



**TO: BASKETBALL COACH**

**FROM: JERRY SCHNIEPP, COMMISSIONER  
JOHN LABETA, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2014**

**RE: 2014-15 SAN DIEGO CIF BASKETBALL PRESEASON BULLETIN**

1. **PRESEASON ADVISORY MEETING**  
**October 22, 2014** - 4:30 p.m. at the San Diego Hall of Champions, Board Room.
2. **POST-SEASON ADVISORY MEETING**  
**March 26, 2015** - 4:30 p.m. at the San Diego Hall of Champions, Board Room.
3. **OFFICIAL PLAYOFF BASKETBALL**  
**Rawlings** has graciously entered into an agreement with the San Diego Section. **Rawlings** will be providing all of the section playoff basketballs and will be the Official Basketball for the 2015 San Diego CIF Section Basketball Playoffs.
4. **2014-15 BASKETBALL RULES BOOK**  
Enclosed for boys' and girls' head varsity basketball coaches is a complimentary copy of the 2014-2015 National Federation Basketball Rule Book. It is the official rule book for the CIF and will govern all interscholastic basketball competition in the San Diego Section unless otherwise provided in the Green Book or this bulletin. Please note carefully the rule book changes from those by which the CIF operated during the 2013-14 season.
5. **GREEN BOOK**  
Coaches are advised to review general eligibility rules as well as special basketball rules listed in the 2014-2015 CIFSDS Green Book. Copies of the Green Book are made available to school administrators in August. For more information contact your school administration or go to the CIFSDS under Green Book at [www.cifsds.org](http://www.cifsds.org).
6. **RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES FOR GAME MANAGEMENT**  
The form titled *Recommended Guidelines for Game Management* is available online under Forms at [www.cifsd.org](http://www.cifsd.org).

7. **ORGANIZED TEAM PRACTICE**

The starting date for official before and after-school basketball practice is **Saturday, November 15, 2014.**

8. **MAXIMUM CONTESTS**

San Diego CIF basketball teams will be permitted to compete in a number of contests and tournaments totaling 20 points (each contest counts as one point and each tournament counts as two points). Each school may participate in a maximum of three tournaments in a season. If you are scheduled to play teams in a tournament that are from outside the State of California, or outside the country, verify that it has been sanctioned prior to any competition. Additionally, each team is permitted to participate in a maximum of two scrimmages. No scrimmage may be conducted after a school's first contest.

9. **COMPETITION DATES**

**November 26, 2014** - First possible interscholastic scrimmage.

**November 28, 2014** - First possible interscholastic contest.

**February 20, 2015** - Last possible pre-playoff competition.

10. **"ETHICS IN SPORTS" POLICY**

Coaches are reminded of the "ETHICS IN SPORTS" Policy:

**EJECTION POLICY:**

Any player whose conduct merits ejection from a game by an official for acts of *gross unsportsmanlike conduct* shall be disqualified from participating in the remainder of the game and will be subject to the following penalties:

In all sports with the exception of football, the penalty will be ejection from that contest and a 3 or 6 game/match suspension; in the sport of football, the penalty will be ejection from that contest and a 3 game suspension.

Any athlete ejected for act of this nature is required to meet with the CIFSDS Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner at an agreed upon time prior to returning to play.

Ejections for reasons other than "gross unsportsmanlike conduct" will result in a penalty of ejection from that contest and a one (1) game/match suspension. A one game suspension may not be appealed.

After the suspension from play, the student may only return after certification by the school principal or his/her designee that the student(s) has completed a conference with a school administrator. The appropriate form indicating the completion of the conference must be filed with the San Diego Section office prior to "rejoining the team" ("rejoining the team" is in reference to competition, not practice).

A second ejection from a game or contest will cause the student to be suspended for the remainder of the season. Participation of a player who was ejected from a previous contest, who knowingly or unknowingly participates in the next contest, will result in the forfeiture of that contest.

Players are permitted to practice with the team and attend contests, but not in game uniform, during the period of suspension.

A copy of the revised policy must be signed by each coach, athlete and parent/guardian before attending or participating in a contest. The signed copies are to be filed at each school site, and each Principal is to forward a compliance form to the CIFSDS Office.

NOTE: Compliance form due dates are as follows:

**Fall Sports = September 1, 2014; Winter Sports = November 24, 2014; Spring Sports = March 2, 2015.**

11. **REMINDER - COACHING COMPENSATION (CIF STATE BYLAW 507)**

**A coach shall not be reimbursed for coaching services from any source other than the school funds without the approval of the school's governing board, nor be subject to any bonus arrangement dependent upon the success of the school's team.**

12. **COACHING CERTIFICATION**

All coaches (paid or unpaid) must be certified in coaching education. Coaches may become certified online for a fee of \$52.00 or in a classroom setting by one of California's instructors. For information, go to State CIF website [www.cifstate.org](http://www.cifstate.org) and click on one of the following links:

- About CIF Coaching Education Program
- CIF/NFHS Online Coaching Education Course (\$52.00 per coach)

13. **SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT/INVITATIONAL EVENTS**

**CIFSDS SANCTIONING - CIFSDS will sanction tournaments/invitational when invited schools are from California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, or Mexico and/or from non-border states when invited schools are eight (8) or fewer or invited states are five (5) or fewer. New CIFSDS sanction application is on website [www.cifsd.org](http://www.cifsd.org) - Tournaments.**

CIFSDS sanction is necessary for all tournaments at all levels (Varsity, JV, Frosh, and Club). Tournament/Invitational Directors must provide the assignment secretary with a sanction number (issued by CIFSDS office) **before** officials may be assigned. Please check the CIFSDS website at [www.cifsd.org](http://www.cifsd.org) under Tournaments, for approved sanction numbers.

**REMINDER - Sanctioning deadline for CIFSDS applications for fall sports is June 1; Winter sports are September 1; and spring sports are December 1 (\$25 sanction fee). A \$100 late fee will be assessed after the deadline for a total of \$125.**

**NFHS SANCTIONING - Sanction requests involving more than five (5) non-border states or more than eight (8) schools from non-border states and/or schools from foreign countries (excluding Canada and Mexico) must be sanctioned online through NFHS. For sanctioning procedures go to [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org). NFHS will notify the CIFSDS office when the sanctioning process is completed for CIFSDS schools and will post approved events on their website.**

Please call the CIFSDS office 858-292-8165 x 11 or email [carltoncifsd@gmail.com](mailto:carltoncifsd@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

14. **PLAYOFF FORMAT**

The 2014-15 San Diego CIF Boys' and Girls' Basketball Playoffs will be conducted in Six competitively based divisions.

15. **TENTATIVE PLAYOFF DATES AND SITES**

- A. **First Round Division I-V** at higher seeded home school sites at 7:00 P.M.  
Boys – **Tuesday, February 24, 2015**  
Girls - **Wednesday, February 25, 2015**
  
- B. **Quarterfinals Division I-V** at highest seeded home school sites at 7:00 P.M.  
Boys - **Friday, February 27, 2015**  
Girls - **Saturday, February 28, 2015**
  
- C. **Open Division –7:00 P.M.**  
Boys - **Friday, February 27, 2015**  
Girls - **Saturday, February 28, 2015**
  
- D. Semi-Finals **Division V** at highest seeded home school sites at 7:00 P.M.  
Boys - **Friday, February 27, 2015**  
Girls - **Saturday, February 28, 2015**
  
- E. **Semifinals Division I-V** at higher seeded home school sites at 7:00 P.M.  
Boys/Girls **Division I-IV- Tuesday March 3, 2015**  
(Open) Boys & Girls - Wednesday **March 4, 2015**
  
- F. **Finals for Division V**  
**Date: Thursday, March 5, 2015**  
**Location: TBA**  
Girls- 5:00 P.M.  
Boys- 7:00 P.M.

**The following schedule is subject to change based on the availability of the arena:**

**Session I – Friday, March 6, 2015**

11:07 a.m. Division IV Boys  
1:07 p.m. Division IV Girls  
3:07 p.m. Division III Boys

**(Facility will be cleared before evening games)**

**Session II – Friday, March 6, 2015**

6:07 p.m. Division II Boys  
8:07 p.m. Division I Boys

**Session III – Saturday, March 7, 2015**

11:07 a.m. Division III Girls  
1:07 p.m. Division II Girls  
3:07 p.m. Division I Girls

**Session IV –Saturday, March 7, 2015**

6:07 p.m. Open Division Girls  
8:07 p.m. Open Division Boys

16. **OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION - CONTACTS**

**San Diego County Basketball Officials' Association:**

Bill Herzog, Assignment Secretary – [whertzog1@gmail.com](mailto:whertzog1@gmail.com) or 619-252-4717 (cell)

**North County Basketball Officials' Association:**

Gordon Torigoe, Assignment Secretary - [GTorigoe@ncboa.net](mailto:GTorigoe@ncboa.net)

**Imperial Valley Officials' Association - Basketball:**

Ric Labrada, Assigner - [rlabrada@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rlabrada@sbcglobal.net) or 760-554-1209

17. **ACCOMMODATIONS FOR OFFICIALS**

Coaches and Athletic Directors are asked to continue their efforts to provide professional assistance to officials who work their games. This would include meeting the officials upon arrival and escorting them to their dressing area as well as escorting them off the floor at half-time and at the contest's conclusion. School personnel other than the head coach should be designated to stand by with a key to the official's room, or the officials should be given a key. On-site staff should be aware of and observe the privacy of the officials' locker room/dressing area. Thank you for your cooperation. **NOTE: The CIFSDS will continue the pre-game "Pursuing Victory with Honor" conference this season.**

18. **REMINDER TO ALL GAME ADMINISTRATION, OFFICIALS, COACHES, AND PLAYERS – BENCH DECORUM RULE IS TO BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

19. **HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM**

The CIF-San Diego Section is beginning its **18th** year of a High School Sports Sponsorship Program to help offset the ever-increasing costs of conducting section championships in all sports. The purpose of the program is to seek and solicit support (financial, products, or services) from individuals, organizations, and/or businesses desiring to sponsor CIFSDS activities; whereby the CIFSDS provides specific sponsorship acknowledgment. The goal of the High School Sports Sponsorship Program is to have each of the 24 section-approved sports sponsored by a wide range of the San Diego community. For an application or more information on the sports sponsorship program, please contact the CIF-San Diego Section office or visit our web site at [www.cifsd.org](http://www.cifsd.org).

Attachments: Coach/Athletic Director (2); Others (1)

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