Athletic Director Information
VISAA Girls Soccer Tournament

It is tournament time. There are several details that you need to be aware of so that everyone can stay informed and avoid confusion. If you have a question or want to clarify something please contact your regular committee rep (the one you’ve been reporting scores to) or Bob Leake (434) 385-3811; (434) 509-6911 with questions.

It is the responsibility of the two Athletic Directors involved in a match in the first round to contact each other and arrange details of the match. First round games in Division II between teams ranked 5-12 are to be played on Tuesday; suggested start time is 5:00 p.m. The higher seeded team is responsible for providing 2 competent ball runners and 3 game balls. Quarterfinal games are scheduled to played on Wednesday in both divisions. The host school must also secure and pay for 3 officials for the quarterfinals. No state tournament match may start until 3 officials are present. **Tickets must be sold for $5/person (including students) for quarterfinal matches.**

Please remember the VISAA admission policy

**VISAA Championship Event Admission Policy:**

All spectators over the age of six will be charged admission. Players, coaches, cheerleaders, school administrators and families of coaches involved in the contest will be admitted free but other school personnel, etc. will not be allowed in on passes. All other school personnel, faculty, students etc. and spectators must pay admission.

The admission fees will be:

- **$5.00** Admission to first round/quarterfinal events for spectators seven & above
- **$10.00** Admission for spectators seven and above to semifinal and final events
- **$20.00** Family Rate for first round and quarterfinal events (2 adults plus children)
- **$30.00** Family Rate for semi-final and final events (2 adults plus children)

Match results must be reported to the host school’s committee rep within two hours of the contest. Any ejections of players (name and number) or coaches must also be reported.

The semifinals will be played on Friday at 4:00 p.m. (Division I) and 6:00 p.m. (Division II) at Glover Park. The Division I finals are at 4:00 on Saturday. The Division I finals are at 6:00 Saturday. Tickets are $10/day for the semifinals and finals for all parents, students and fans. Family packages are also available at $30/day packages. The higher seeded team is responsible for providing 2 competent ball runners. Game balls for these rounds are provided. The higher seed will have choice of uniform jersey and must inform their opponents.
All matches will play two 40 minute periods. If it is tied, then two full 10 minute overtime periods will follow. If still tied then penalty kicks will decide the winner.

**Checklist for Hosting Athletic Director**

The following are basic responsibilities of the higher seeded school in hosting a VISAA Soccer Tournament match:
- Contact opposing school’s AD to set the time for the match
- Sell tickets (**$5/person, INCLUDING STUDENTS**) and submit a completed financial form to VISAA
- Secure officials - must have a 3 person crew for game to start
- Confirm use of a playable and safe **field that is a minimum of 110 yards by 60 yards**.
- Home School will wear their dark jersey color.
- Inform the officials that Modified FIFA rules will be played with some tournament rule modifications. These rules must be printed and at the table for the game.
- Provide 3 quality game balls and at least 2 competent ball runners.
- Contact soccer committee rep with the result of the match and any player or coach ejections (player name and number) within two hours of the completed contest.

**Modified FIFA Rules**

We will be using Modified FIFA rules except for the following modifications. If you have been playing with National Federation rules and are unfamiliar with the Modified FIFA differences, the following are the major changes.

- Substitutions are on goals, goal kicks and possession throw ins (if the other team is at midfield, they may come in, too)
- On a second caution (yellow card) it is a straight red and the team plays a player down.
- If throw in never comes in, it is a re-throw for that team
- If a player is cautioned (yellow card), the coach does not have to substitute the player. It is the coach’s option.

**Modifications for the VISAA Tournament matches (played with Modified FIFA Rules)**

- Substitutions on an injury or a caution are unlimited for both teams if they are at midfield waiting to come in.
- Play two 40 minute periods.
- If tied at the end of regulation, two full 10 minute overtime periods will follow.
- If still tied penalty kicks will decide the winner. Designate your first 5 kickers. If still tied, then designate your next 5 kickers who must be different kickers from the first set of 5 kickers. The second set of 5 kickers is sudden death. If still tied, then players from the first 5 kickers can be used again. The players do not have to be on the field at the end of overtime to participate in PK’s.
- When the full 80 minutes cannot be safely completed (e.g., due to a weather delay) the day it is scheduled, a game is considered complete after 60 minutes. A game that cannot be completed on the scheduled game day will be resumed on the next day from the point of stoppage.

Good luck to each school as you compete for the VISAA Girls State Soccer Championship.
Sincerely,

Bob Leake
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