



## 2023-2024 South Fayette Boys Tip-Off Tournament

Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>-Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

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### Tournament Rules

- 1) All Games 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> will be two 16-minute halves. The clock will run at all times except for foul shots and timeouts. The clock will also stop on all whistles during the last 2 minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> half. OT period will be 3 minutes (running clock except for foul shots, timeouts, and injuries). The final 1 minute of OT is stop clock on all whistles. We will continue overtime periods until a winner is established.
- 2) Ball Size: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 28.5" and 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade 29.5"
- 3) **4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade only man to man defense permitted** (including only man to man press--- pressing only permitted in last 2 minutes of each half and all of any OT period). **6<sup>th</sup> Grade is only man to man defense and pressing permitted at all times** (man to man only for pressing). **7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade can be man to man or zone defense** (pressing permitted at all times man to man or zone)
- 4) Each team is permitted 3 time-outs per game and 1 time out in each OT period. All time outs will be 1 minute in length. Warm ups will be 5 minutes before start of game. Halftime will be a 3-minute break period.
- 5) Only one coach standing per team. Only head coach may speak with referees. Each team is permitted 1 head coach and a maximum of 2 assistant coaches
- 6) Mercy Rule: If a 20-point lead is established at any time during the game, no pressing is permitted with a 20-point lead (clock will continue to stop on time outs and foul shots only). If a lead shrinks to 10 points or less, pressing is permitted and clock will return to standard timing rules stated above.
- 7) ***Each Team will provide a book keeper and home team will be responsible for running the clock.*** Referees will have final say for all in-game rulings (clock issues, disputes, etc). There will be no protests to end a game. All issues/rulings outside of game play will be made by the Tournament Committee and will be final.

- 8) Rosters must be submitted in advance to the tournament. No player may be rostered on 2 separate teams in the same division (example: A player cannot be rostered on 5A and 5B). Also, teams must be comprised of players from the same school or township (No AAU teams or cross-community teams permitted in tournament). If additional players are needed, a player from the same school/district may move up a division to play, but players are not permitted to move down.
- 9) Teams are comprised of A&B divisions in grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a guarantee of 3 games minimum for the tournament (2 pool play games and 1 bracket game). The winner and runner up of each bracket will be granted a ticket to attend the 2024 State Championship Tournament which will be held in State College, PA (March 22<sup>nd</sup>-March 24<sup>th</sup>)

### **Scoring Results and Seeding**

- Winning Team will report or text final scores of game to BJ Cernicky (412-925-6136) or Brandon Orosz (412-498-9436)
- At conclusion of pool play, all teams will be seeded. Seeds will fall based on:
  - Overall record
  - 1<sup>st</sup> tiebreaker Head to Head result
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> tiebreaker point differential
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> tiebreaker points against