## 11/20/24 Basketball Memo

Games are beginning this week! IGHSAU pre-season rankings will be posted later this week! As the first couple of weeks of basketball have begun, the following will hopefully provide some clarification and information on a number of topics:

**E-MAIL ADDRESSES:** AD's, please make sure that your head girls' basketball coach has received this e-mail, and head girls' basketball coach, make sure your AD has received this e-mail. Please <u>send me</u> the name of the Coach/AD who has not received this e-mail along with the name of the school they are with along with the e-mail they want me to enter into the database (be sure to update the directory in Bound). A reminder: viewing of the required online rules meeting by the Head Coach must be completed prior to your 1<sup>st</sup> competition!

The final classification for girl's basketball will be posted this Thursday, November 21 on the IGHSAU website. As you know these classifications are used for the post-season regional assignments. After this Thursday, please check the classification list. If your school is not listed or not listed correctly, please contact me at the IGHSAU. If your school is interested in hosting post-season games, please remember to submit your request to host on Bound – basketball site availability. Please be accurate on requested info.

As noted below this year the following procedure will be used for posting games:

• This year, the IGHSAU has implemented a "state-wide" pool with HUDL for all schools for film exchange. For those schools that did not view the Zoom with HUDL, the video on HUDL process will be posted on the IGHSAU website this week. Games must be posted by noon the day following your game.

As many of you know, basketball participation numbers have declined in certain schools and in certain programs. The IGHSAU is making that discussion a focus – as a result of that, the IGHSAU will be conducting a survey during the season to gather some information from schools. Following that, the IGHSAU will have a Task Force consisting of different groups to discuss this topic and hopefully develop some strategies locally and statewide to counter this concern in girls basketball. Stay tuned!!

As you know the individual participation for the student/athlete has been as follows: 0-2 quarters in a day – counts as 0 games; 3-6 quarters in a given day counts as 1 game, and 7 or 8 quarters of competition by an individual in a given day counts as 2

games. MANY TIMES YOU HAVE A PLAYER THAT IS REALLY A JV PLAYER ONLY PLAY IN 2 QUARTERS DURING THE JV GAME BECAUSE YOU COULD POSSIBLY HAVE THAT PLAYER PLAY IN THE VARSITY GAME DUE TO FOUL TROUBLE. ONE CHANGE WE ARE MAKING FOR THIS SEASON IS ALIGN BASKETBALL WITH WHAT WE DO IN VOLLEYBALL FOR PARTICIPATION. EACH ATHLETE IS ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN 21 GAMES AT EACH LEVEL – NO RESTRICTION EACH DAY. THIS HOPEFULLY WILL ALLOW THOSE JV PLAYERS TO PLAY A FULL JV GAME AND THEN BE AVAILABLE FOR THE VARSITY GAME AS NEEDED!!

You have two options for basketball scoresheets – you can either download them from the IGHSAU website – go to Coaches and administrator's tab, then basketball, then download the scoresheets OR you can request the IGHSAU to mail you 100 scoresheets at a cost of \$5.00 plus shipping; scorebook covers for \$8 each plus shipping (includes 20 scoresheets). Please email Gary Ross if you would like to purchase the scoresheets or covers (gross@ighsau.org) or complete the order sheet (here).

Any questions, please contact me at gross@ighsau.org. Have a great season!

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