to obtain the same certifications as all other coaches.

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APPENDIX H

FROM THE ARCHIVES – CIAC BOYS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS THROUGH THE YEARS

Year	Winner	Runner-up	Year	Winner	Runner-up
			1944-45	L Hillhouse 32	Weaver-Htfd. 28
				M Branford 31	Derby 25
				S Ellsworth 37	Litchfield 18
1921-22	A Naugatuck (Declared winner on season's record)		1945-46	L Hillhouse 34	Bristol 29
1922-23	A Wilby-Waterbury 21	Naugatuck 20		M Branford 44	Stonington 31
1923-24	A Hillhouse-New Haven 32	Bristol 16		S Bloomfield 35	Ellsworth 26
	C-D Simsbury 26	Branford 22		Year	Winner
1924-25	A Torrington 34	Stamford 25			Runner-up
	C-D Litchfield 29	West Hartford 23	1946-47	L Hillhouse 43	Leavenworth 30
1925-26	A Hillhouse-New Haven 13	Torrington 10		M Branford 33	Wilcox Tech. 31
	C-D Litchfield 14	Terryville 13		S Old Saybrook 38	Torrington 29
1926-27	A Bristol 27	Hillhouse 13	1947-48	L Hillhouse 37	Torrington 29
	C Branford 18	Leavenworth-Wtby 16		M Lyman Hall 48	Shelton 38
	D Tourtellotte-Thompson 37	Litchfield 15		S Ellsworth 45	Bloomfield 43
1927-28	A Bristol 22	Harding-Bpt. 17	1948-49	L New Britain 58	East Hartford 46
	C Canton 21	Deep River 15		M Sacred Heart, Wtby. 41	Darien 31
	D Terryville 37	Essex 25		S Tourtellotte 62	Clinton 31
1928-29	A Bristol 22	Hillhouse 16	1949-50	L New Britain 38	Bpt. Central 37
	C-D Tourtellotte 24	Putnam 22		M Stonington 48	Darien 46
1929-30	A Naugatuck 27	Bpt Central 23		S Tourtellotte 40	Ellsworth 26
	C-D Branford 32	Putnam 6	1950-51	L Bulkeley, New London 50	Bpt. Central 40
1930-31	A Naugatuck 27	Manchester 18		M Derby 44	Sacred Heart 39
	C-D Killingly 35	New Milford 11		S Tourtellotte 45	Berlin 39
1931-32	A Hillhouse 24	Bristol 20	1951-52	L Hillhouse 54	Harding 53
	C-D New Canaan 41	Tourtellotte 34		M Shelton 67	Wethersfield 47
1932-33	A Bristol 23	Hillhouse 21		S Simsbury 56	East Hampton 38
	C-D New Canaan 25	Thomaston 24	1952-53	L Wilby 62	New London 53
1933-34	A Bristol 35	Bpt Central 33		M Lyman Hall 48	East Haven 47
	C-D New Canaan 25	Salisbury 20		S Stafford 52	Suffield 47
1934-35	A Meriden 29	Harding-Bpt. 23	1953-54	L Weaver 58	Hillhouse 42
	C-D Old Saybrook 24	New Milford 18		M East Haven 55	Gilbert, Winsted 36
1935-36	L Meriden 24	Hillhouse 19		S Terryville 59	Morgan, Clinton 48
	M Branford 29	Lyman Hall 19	1954-55	L Hillhouse 61	Ludlowe, Ffld 47
	S Terryville 35	Killingly 29		M East Haven 54	Wilcox Tech. 32
1936-37	L Hillhouse 34	Bristol 24		S Ellsworth 52	Windsor Locks 33
	M Branford 38	Lyman Hall 17	1955-56	L Weaver 62	Manchester 52
	S Staples-Westport 26	Farmington 23		M Stonington 62	East Haven 60
1937-38	L Manchester 32	Naugatuck 25		S New Canaan 72	Putnam 58
	M Branford 37	Windsor 17	1956-57	L Weaver 77	Hillhouse 72
	S Bloomfield 13	Terryville 8		M East Haven 76	Seymour 52
1938-39	L Bridgeport Central 35	Bassick-Bpt. 25		S New Canaan 70	Windsor Locks 51
	M East Hartford 48	Manchester Trade 33	1957-58	L Wilbur Cross 69	Bulkeley, Htfd. 50
	S Ellsworth-S. Windsor 39	Farmington 21		M Darien 49	East Haven 38
1939-40	L Bassick 35	Stratford 25		S New Canaan 59	Woodbury 49
	M Lyman Hall-Wallingford 45	Middletown 18	1958-59	L Wilbur Cross 55	Hillhouse 53
	S Ellsworth 55	Glastonbury 17		M Plainville 59	Lyman Hall 47
1940-41	L Windham 25	Bristol 24		S Litchfield 56	Ellsworth 39
	M Manchester Trade 49	Branford 34	1959-60	L Wilbur Cross 79	Notre Dame, WH 58
	S Ellsworth 39	Bloomfield 29		M East Haven 54	Abbott, Danbury 47
1941-42	L Naugatuck 36	Crosby-Wtby 33		S Suffield 64	St. Anthony, Bristol 62
	M Branford 41	Woodrow Wilson 35	1960-61	L Wilbur Cross 65	Hartford Public 59
	S Old Saybrook 31	Portland 29		M Plainville 45	Lyman Hall 36
1942-43	L Harding 51	Stamford 29		S Bloomfield 59	Windsor Locks 55
	M Plainville 41	Watertown 27	1961-62	L Hartford Public 67	Bulkeley, Htfd 64
	S Ellsworth 34	Tourtellotte 24		M New Canaan 49	Plainville 48
1943-44	L Torrington 36	New Britain 27		S Thomaston 63	Portland 55
	M East Hartford 39	Branford 37	1962-63	L Hillhouse 68	Wilbur Cross 65
	S Tourtellotte 28	Bloomfield 27		M East Haven 38	Plainville 25

1963-64	S L M	Ellington 45 Hillhouse 64 Middletown 66	Durham 38 Hartford Public 49 East Catholic 53	1980-81	S LL L	Cromwell 57 Wilbur Cross 80 St. Bernard 64	Coginchaug 51 Holy Cross 73 Bristol Eastern 46
1964-65	S L M	LaSalette, Cheshire 62 Hillhouse 57 East Catholic 59	Woodbury 43 Notre Dame, Bpt. 51 Plainville 52	1981-82	M S LL L	St. Thomas Aq. 65 Bacon Academy 75 Norwalk 85 St. Bernard 74	Woodrow Wilson 63 Canton 56 Holy Cross 76 Crosby 55
1965-66	S LL L M S	Litchfield 69 Wilbur Cross 58 Norwalk 93 Abbott Tech. 84 Portland 51	Rocky Hill 63 Weaver 56 S. Catholic, Htfd. 76 South Windsor 58 Coventry 50		M S	St. Thomas Aq. 71 Portland 57	Montville 61 Coginchaug 41
Year		Winner	Runner-up	Year		Winner	Runner-up
1966-67	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 74 Sacred Heart 70 Abbott Tech. 45 Cromwell 60	Hartford Public 66 Fairfield Prep. 57 Middletown 41 Litchfield 56	1982-83	LL L M S	Brien McMahon 73 Harding 58 St. Thomas Aq. 73 Terryville 61	Norwalk 65 Wilby 51 Sacred Heart 57 Shepaug Valley 46
1967-68	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 123 East Catholic 75 Middletown 48 Cromwell 61	Bpt. Central 82 Fairfield Prep. 69 Wilton 45 Litchfield 33	1983-84	LL L M S	Hillhouse 70 Harding 55 Sacred Heart 72 Terryville 65	Wilbur Cross 60 South Catholic 43 Weston 48 Cromwell 62
1968-69	LL L M S	Hillhouse 76 Fairfield Prep. 61 Middletown 64 Cromwell 75	Wilbur Cross 71 East Catholic 51 St. Thomas 54 Lewis Mills 35	1984-85	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 71 Harding 47 Kolbe-Cathedral 55 Suffield 57	Hartford Public 65 St. Bernard 46 St. Joseph 53 Cromwell 46
1969-70	LL L M S	Hillhouse 80 South Catholic 71 South Windsor 65 Cromwell 82	Bpt. Central 78 East Catholic 67 Daniel Hand 58 Wamogo 50	1985-86	LL L M S	Hillhouse 118 Harding 54 St. Joseph 51 Putnam 60	Brien McMahon 90 St. Paul 51 Weston 50 (OT) Portland 58
1970-71	LL L M S	Weaver 88 South Windsor 54 Kolbe Cathedral 77 Cromwell 40	Hartford Public 86 East Catholic 34 St. Thomas Aq. 68 Nonnewaug 39	1986-87	LL L M S	West Haven 53 Harding 69 St. Joseph 72 Tourtellotte 78	Hillhouse 48 Bristol Central 49 Kolbe Cathedral 64 Somers 65
1971-72	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 83 East Catholic 45 N.W. Catholic 72 Ellington 53	Hartford Public 77 Harding 42 Kolbe Cathedral 67 Cromwell 44	1987-88	LL L M S	Holy Cross 70 St. Joseph 69 St. Paul 54 Avon 64	Norwalk 65 Harding 66 New London 52 Windsor Locks 44
1972-73	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 65 Harding 76 N.W. Catholic 65 St. Thomas Aq. 57	Hartford Public 58 Bloomfield 63 Nonnewaug 49 Immaculate 49	1988-89	LL L M S	Danbury 78 Bassick 76 New London 85 Coventry 58	New Canaan 76 Harding 72 (2 OT) North Haven 57 Tolland 51
1973-74	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 98 South Catholic 71 St. Paul, Bristol 71 Coginchaug 49	Trumbull 65 Naugatuck 57 Daniel Hand 70 St. Thomas Aq. 48	1989-90	LL L M S	Hillhouse 77 Bristol Central 66 New London 64 Thomaston 61	Wilbur Cross 71 St. Joseph 65 Kennedy 56 Cromwell 59
1974-75	LL L M S	Bridgeport Central 70 New London 75 St. Paul, Bristol 59 St. Joseph, Trumbull 64	Wilbur Cross 69 Harding 65 Ansonia 38 St. Thomas Aq. 63	1990-91	LL L M S	Weaver 79 Harding 75 South Catholic 51 Thomaston 74	Danbury 76 New Milford 61 St. Thomas Aq. 41 Marianapolis 60
1975-76	LL L M S	Lee, New Haven 80 Harding 79 Middletown 63 Immaculate 72	Weaver 77 So. Catholic 60 Ellington 38 St. Joseph 71	1991-92	LL L M S	Stamford 71 St. Joseph 85 Morgan 63 Somers 82	Harding 70 East Catholic 67 Rocky Hill 50 H-K 81 (3 OT)
1976-77	LL L M S	Brien McMahon 68 South Catholic 78 Middletown 69 St. Joseph 89	Stamford 66 Harding 76 Pulaski 51 St. Thomas Aq. 63	1992-93	LL L M S	Hartford Public 83 St. Joseph 76 St. Thomas Aq. 63 Marianapolis 68	Danbury 68 Bullard-Havens 57 E.O. Smith 48 Gilbert, Winsted 60
1977-78	LL L M S	Hillhouse 56 Harding 80 Middletown 71 Canton 64	Weaver 55 South Windsor 66 St. Joseph 57 Cromwell 61	1993-94	LL L M S	Hartford Public 70 Middletown 82 New London 82 Somers 74	Danbury 68 E.O. Smith 54 Sheehan 65 Cromwell 49
1978-79	LL L M S	Wilbur Cross 74 South Catholic 73 St. Thomas Aq. 84 Cromwell 56	N.W. Catholic 73 Harding 63 Masuk 71 Litchfield 54	1994-95	LL L M S	Holy Cross 57 Ansonia 56 New London 49 Terryville 59	Windsor 49 St. Joseph 54 Trinity Catholic 43 Putnam 56
1979-80	LL L M	Wilbur Cross 59 East Haven 63 Pomperaug 68	New Canaan 56 Bullard Havens 57 Notre Dame, Ffld. 65	1995-96	LL L	Norwalk 62 St. Joseph 67	Xavier 59 Torrington 47

	M	Trinity Catholic 69	N.W. Catholic 63	M	Waterford 71	Watertown 57	
	S	Lewis Mills 52	Portland 49	S	Immaculate 67	Capital Prep. 53	
1996-97	LL	Fairfield Prep. 66	Norwalk 60	2012-13	LL	Hillhouse 52	Fairfield Prep. 42
	L	Harding 64	St. Joseph 58		L	Woodstock Academy 52	Trinity Catholic 49
	M	Sacred Heart 48	N.W. Catholic 46		M	Valley Reg. 52	Weston 45
	S	Marianapolis 63	Immaculate 47		S	Granby Memorial 83	Weaver 81 (2OT)
1997-98	LL	Windsor 74	Norwalk 66	2013-14	LL	Bpt. Central 76	Fairfield Prep. 73
	L	Crosby 81	Notre Dame, WH 72		L	Windsor 63	Career 59
	M	N.W. Catholic 85	AI Prince 66		M	East Catholic 87	Weaver 60
	S	Gilbert 48	Tolland 43		S	Sacred Heart 65	Valley Reg. 56

Year	Winner	Runner-up	Year	Winner	Runner-up
1998-99	LL Windsor 53	Weaver 44	2014-15	LL Fairfield Prep. 51	Westhill 50
	L Trinity Catholic 63	Holy Cross 44		L Bunnell 72	Naugatuck 61
	M Kolbe-Cathedral 72	New London 71 (OT)		M Weaver 72	Notre Dame, Ffld 59
	S Gilbert 55	Hyde, New Haven 40		S Sacred Heart 71	Valley Reg. 46
1999-00	LL Bulkeley, Hartford 59	Harding 56	2015-16	LL Hillhouse 93	Weaver 83 (2OT)
	L Holy Cross 74	Bassick 50		L East Catholic 64	Middletown 51
	M N.W. Catholic 80	Trinity Cath. 71 (2OT)		M Sacred Heart 101	Notre Dame, Ffld 49
	S Suffield 46	Hyde 45		S Immaculate 53	Coginchaug 43
2000-01	LL Harding 41	NFA 38	2016-17	LL Hillhouse 78	East Hartford 58
	L St. Joseph 66	Holy Cross 48		L Sacred Heart 75	Notre Dame, Ffld 53
	M Trinity Catholic 63	Kolbe Cathedral 56		M Brookfield 63	Bloomfield 60
	S Windsor Locks 64	East Granby 53		S Trinity Catholic 61	Westbrook 52
2001-02	LL Weaver 77	New Britain 61	2017-18	I Notre Dame, Ffld. 65	Sacred Heart 60
	L Bloomfield 66	Berlin 41		II Immaculate 53	Amity 34
	M N.W. Catholic 45	Trinity Catholic 43		III Waterford 90	Avon 62
	S Rocky Hill 65	Ellington 41		IV Kolbe-Cathedral 55	Rocky Hill 40
2002-03	LL Bridgeport Central 58	Notre Dame, WH 56		V Cromwell 58	Wamogo 40
	L N.W. Catholic 73	Wilbur Cross 71	2018-19	I East Catholic 79	Windsor 74
	M Trinity Catholic 72	Kolbe Cathedral 65		II Waterford 63	New Britain 56
	S Hyde 66	Immaculate 64		III Farmington 55	Amistad 45
2003-04	I Trinity Catholic 69	Crosby 67		IV New Canaan 55	Granby 39
	II Kolbe Cathedral 74	Bassick 67		V Innovation, New Britain 62	Old Lyme 41
	III New London 64	Holy Cross 57\	2019-20	Tournament cancelled – Covid-19 pandemic	
	IV Enfield 55	Griswold 45	2020-21	No tournament due to pandemic	
2004-05	I Crosby 56	Trinity Catholic 54	2021-22	I East Catholic 50	Notre Dame, WH 49
	II New London 72	Wethersfield 68		II Bristol Central 56	NW Catholic 36
	III Avon 55	Fairfield/Ludlowe 48		III Daniel Hand 56	Kolbe Cathedral 39
	IV Old Saybrook 69	Wamogo 49		IV Bloomfield 58	Granby Memorial 54
2005-06	I Hillhouse 81	East Catholic 43		V Windham 62	SMSA 56
	II Torrington 55	Holy Cross 40	2022-23	I East Catholic 49	NW Catholic 47
	III Berlin 58	Wilby 53		II St. Bernard 63	Staples 50
	IV Plainville 64	Putnam 61		III Waterbury Career 74	Bloomfield 58
2006-07	LL Hillhouse 55	East Catholic 39		IV Cromwell 53	Ellington 46
	L Weaver 80	Maloney 73		V Windsor Locks 69	Shepaug Valley 58
	M Weston 59	Waterford 35	2023-24	I Notre Dame, WH 52	St. Bernard 46
	S East Windsor 53	Cromwell 48		II Windsor 59	West Haven 57 (OT)
2007-08	LL Crosby 82	Trinity Catholic 79		III Bunnell 45	Lewis Mills 40
	L Maloney 54	Lyman Hall 46		IV Innovation 55	Cheney Tech 48
	M Stratford 63	Hartford Public 55		V Old Lyme 55	Coventry 42
	S Bloomfield 78	Kolbe Cathedral 71			
2008-09	LL Windsor 72	Crosby 69			
	L Bulkeley 58	Torrington 57			
	M Sacred Heart 65	Bloomfield 59			
	S Cromwell 40	Hyde 34			
2009-10	LL Bridgeport Central 78	Hillhouse 66			
	L Stratford 51	New London 47			
	M Sheehan 72	Bloomfield 61			
	S Hyde 70	A.I. Prince 58			
2010-11	LL St. Joseph 79	Fairfield Prep. 53			
	L New London 63	N.W. Catholic 55			
	M Trinity Catholic 57	Career 51			
	S Valley Reg. 70	Classical 46			
2011-12	LL St. Joseph 62	Hillhouse 54			
	L Career 51	N.W. Catholic 49			

