The road to state begins tonight! First round competition begins tonight with classes 1A, 2A, 3A. Regional volleyball continues with classes 4A and 5A starting tomorrow night.

**Regional Match Officials** – To view your officials, click on Game Assignments in your Dragonfly account. Then click on your match and select MANAGE PLAYOFF GAMES on the right (you may need to click on match details at the top to see MANAGE PLAYOFF GAMES). Select your match again and then select Officials & Workers at the top right. Currently you cannot access the officials’ contact information (Dragonfly is working to activate this feature ASAP). If an official’s contact information is not listed, please contact Sherry Tegtmeier at 515-401-1839 or sherry@ighsau.org and she will get you the contact information.

**Regional Volleyball Live-Streaming Guidance** – Schools are required to pay a fee to broadcast or live-stream IGHSAU postseason volleyball. Here is the link for the streaming policy, fee and application on the IGHSAU website: [https://www.ighsau.org/about/media-affiliations/](https://www.ighsau.org/about/media-affiliations/). Please contact Jason Eslinger with questions pertaining to live-streaming information at jasoneslinger@ighsau.org or 515-401-1836.

**Regional Tickets** – Host schools must use online ticket sales for all IGHSAU Regional matches. Schools may use their school’s regular season online ticketing platform, use HomeTown ticketing platform to remain consistent with postseasons for the IGHSUA and IHSAA or use the Varsity Bound ticketing platform. Varsity Bound setup all postseason matches to have the ticket money passed on to the IGHSUA. If you choose to use Varsity Bound ticketing platform, contact Todd at Varsity Bound for more information at Todd@varsitybound.com.

Regional tickets are $6 (before online fees) for everyone kindergarten-age and older.

**QuikStats** – Coaches must keep statistics updated during Regional play. Stats should be updated on QuikStats by noon the following day during Regional play.

**Regional Host Site Responsibilities** – Hosts should contact the participating schools prior to the match with details concerning the match at their facility. Hosts should contact the participating schools for information if a program is printed. Host sites must have a **Spalding TF-VB5** volleyball for all Regional matches (multiple ball rotation is recommended).

The IGHSAU will assign the R1 and R2 for all Regional matches and will ONLY assign line judges for the semifinal and final matches. Host sites are responsible for finding line judges for all other rounds. Please have local line judges wear neutral attire when working Regional volleyball matches.

Host managers must submit the final score **IMMEDIATELY** following the match into Varsity Bound (as you have done all season). The score will automatically update the Regional brackets when entered into Varsity Bound.

**Regional Final Hosting Packets** – Packets will be sent out to the Regional Final tournament managers via UPS on Friday, October 22 and Monday, October 25. The Regional Final host packet includes: state qualifying medals, banner, Sportsmanship Award information (see additional info below), Ticket Punched signs, packet for State Qualifying Athletic Director and a hosting checklist.

**Teams Advancing to Regional Finals** – Teams that advance to the Regional Final matches will be required to submit their team photo and team entry sheet for the State Tournament Program to the IGHSAU prior to their Regional final match. Additional information will be sent to teams advancing to the Regional Final match.
**State Qualifier Film Exchange** – Teams that advance to the State Tournament are required to exchange their Regional Final match film with their first-round opponent at the State Tournament. Varsity Bound created a Filmroom feature to assist state-qualifying schools with the exchange process. All schools are welcome to use the Filmroom feature during the postseason, however only the State Qualifying schools will be required to exchange match film. Click here for information on Varsity Bound’s Filmroom feature.

**2021 State Tournament Schedule** – Click here to view the 2021 State Tournament schedule or view it on the IGHSAU website in the Volleyball section located under the Coaches & Administrators tab.

**Officials Recommendations** – Varsity coaches are required to submit the names of up to twelve officials they want to recommend for tournament assignment. This must be submitted electronically by December 4th (30 days after the State Volleyball Tournament). Information regarding the online recommendation process will be given to your athletic director and is outlined in the online rules meeting. Failure to submit the recommendations will result in the head coach from that school not being allowed to coach in the post-season tournament series the following year. Varsity coaches may also submit the names of up to three “up and coming” officials. Tournament assignment will be made from this list – compiled from most to least recommendations received.

Best of luck on your road to State!

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