



Volleyball State Championship Tournament

November 9–12

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. NFHS volleyball rules will apply to the DCSAA Championship unless otherwise noted.
- B. Schools choosing to enter the DCSAA Volleyball Championship have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations of this bulletin.
- C. Eligibility rules for all participants can be found in the new 5F DCMR; Chapter 27 at DCSAASports.org.
- D. As allowed in the National Federation rule 1-7-1, note 1, by state adoption, schools will play a five (5)–game match in which a team is considered the winner of the match when it wins three (3) games.

II. MaxPreps TEAM ACCOUNT - REQUIRED

- A. All teams vying for a spot in the 2021 DCSAA Volleyball Championship must submit their scores to MaxPreps after each game in order to confirm regular season standings and manage the postseason point systems for qualification to state championship tournaments. **Teams that do not submit their scores regularly will not be eligible for the State Tournament.**
- B. MaxPrep Setup:
 - 1. Go to MaxPreps.com and click on “Join” in the top right corner. Select the “AD/Coach Account” option.
 - 2. Enter your email address and text from the image displayed. On the next screen, fill out the required fields.
 - 3. If you have an Access Code, please enter it when prompted. (If you do not have an access code, don't worry - you can request one after registration is complete.)
 - 4. To complete the form, click “**Create Account**”. You are now a MaxPreps member!



5. If you still need your Access Code, click on "**Set up Admin Accounts**" on the following confirmation page.
 6. On the next screen, click on "**Request Access**". The MaxPreps support team will get back to you within 24 hours of receiving your request with the Access Code for your team or school.
- C. MaxPreps members - Please complete the following steps:
1. Click on "**Hi, [Your First Name]**".
 2. On the next page, click on "**Set up Admin Accounts**" under Admin Accounts.
 3. If you have an Access Code, enter in the text box provided.
 4. If you do not have an Access Code, click on "Request Access". The MaxPreps support team will get back to you within 24 hours of receiving your request with the Access Code for your team or school.

III. SUBMISSION OF SCHEDULES, ROSTERS & GAME RESULTS

- A. After signing into your MaxPreps Membership account, place your mouse over "Hi, [Your First Name]" and click the link for your team under "Coach Accounts" to be directed into your admin.
1. Click on "Roster" or "Schedule/Results" in the blue header of your team's admin to access that section.
 2. To enter your schedule under the "Schedule/Results" link, click on the green "Schedule a Game" button.
 3. To enter your results, click on the button under "Add/Edit" next to the specific game.
- B. Technical Assistance:



1. If you have any questions, please email support@maxpreps.com or give them a call at 800-329-7324x1 and their support team will be more than happy to help! You can also contact MaxPreps District of Columbia rep Eric Frantz eric.frantz@cbsinteractive.com

IV. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

A. Tournament Organization

1. The DCSAA will conduct a twelve (12) team volleyball tournament that will include public schools, public charter schools, independent schools and parochial schools located in the District of Columbia.
2. The dates for the tournament are: **November 9–November 12**. Matches on **November 9– November 11** will be played at the higher-seed's home court. The championship match will be played on **November 12**, location TBD.
3. The bracket will be promulgated on **Thursday, November 4**.
4. If the higher seed does not have a home court they will be responsible for finding a location that meets NFHS standards.
5. It is the responsibility of the host school to provide and enforce crowd control measures.
6. Wilson (H7700X) volleyballs will be provided for the championship match.
7. Home teams are responsible for providing an athletic trainer - DCSAA will provide a trainer for the championship match.
8. Each participating school must have played a minimum of fifteen (15) regular season matches prior to the submission of official records on **November 2** in order to be eligible for a position in the State Tournament. If a team plays fewer than fifteen (15) matches its index will be calculated by dividing the total number of points by fifteen (15). *Subject to the discretion of the DCSAA executive director if extenuating circumstances occur.*



B. Automatic Bids

1. Teams located within the District of Columbia that are members of the following leagues: the Independent School League (ISL), Public Charter School Athletic Association (PCSAA), and the District of Columbia Public School League (DCIAA) that have a minimum of three (3) teams located within the District of Columbia are eligible to receive an automatic invitation to the DCSAA Volleyball Tournament.
2. The DCIAA and PCSAA tournament champions will receive the automatic bid for those respective conferences. If a DC-based WCAC, PVAC, or ISL team wins its conference tournament, then that team will receive the automatic bid for its conference, otherwise the automatic bid will go to the team with the highest point index as calculated below based on regular season records.

C. If the two top District of Columbia teams of a conference end the season tied in the point index at the end of the regular season the following will be used as the tiebreaker:

1. Head to Head - If team A beats team B during the regular season then team A will advance.
2. Set Differential – If a team wins forty-five 45 sets during the regular season, but loses twenty (20) sets, its set differential is +25. (win percentage is $45/65 = .692$) This will be based on regular season games.
3. Point Differential - If a team scores 1125 points during the season, but its opponents score 800 points against them, its point differential is +325 ($1125/1925 = .584$ percentage). This will be based on regular season games.
4. If teams are tied after all of the above, a coin toss will determine which team will get the automatic bid.

D. At-Large

1. The remaining slots for the tournament will be at-large and will be selected based upon the point index for each team as calculated below.



E. Point Index

1. A team will receive three (3) points for each regular season win.
2. No points for a loss.
3. A bonus point for playing an opponent whose regular season final record is .501 or better regardless of the outcome of the match.
4. Two bonus points will be given for playing a team whose regular season final record is .701 or better regardless of the outcome of the match.
5. In order to receive points for playing teams above .501 or .701 winning percentages – the opponent must have played a minimum of fifteen (15) matches.
6. The maximum amount of points available for any contest is five (5).
7. ***Bonus points will not be awarded if you play an opponent more than two times. A team will still be awarded three (3) points for a win regardless of the number of times the teams play.***
8. The point index will be determined by dividing the total number of points accumulated by the number of regular season matches.
9. The remaining teams with the highest point index will be granted entry into the DCSAA tournament.
10. If a tie exists, entries will be determined by results of head to head competition.
11. If a tie still exists after considering head to head competition, entries will be determined by the team with the highest bonus point percentage. The bonus point percentage will be determined by dividing total number of bonus points by number of regular season matches.
12. If teams are tied after all the above, a coin toss will determine who will get the automatic bid.



13. If more than two teams are tied, a blind draw will be used to determine who will get the automatic bid.

F. Playing Rules

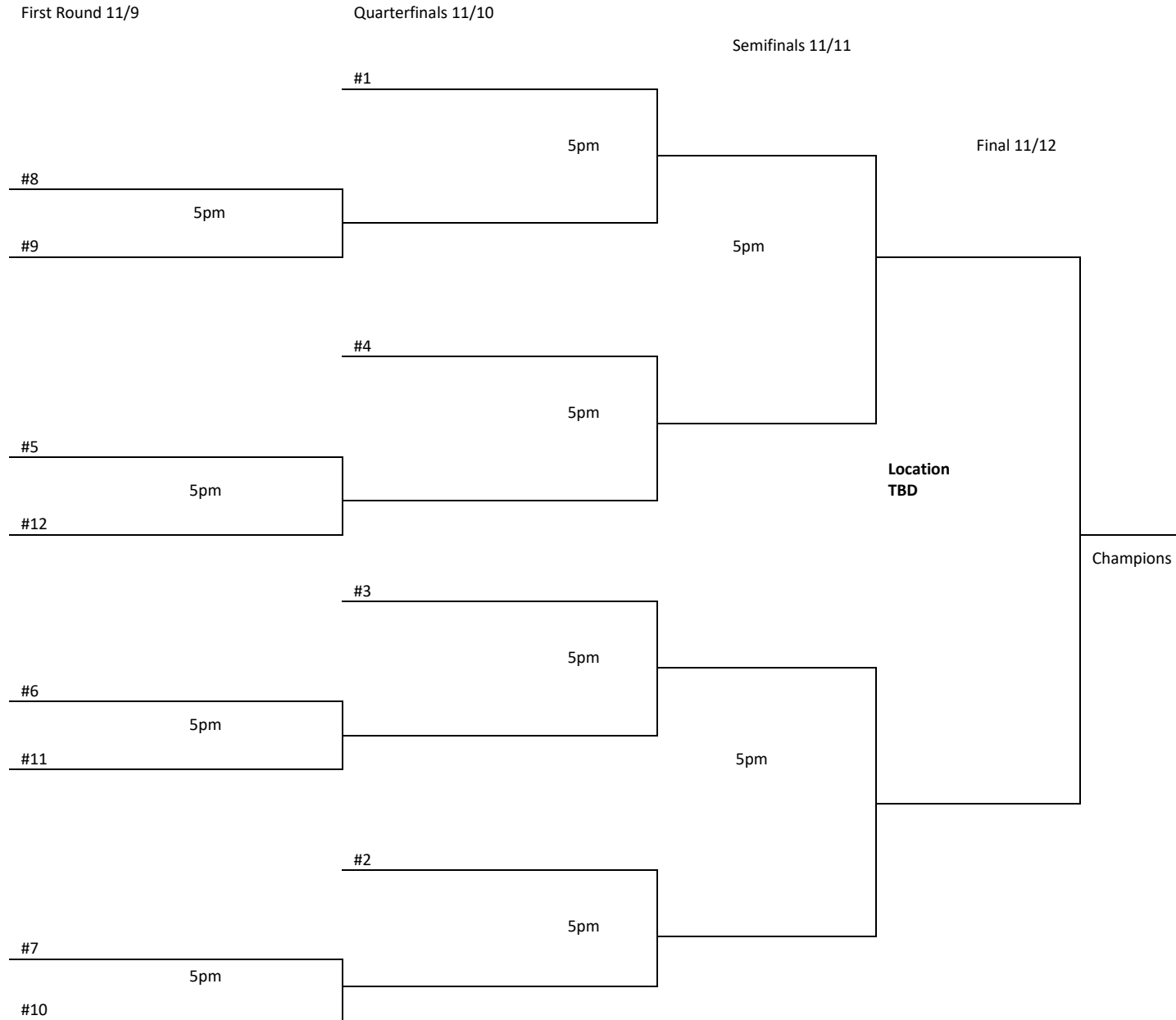
1. DCSAA will provide state certified officials for all tournament matches. Home teams must provide:
2 Line Judges
Scorekeeper
Assistant scorekeeper, Scoreboard operator
2. For the championship match DCSAA will provide the following officials:
First Referee (R1)
Second Referee (R2)
2 Line Judges
Scorekeeper
Assistant scorekeeper, Scoreboard operator
3. Ball handling is permitted prior to the official warm-up. Use of half court only is permitted with no over-the-net play when **both** teams are present.
4. Official warmups shall consist of:
 - a. Only the official team party's uniformed members, managers and coaches shall assist with the warmups in any manner, including tossing, feeding and retrieving volleyballs.
 - b. Fifteen (15) minutes of shared court time (use of half court only, no over-the-net play).
 - c. At 13:15 on the clock the referees whistle and warn both teams that exclusive use of the court by the serving team is about to happen
 - d. At 13:00 the clock operator signals the horn to commence exclusive use of the court by the serving team
 - e. At 7:15 on the clock the referees whistle and warn both teams that exclusive use of the court by the receiving team is about to happen
 - f. At 7:00 the clock operator signals the horn to commence exclusive use of the court by the receiving team
 - g. At 1:15 on the clock the referees whistle and warn both teams that exclusive use of the court by the receiving team is about to end



- h. At 1:00 the horn sounds to end exclusive use of the court by the receiving team.
- i. At 0:00 the horn sounds and players report to the end lines for player introductions and national anthem.



Volleyball Tournament Bracket:



Note: First round, quarterfinal and semifinal matches will be played at the higher-seed's home court.