

November 3, 2024

Dear Athletic Directors and Volleyball Coaches,

I hope this letter finds each of you having survived the end of the 2024 volleyball regular season. Conference tournaments have come to an end meaning the VISAA Volleyball State Tournament begins. I wanted to reach out to provide all the details for this year's VISAA Volleyball State Tournament.

The VISAA Volleyball Committee has met and the final seeding and tournament pairings are complete. In selecting tournament teams, the committee considers a school's appearance in the top 8 of weekly polls during the regular season, a school's conference tournament result, the strength of a team's schedule, and the team's record versus ranked opponents during the season. Additionally the committee may also consider minimizing team travel time as well as avoiding conference match-ups in the first round.

This year's final seeding and tournament bracket can be found on the VISAA website at <u>https://visaa.org/2024-fall-brackets/2024-gvb-brackets</u>

Policy for postponed tournament games due to weather is that first round games not played Tuesday due to extraordinary circumstances must be played on Wednesday. If the Tuesday game cannot be played on Wednesday, the general committee reserves the right to advance the higher seeded team to the semifinal round. In the case that a semifinal game is not able to be played Thursday, the game must be played on Friday. If under extraordinary circumstances the semifinal game is unable to be played on Friday the committee reserves the right to advance the higher seed to the final. The schedule for the VISAA Volleyball State Tournament is included below. The committee suggests that the first round and semifinal games should be played at 5:00pm or 6:00pm. Ultimately, the decision is up to the athletic department of the participating schools. Please keep in mind that some teams may travel a number of hours for state tournament games. Once your game times are set the host school needs to email Aaron Gregory at <u>agregory@visaa.org</u> with the time of your game. This will ensure all games are populated into GoFan for ticket purchase.

Quarterfinals	Tuesday, November 5th	at higher seeds
Semifinals	Thursday, November 7th	at higher seeds
Finals	Saturday, November 9th	at The Steward School
Division II - 10:00 am		
Division I - 12:00 pm		
Division IV - 2:00 pm		
Divis	Division III - 4:00 pm	

VISAA All-State Nominations need to be complete by Thursday, November 7th. The google form to complete for All-State Nominations can be found here: <u>https://forms.gle/yrTEqE8oA6hH9HVZ9</u>

The VISAA website will post the All-State, Player of the Year, and Coach of the Year on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

Other information for your coaches and parents for the state finals:

1. Apparel will be sold at the championship site and will also be available on the VISAA website.

2. Tickets can be purchased for all VISAA Volleyball Tournament Games via GoFan. The link can be found on the front page of the VISAA website and is also included below. All games will be automatically populated once the game times are set. https://gofan.co/app/school/VISAA If you have any questions, please refer to the Sports Guidelines located on the VISAA website in the member's only section. Host schools should pay particular attention to the hosting procedures found in that section. There is information regarding admission charges and reporting procedures. Please be aware that not charging admission is not an option. A financial statement must be submitted within 7 days of the game. The forms needed to report after hosting a state game can be found at http://www.visaa.org/members/forms.

Please feel free to email me if you have any further questions. We are looking forward to an exciting tournament.

Sincerely,

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