

# **CARDINAL CLASH TOURNAMENT RULES**

## **Played at Annandale High School and Annandale Elementary**

**Minnesota State High School Rules will apply with the following modifications:**

**Game Length:** 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade – Two 20 minute running time halves until the last minute of the first half and the last 2 minutes of the game. Games may begin up to 10 minutes prior to the scheduled time.

**Overtime:** 2 minute stop time. If a 2nd overtime is necessary, it will be sudden death. If after the sudden death no one scores, it will be a free throw sudden death.

**Half Time:** Four minutes will be allowed at half time for all games. If games fall behind scheduled start times, half time lengths will be shortened at referee's discretion.

**Running Time:** If a team is ahead by 20 or more points with 10 minutes left in the second half, running time will begin. Lead must be reduced to 15 points before running time stops.

**Time Outs:** Each team is awarded 3 one-minute timeouts, and one only for overtime.

**Clock Operators/Scorers:** Clock operators will be provided for all games. The home team (bottom team in bracket or last listed) is responsible for providing the game ball. The away team (top team) is responsible for providing an adult to act as the official scorekeeper. The scorekeeper shall sit at the scorekeepers table.

**Warm-up Time:** A minimum of 5 minutes shall be allowed for warming up.

1. Teams must have 5 players to start a game. A five-minute grace period from the scheduled start time shall be allowed before a forfeit is declared. Also may be determined by the tournament manager.
2. Teams must have uniforms with readable numbers.
3. Repeated unsportsmanlike conduct by players, coaches, parents, or fans shall not be tolerated and the individual will be asked to leave the gym. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their fans. If a spectator refuses to leave, the game will be forfeited by the offending team.
4. Fouls:
  - a. Players foul out with five fouls.
  - b. Per MSHSL rules. (bonus on 7th team foul, two shots on 10th team foul).
  - c. Technical Fouls: Automatic two points and the ball. Two technical fouls on any player or coach will result in ejection from the game.
  - d. If a team only has 5 players left in the game, no player shall foul out of the game. Subsequent fouls on the player will result in two points and the ball. Just like in technical fouls.

5. The 27.5 ball will be used for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys and girls and 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls. The intermediate (28.5) size ball will be used for 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys, and 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls. The regulation (29.5) size ball will be used for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys.
6. Stepping/jumping over the free throw line in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade is allowed while shooting a free throw. Coaches can decide together if they'd like the line moved up as well.
7. No protests are allowed. All disputes will be settled by game officials or tournament supervisors.

**Defense: 3rd and 4th grade - person to person defense only.** No pressing in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> grade, except for the final two minutes of the game. Regular MSHSL rules apply for all 5th thru 8th grade divisions meaning no restrictions on full or half court defenses except that no full court pressing is allowed with a lead of 20 or more points. After the first warning, the penalty for each violation of this rule will be a technical foul.

**Non rule items:**

**\*\*2 coaches per team are free. Others pay regular admission to get into the tournament.**

- Each team is responsible for providing their own warm-up basketballs, first aid supplies, water bottles, tape, etc. Ice will be provided. We will have a trainer on site.

- **Dribbling in the concessions, commons, and hallway areas is prohibited. Please keep all basketballs with your team in ball bag. They will be taken away if out in the commons by tournament officials and can be picked up by the coach in the concession stand.**

- Please have your teams clean up the bench after each game.
- Concessions will be available during the entire tournament.
- Individual trophies (champion and runner up) or medals (3rd place in 6 or 8 team divisions and consolation champion in 8 team divisions) will be awarded. (*Up to 10 per winning team*)
- Cardinal Athletic Foundation is not responsible for any lost/stolen items.

**Thank you for your positive participation in this year's tournament!**