

Volleygram #8 – 10/6/2025

It is hard to believe that we are headed into the final three weeks of the regular season. There is amazing volleyball being played across the state! Continue to turn in your Good Sportsmanship and Rookie of the Week information to Lana.

Thanks again for ALL that you do--"It Takes a Village"!

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Questions

1. When does the libero need to be listed on the roster? **Answer:** It depends if they have both a non-libero and libero uniform. The first number listed is their non-libero uniform and the second number listed is their libero number (e.g. 15/L4). If the libero uniform number is the same as the player's non-libero uniform number, it is not necessary to identify the libero number on the the roster. However, their libero uniform number must still be on the lineup. (**Rule book** page 32, 7.1 c).
2. When can music/sound effects be used? **Answer:** Prior to the start of the set, during warmups, during time-outs, between sets, and following the competition. The use of artificial noise makers shall be prohibited. (**Rule book** page 12 Section 8). This does not include the announcers saying things like: (ace serve by player name/number etc.). Also, video boards can flash things like (ace, kill, etc.), but they can not have music added to those clips. When issues can not be fixed, on the spot, like a video board then play the match and contact the WHSAA office. They will then follow-up with the school(s).
3. Do the officials need to control the use of electronic devices (e.g. cell phones, air buds, tablets, etc.) in regards to the benches? **Answer:** No, the WHSAA has ruled that the officials do not need to worry about the use of these items concerning personnel on the benches (e.g. players, managers, coaches etc.)
4. Can officials wear pink whistles and lanyards but not wear a pink shirt? **Answer:** Yes

Shoe issues: Coaches, by working together we are making progress across the state. Please check your athletes, as we want to have all of the illegal shoes addressed prior to post-season play!

1. What is deemed as illegal foot wear during warm-ups? Here are examples of what we frequently see that are not legal : socks, slippers, bare feet, high heels, sandals (including those with straps)-we are seeing a lot of slip on sandals like Uggs, Birkenstocks, etc. and they are not legal!
2. Shoe lace adornments that are made of metal and/or plastic are not legal. It is not legal to have any hard adornment on a shoe or shoe laces (even if the shoe is made that way from the manufacturer). Shoe lace clips, lace holders (even if the laces go thru them) must be removed. Also. any hard adornments such as beads are not legal on the shoes.

Mechanic Spotlight of the Week

These next few weeks will have many extra activities such as: Pink Night, Senior Night, Parent Night etc. These require us to be proactive prior to the start of a match. Here a

few reminders that can help alleviate stressful scenarios that could happen during the match.

- a. Check the team roster numbers with the player uniform numbers
- b. Double-check the lineup with the coach to be sure the numbers submitted are correct
- c. Be sure that the R2 checks the starting lineups on the court, prior to the first serve! Remember that the lineup sheets are listed in serving order. So, when you are checking the serve receive team you need to be sure that the first player listed is starting in RF. not RB, as they will rotate into serve.

Points-to-Ponder

1. RF on Team S attacks the ball to the floor for a point after which the RF; (a) steps completely over the center line; (b) touches the net. **Ruling:** (a) and (b) are legal. **Comment:** The ball must be in play for a net fault or line fault occur. (Case Book page 36, 9-3-3 g)
2. A ball landing near an end line is called "in" by the line judge,. The R1 observes the ball landed out-of-bounds. **Ruling:** Out-of-bounds; loss of rally/point. **Comment:** The R1 makes the final decision when there is a disagreement between officials.