



SSSAD ACTIVITY POLICY – VOLLEYBALL

1. Sport Committee - See SSSAD Constitution – Section E – Article 6.5
 - a. Create the Volleyball Sport Committee at the pre-season meeting.
 - b. A commissioner will be decided upon or announced at the pre-season meeting.
2. Sport Season
 - a. SHSAA – As defined by the SHSAA Policy for Interschool Competition and the SHSAA Calendar.
 - b. SSSAD – As Defined by the SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 15.7 - Competition Requirements.
 - i. **SSSAD Opening:** to begin on the first day of school.
 - ii. **SSSAD Closing:** concludes with the Provincial Final.
3. Student Athlete Eligibility
 - a. It is the responsibility of the participating school to ensure that each athlete meets the eligibility requirements of the SHSAA and SSSAD according to:
 - i. SHSAA – See SHSAA Bylaws – Eligibility of Student Participants
 - ii. SSSAD – See SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 13
 - b. **SHSAA Eligibility Forms (E5)** must be completed on the SHSAA website 24 hours prior to the first league game or scheduled event for the school. Additions and deletions to your roster may be made up to 24 hours prior to the provincial final.
 - c. **SSSAD Athlete Registration**, parent consent forms and waivers must be completed in full on the SSSAD website by the parent and athlete. Email confirmation must be received prior to participation in the sport.
 - d. **Playing Up - Junior/Blue/Green**
 - i. A Junior or Blue player may play up with the Senior Team for ONE league game or ONE tournament OR a Green player may play up with a Blue team for ONE game OR for ONE tournament (not including year-end tournament) for the purpose of completing a roster for competition purposes. In either case, if they play up for more than one game, they must remain on that team
 - ii. **For a player to play 'up' an E5A form must be submitted to the SSSAD office 24 hours prior to the game or event.**

4. Rules of Play

a. SHSAA – The SHSAA Volleyball Activity Guide will be followed

b. SSSAD exceptions:

i. SSSAD will follow the Canadian Volleyball Association Rules of the previous year unless otherwise agreed by the coaches at a pre-season meeting.

ii. **Team Size:**

1. The team size is unlimited, but coaches can only register 15 players per match as per CVA Rule of Play.

2. Team personnel on bench – a max of 15 players may be dressed for any match and these players must be recorded on the score sheet. All 15 may play in the match.

3. Maximum of 4 non-player personnel (including coaches) on the beach.

iii. In best of 3 play, there will be rally scoring to 25 with the third game to 15 and sides switching at 8 points. A team must win by 2 points and there is no point cap.

iv. In best of 5 play for playoffs, there will be rally scoring to 25 with the fifth game to 15 and sides will switch at 8.

v. The Volleyball Canada warm-up protocol related to the safety of participants will be implemented for all SHSAA sanctioned competitions.

vi. Red Card - modification of the CVA red card penalty box rule. In such case that an athlete receives a red card – that athlete will be ejected from the match and must leave the gym facility. The coach and official will then follow SSSAD player ejection procedures.

5. League Structure

a. **Scheduling:** The scheduling committee and the Athletics Consultant will create a schedule and distribute it to the coaches prior to June 1.

i. **Re-Scheduling:**

1. May only be done under special circumstances through a mutual agreement of all teams involved and must be in consultation with the Athletics Consultant. The Officials Coordinator and the media must be advised well in advance of the schedule change.

ii. **Schedule Formats:**

1. **Tri-school meets and or quad school meets** - the draw based on a master schedule of successive years, will take into consideration:

a. A variation of three-school combinations

b. A balancing of home and away games

c. The number of 1st, 2nd and last games for each school in the schedule.

d. One or two gym schools

2. **Tris** - The basic scheduling of tri-school matches will schedule matches at hourly intervals of 6:15, 7:15, and 8:15. The second and third match may be advanced in starting time provided both teams have at least a 15-minute warm-up period prior to the match. The order of teams playing shall be:

a. Host team plays 1st and 3rd matches

- b. 2nd named team plays 1st and 2nd matches
 - c. 3rd named team plays 2nd and 3rd matches.
3. **Double Header** - In a schedule containing a double header format (with both boys and girls playing the same night) matches will be scheduled for 6:15 and 7:15 pm. If the double header is behind schedule, teams playing the late match will be granted a 15-minute warm up period prior to the start of the late match.
 4. **Singles** - The basic scheduling of a single match will be girls or boys at 6:15

b. Hosting School Responsibilities

- i. Provide proper equipment for the game.
- ii. Each school should make every effort to provide a good quality meet with proper net tension top and bottom.
- iii. Provide the proper number of trained minor officials.
- iv. Provide warm up balls.

c. League Standings

- i. For both Boys and Girls, league standings shall be determined on matches won. The winner receives two (2) points.

d. Playoffs

- i. City Championship host site will alternate between the top ranked Boys team and top ranked Girls team. The gate will be the responsibility of the host school
- ii. All game times will be 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm
- iii. **Playoff warm-up** - Teams will receive a 15-minute warm up following the Volleyball Canada warm-up protocol (related to the safety of participants)
- iv. **Best of 5** - In best of 5 play for playoffs, there will be rally scoring to 25 with the fifth game to 15 and sides will switch at 8.

v. Girls

Playoff Qualifier: 7 vs 10; 8 vs 9

The top 8 teams in the league make the City Playoffs.

Playoff Format – Straight Bracket Draw

¼ Finals - #8 at #1, #5 at #4, #6 at #3, #7 at #2

Semi Finals - Winner 8/1 vs winner 5/4 and winner 7/2 vs winner 6/3

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e. Tournaments & Travel

i. SSSAD Sanctioned Tournaments

Mustang Volley

Host School: Mount Royal

Tournament type: Invitational

Number of teams involved: 12 girls teams and 12 boys teams

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Selection of the Saskatoon teams will be based on a combination of the following

Criteria: league standings, coaches poll, officials poll, past performances, how it will affect the reputation of the sport for the school, number of times at the tournament previously, final decision by Mustang Volley Committee

TCU Guardian Cup Tournament

Host School: St. Joseph

Tournament Type: Invitational

Number of teams involved: 8

Selection Criteria: St. Joseph plus 2 Saskatoon teams (by rotation)

Dates: weekend following Thanksgiving

Bethlehem Stars Boys Invitational Tournament

Host School: Bethlehem

Tournament Type: Invitational

Number of teams involved: 8 teams – 2 pools of 4

Selection Criteria: Bethlehem plus 3 Saskatoon teams plus 4 outside teams

Dates: First weekend in October

ii. Travel

1. Not to exceed three "overnight" trips for competition (one out-of-province) in a season.
2. Travel for exhibition games, non-tournament or tournament to any point outside Saskatoon is unlimited but restricted to a 100 km radius of Saskatoon and where an overnight stay is not required. If a team exceeds the 100 km distance, then it will be designated as one of their three trips outside Saskatoon.

f. Protests

- i. Protests must follow CVA rules.
- ii. Refer to the SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 21 Protests

6. **Tie Breaking Criteria**

- a. Tie breaking criteria will follow CVA rules.

7. Awards

a. Trophies:

i. Girls

1. League Champion - the Joy Treleven Trophy
2. 5A City Champion - J.L.A. Trophy

ii. Boys

1. League Champion - no name
2. 5A City Champion - no name

b. Medals:

- i. 1st and 2nd place medals to be awarded

8. Discipline/Ejection

a. Breach of bylaws by students or teams – SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 20 – Breach of Bylaws

b. Player Ejection - SSSAD – See SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 17.4 – Conduct

- The head official shall complete an Officials Special Report Form (E9) found on the SHSAA website (under forms). The E9 Form must be emailed to the Athletic Consultant immediately following the game.
- Coaches are required to report the player ejection to the Athletic Consultant
- Such suspensions shall be automatic.
- An appeal may be submitted by email by the Head Coach, Athletic Director and Principal to the Consultant (Athletics) by 5:00 p.m. on the next school day.

c. Coach Ejection

- i. SSSAD – See SSSAD Bylaws – Section F – Article 17.5 - Conduct
- ii. SHSAA – See SHSAA Bylaws – Ejection of a Coach from a Contest

Playoff Draw * host is highest ranked team remaining * Top 8 make playoffs * Best of 5 match



