



2021-22 NJSIAA BOYS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

The NJSIAA reserves the right to adjust, change or cancel dates, times, and locations for all NJSIAA State tournaments. Schools entering the tournament will not be granted a change of date/time due to any conflicts with school trips, proms, banquets, SAT's, graduation, and the like. In addition, all schools competing in this tournament must adhere to the NJSIAA state tournament COVID-19 policy which can be found on our website under current resources or by following this link: <https://www.njsiaa.org/sites/default/files/documents/2021-11/njsiaa-state-tournament-policy.pdf>

Member schools not willing or able to comply with all tournament regulations should not enter the tournament. Member schools will not be eligible to participate in any NJSIAA Championship Tournament if it has violated the NJSIAA Constitution, Bylaws, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Policies, and Procedures.

In all tournaments conducted by the NJSIAA, each member school must compete in its own group and section classification, unless fewer than eight (8) schools qualify. In that case, the Executive Committee may combine one or more groups. When the committee eliminates sectional championships because of an insufficient number of schools qualifying, the State Group Championships will be conducted on a statewide quartile basis or State Championships may be conducted without regard to Groups or Division.

Coaches must have a copy of these regulations as well as a copy of rule Modifications (if any) for this tournament available at all contests. Copies of these documents are also available on the NJSIAA website.

All current NFHS boys volleyball rules along with any NJSIAA boys volleyball rule modifications, will govern all tournament games.

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New for This Year's State Tournament

Boys Volleyball Tournament Dates

<u>Event</u>	<u>Dates</u>	
First Practice:	March 11, 2022	
First Scrimmage	March 18, 2022	
Opening Day:	April 1, 2022	
Transfer Date:	April 1, 2022	
Intent Form Period:	May 1 - 10, 2022	
Cutoff:	May 12, 2022	
Conflict of Interest Form:	May 13, 2022	
Entries Close (by 12:00 pm):	May 13, 2022	
Seeding:	May 16, 2022	
Regular Season Competition Ends:	June 9, 2022	
Post-Season Committee Meeting:	June 15, 2022	
<u>State Tournament</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
Play-in Rounds by	May 23, 2022	Higher Seed
Round 1:	May 24, 2022	Higher Seed
Round 2:	May 26, 2022	Higher Seed
Round 3:	May 31, 2022	Higher Seed
Sectional Finals:	June 2, 2022	Higher Seed
State Semifinals:	June 7, 2022	South Brunswick H.S.
Group Finals:	June 9, 2022	South Brunswick H.S.

To Qualify

1. Teams must be competing on a varsity interscholastic basis.
2. Sixty percent (60%) of games played on or before the cutoff date must be against New Jersey schools.
3. All teams having a fifty percent (50%) or above winning percentage by the cut-off date will qualify for the tournament.
4. Teams must play a minimum schedule of twelve (12) matches by the cutoff date. Schools playing less than twelve (12) matches must add losses to reach the minimum.
5. If there are less than sixteen (16) teams with a fifty percent (50%) or above winning percentage, the remaining spots in the 16 team bracket will be filled by the volleyball seeding committee.
6. If there are more than sixteen (16) teams with a fifty percent (50%) or above winning percentage, there will be play-in rounds.
7. All out-of-state matches will count towards the team record only.
8. Matches played after the cutoff date will not count toward qualification.
9. Any player with two (2) or more disqualifications in the current season, prior to the start of the tournament, will be unable to compete in the state tournament.
10. Any varsity team accumulating three (3) or more player or coach disqualifications prior to the start of the tournament will not be permitted to participate in the state tournament. Seeded teams will forfeit their right to compete if a disqualification limit is reached prior to the start of the tournament for the team.

Entry Procedure

1. All varsity schedules & rosters must be entered in njschoolsports.com by the start of the season.
2. All varsity scores must be reported to www.njschoolsports.com as soon as possible after each contest. If you encounter problems, please contact hssupport@njadvancemedia.com.
3. Team records will be downloaded from njschoolsports.com on the date listed above at noon. The seeding committee will use this information to seed the tournament.
4. Coaches are reminded that all team information must be totally up to date and checked for accuracy.
5. The intent to enter form must be completed online during the intent form period listed above.
6. The Officials Conflict of Interest form must be completed by the date listed above.
7. Do not enter if your school is not able or willing to comply with tournament regulations. The Executive Committee of the NJSIAA has ruled that member schools failing to comply with all entry requirements may be excluded from the tournament.

Tournament Seeding

1. The volleyball seeding committee will seed all qualifying schools.
2. The qualifying schools in each section will be seeded using the following:
 - a. Rating Percentage Index (RPI)
 - b. Head-to-Head Results
 - c. Common Opponent Results
 - d. Win-Loss Record
 - e. Division Record
 - f. League/Conference Record
 - g. Strength of Schedule
3. Rating Percentage Index (RPI) assigns each team a value based on their strength of schedule. RPI is calculated by totaling the Power Rating Points for each win on a team's record and dividing by the total number of wins.
4. Any out-of-state school on a team's record form will not be included in the RPI.
5. Each win on a team's record is assigned a Power Rating value using the following formula:
 - a. Top 20% 20 pts.
 - b. Next 30% 14 pts.
 - c. Next 30% 8 pts.
 - d. Next 20% 2 pts.
6. Each section (North I, North II, Central & South) will also be seeded (as a whole) 1-4 which will be used for the state semifinals regardless of which teams come out of each section.
7. **The media may post brackets following the completion of the seeding meeting, however, seedings and brackets do not become official until 12:00pm on the day after seeding.**

Entry Fee

- \$90.00 Payable to the NJSIAA (Please note Boys Volleyball Tournament).
- Forward all entry fees to the NJSIAA, 1161 Route 130 North, Robbinsville, New Jersey 08691
- DO NOT use certified mail

Tournament Rules & Information

1. Game times for all games up to and including the sectional finals, will be designated by the higher seeded team. The recommended start time for school days is 4:30pm. For non-school days, times will be established by the home team.
2. All game times are pending the official's availability. Athletic Directors must communicate consistently through all rounds of the tournament regarding start times.
3. The NJSIAA may determine the start times if there is any disagreement with start times between schools.
4. Game times for the state semifinals and finals will be established by the NJSIAA.
5. All rounds are "play on" dates (Except the play-in round). Host schools must get approval from the NJSIAA to play these games on a different day.
6. If any circumstance causes postponement, the game must be played on the next day. If the next day is a Sunday, the game may be played if both schools are permitted to play on Sundays, otherwise, the game must be played on Monday. Non-NJSIAA tournament games must be moved.

7. Responsibility for postponing a game shall rest with the host school. It is recommended that the host school should notify their opponent before the departure of the visiting school's busses at the latest.
8. The NJSIAA and State Assignors must be notified of any postponement in a timely fashion.
9. After a second consecutive postponement of a game, the NJSIAA director of baseball may designate an alternate site which may include the opponent's facility.
10. The winning school must notify njschoolsports.com immediately after each game, which must include the pitch count information.
11. Sites will not be declared unsuitable unless Leagues or Conferences have ruled such sites unsuitable for League or Conference play.
12. The host school must provide an adequate amount of crowd control/security as needed based on the host school's facility. The visiting school must provide at least one (1) staff member, not associated with the coaching staff, to be present at each tournament game to assist on-site management in maintaining control of visiting spectators.
13. Any member school withdrawing from competition after having officially entered the tournament may be barred from participating in the tournament the next school year unless truly extraordinary circumstances were present.
14. Participation by an ineligible player in any game during the regular season results in forfeiture of said game. If such forfeit(s) would have caused the school's failure to qualify for the tournament or if an ineligible player participates in a tournament game, said SCHOOL will be disqualified from the tournament immediately and their last opponent will advance in their place. Schools eliminated prior to the last opponent will not re-enter tournament competition.
15. Schools will be asked to provide their own athletic trainers throughout the tournament.
16. The higher seeded team will provide a regulation MATCH ball. Wilson I-COR High-Performance volleyballs will be provided for use in the State Finals
17. The higher seeded team will provide regulation game ball(s). For the State Semifinals and Finals, the NJSIAA will provide Wilson K1 GOLD (red, white & blue) Model # WTH1895A1 balls.
18. Warm-up time will be 21 total minutes: 7 minutes general warm-up, 7 minutes full court (higher seed), and 7 minutes full court (lower seed).
19. All matches in the tournament will be two (2) out of three (3) sets and will be determined by rally scoring.
20. Each team must provide one (1) ball runner for each round.
21. The higher seeded team chooses the team bench and visiting team calls the coin toss.
22. Only players who are on the submitted roster will be allowed in with the team(s).
23. Only uniformed players and/or team personnel are allowed on the playing court during the team warmups.

Host School Assignment of Officials Procedure

1. Schools hosting the first three (3) rounds of the tournament are responsible for getting the officials using their local assignor.
2. The local assignor must be contacted ASAP as to the time and location of the game.
3. Schools are to treat these rounds like a regular-season game regarding the assignment of officials.
4. School/Coaches will not be permitted to request specific officials.
5. Any preferred or not preferred lists used during the regular season will not be used during the state tournament.
6. Only the conflict of interest form will be used to assign all tournament games. Assignors will be notified of this procedure.
7. Host schools for the first three (3) rounds must notify their assignors within a timely fashion prior to any change of game time and or site location.
8. If your local assignor will not be assigning the tournament games, please contact the state assignor ASAP.

State Assignor

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Assigning & Officials Fees

Rounds 1, 2 & 3 (including play-in rounds)

- Two (2) officials assigned by the host school's local assignor.
- Host school pays both officials at the area agreed-upon rate.
- Two (2) certified official line judges are recommended but not required for these rounds.

Sectional Finals

- The NJSIAA will assign and pay for all officials for this round.
- 2 officials at \$80 each
- 2 line judges at \$60 each

State Semis-Finals

- The NJSIAA will assign and pay for all officials for this round.
- 2 officials at \$80 each
- 2 line judges at \$60 each

State Finals

- The NJSIAA will assign and pay for all officials for this round.
- 2 officials at \$85 each
- 2 line judges at \$60 each

Tournament Schedule

State Semifinals	
South Brunswick H.S.	
June 7, 2022	
Seed #2 vs Seed #3	5:00pm
Seed #1 vs Seed #4	6:30pm

State Finals
South Brunswick H.S.
June 9, 2022
5:00pm

Awards

Sectional Champions:

A team trophy and twenty-five (25) certificates to each Sectional Championship in each Group.

State Champions:

A team trophy and twenty-five (25) certificates to the State Champion in each Group.