

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES 2019

1. Lineups must be submitted to the score table 5 minutes prior to starting the game. Teams not on the floor 5 minutes after scheduled starting time forfeit.
2. Two 18-minute halves will be played with 3 minutes between halves. Clock is running time except for shooting fouls, time outs and last two minutes of the game.
3. Overtime will be one, 2-minute stop time period. If the score is tied after one over-time period, the second over-time period will be sudden death. The first team to score a point wins.
4. Each team is allowed three timeouts per game (1 minute each).
5. If a team is up by 20 points in the second half, the time will run and only stop for timeouts.
6. All students in good standing must play in game.
7. All Technical Fouls are awarded 2 points and the ball.
8. Boys will use a regulation size ball; girls will use a 28.5”.
9. All players must have on matching uniform tops with a number on the back and preferably on the front also.
10. Grades 6-8 all defenses allowed.
11. Full court press is allowed.
12. No full court press will be allowed by a team who has a 15 point lead or greater. (Must Fall Back)
13. No protests. Referees and tournament officials will settle disputes on the floor.
14. Each team must start with 5 players. If a team has less than 5 players, they will forfeit.
15. Penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct including, profanity from players, coaches or spectators:
 - ◆ first offense - warning
 - ◆ second offense – player/coach will be ejected from the game. If a coach is ejected from a game and there is no other adult available to finish coaching the game, the team will forfeit and the game will stop.
16. All other Minnesota State High School League rules will be followed.
17. Bring a copy of the rules to all games.
18. Please read the district philosophy (inside front cover) regarding Middle School Athletics.
- 19.** All teams should do their best to be 30 minutes early before their game begins.
20. A scorebook must to be kept by each team.