

# Junior Badminton Policy

Note: Unless stated different below, junior badminton policy will follow the senior badminton policy.

## 1. Season for Sports

a. Start date will be the same as the senior program and end with the year- end tournament.

# 2. Player Eligibility

- a. Students must be in their first or second year of high school.
- b. Students must be under 17 years of age as of August 31 of the school year.
- c. SHSAA Eligibility E-5 forms must be completed 24 hours prior to the team first competition or on/before the SHSAA Badminton deadline
- d. Students can play one match at the senior level without losing their junior eligibility. Once they play a second match at the senior level, they lose their junior eligibility.
  - i. An E-5A Junior Playing Up Form, must be filled out and submitted/faxed to the commissioner before a junior player may participate with the senior team.

### 3. League Structure

- a. As of 1999, a formal junior schedule shall be organized by the commissioner and the Athletics consultant. Schools are encouraged to provide a junior coach and a senior coach for their badminton program.
- b. The formalized schedule will be at the opposite site of the senior host school. E.g. senior schedule EH at HC, junior games are at EH. The schedule will run up to a specific date prior to the city year-end tournament schedule.

## 4. Junior City Championship

- a. A Junior Year End tournament will be run in the following categories: boys singles, girls singles, boys doubles, girls doubles, mixed doubles.
- b. Format for the Junior Tournament to be determined by the coaches at their preseason coaches meeting.
- c. For the City Championship because of the number of teams for each school and the format that when teams declare their championship athlete roster, they must also declare the coaches eligible to be on floor support for athletes. These coaches must have worked with their school program and athletes during the season.
- d. That Junior and Senior City Championships remain at Walter Murray and that a two-school annual and alternating rotation be established given the responsibility of hosting and providing students (Jr. for Sr; Sr for Jr and SPE students) and some staff volunteers for gate and the results table.
- e. For Junior City Championships, the team championship is determined by a point system of 5 for gold, 3 for silver, and 1 for bronze.

# 5. Entry

- a. Participants may enter only one category.
- b. Each school can enter 2 players/teams per category
- c. Players/Teams are to identified A or B. A players/teams will be the stronger players/teams.

#### 6. Tournament Draw

• The draw will be sent out each year by the Athletics Consultant

#### 7. Substitution

- a. The substitution of a player/team for the entered player/team, for illness, injury, or other unavoidable hindrance, can ONLY take place before the first match of that player/team.
- b. Once competition has started, NO SUBSTITUTIONS can take place.

# 8. Colors of Players Clothing

a. All competitors must dress in school uniform that reflects the school colors or otherwise predominately white uniform.

# 9. Ranking after the Round Robin

- **a.** City Championship
  - i. Pool Play Pool Placement will be determined as follows:
    - 1. Match
      - a. Win/Loss Record

- 2. In the event of a tie:
  - a. Two teams tied: The team that won the match between the two teams involved in the tie wins the tie breaker.
  - b. Three teams tied: The SHSAA Sport Policy for badminton will be used for breaking a tie of three or more teams.
  - c. If still tied, the winner will be declared by playing a single game to 11 points.
  - d. Once the three-way tie is broken, the match results between the remaining two teams will be used to determine the placement.
- ii. Team Championship If the final standings for the team championship result in a tie, the highest position will be given to the team with the greatest number of first place finishes followed by the team with the greatest number of second place finishes and so on.