2020 Boys Lacrosse Bulletin

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Boys Lacrosse Athletic Directors and Coaches:

On behalf of the Colorado High School Activities Association, I would like to personally welcome you all to the 2020 Boys Lacrosse Season. I look forward to working with all the coaches, administrators and officials throughout the upcoming season.

The online Bulletin is published yearly to offer information on the regular and post season, important dates, along with CHSAA and NFHS rules and procedures. It is your responsibility to review and make yourself familiar with the information contained within this Bulletin. Should you have any questions throughout the season, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. You will also be able to find relevant information on both the www.CHSAANOW.com and www2.CHSAA.org websites.

The 2020 CHSAA Boys Lacrosse State Championship will move to the University of Denver’s Peter Barton Lacrosse Stadium on Tuesday, May 26th. We look forward to an enhanced experience in a world-class facility.

Best wishes to all seventy-six of our CHSAA Member Varsity and Junior Varsity Boys Lacrosse Schools during the upcoming season. Hopefully it will be our best to date.

Sincerely,

Justin Saylor
Assistant Commissioner
Colorado High School Activities Association
2020 Boys Lacrosse Calendar

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**SEMIFINALS**
Saturday, May 23, 2020 at Legacy Stadium
4A games at 10:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
5A games at 2:30 and 4:45 p.m.

**CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at University of Denver Peter Barton Lacrosse Stadium
4A game at 5:00 p.m.
5A game at 8:00 p.m.

In case of inclement weather in first round through quarterfinal matches the host school will make all decisions regarding playability of the field before the scheduled match time and shall notify CHSAA of any decisions. All attempts to stay on the tournament schedule should be made and not jeopardize the safety of the participants.

**Important Reminders:**

1. Each coach must certify that players are properly and legally equipped.
2. Each player must have 5 days of practice before participating in a game or scrimmage.
MAJOR COMMITTEE CHANGES FOR 2020 BOYS LACROSSE

I. MAJOR CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR’S REPORT:

A. Move the 4A semifinal games to a neutral venue (effective immediately for the 2019 season).

II. RATIONALE:

A. To provide schools the opportunity to play at a stadium venue suited to host a semifinal game(s).

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Please note that the CHSAA staff continually updates the CHSAA Constitution and Bylaws when errors are found. The most updated document can be found at CHSAANOW.com, then clicking on CHSAA.org, Member School Info + Tools, then Bylaws.

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The CHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee’s mission is to provide information, vision and guidance to the CHSAA while emphasizing the health, and safety of students participating in interscholastic sports and activities. For more information about the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee, [click here](#).

**CHSAA Emergency Action Plan**

Every member school is required to create a venue-specific Emergency Action Plan (VEAP) for each site that the member school practices and hosts athletic contest. *(Please use this template that has been created for consistency)*.
LIGHTNING AND TORNADO POLICY AND PROCEDURES

DEFINITION

LIGHTNING
In the United States, an average of 300 people are struck by lightning each year. Of those struck, there are approximately 40 fatalities from lightning each year. Approximately 50-60% of lightning casualties occur during organized sports or recreational activities according to the National Weather Service. Most of these fatalities can be prevented.

Weather Apps
• It is strongly recommended that an independent and objectively verified weather app (such as the WeatherBug® SparkTM App, Storm by Weather Underground, or the National Weather Service app) be available at all outdoor activities, including practices and contests. This should be part of your venue-specific emergency action plan.
• Acceptable alternatives to the verified weather apps include but are not limited to: immediate contact with the local weather services, local television or radio. Access to these sources can be through the Internet, cellular telephone and/or any other means that provides the information needed for real time decisions to be made.

GUIDELINES/PROCEDURES
In your venue-specific emergency action plan, you must:

1. Assign a staff member to monitor local weather conditions before and during practices and contests. This staff member is designated to make the final call on suspending and resuming the game.
2. Develop an evacuation plan, including identification of appropriate nearby safer areas and determine the amount of time needed to get everyone to a designated safer area:
   a. Utilize announcements/public address announcer to help guide teams and fans to the appropriate shelter and identifying safe places as noted below.
   b. Safe locations need to be identified and shared with teams, spectators and workers prior to the start of the activity or athletic event.
   c. A designated safer place is a substantial building with plumbing and wiring where people live or work, such as a school, gymnasium, locker rooms or buses/cars. An alternate safer place from the threat of lightning is a fully enclosed (not convertible or soft top) metal car or school bus.
   d. Unsafe locations include but are not limited to: Picnic areas, parks, open sided shelters (dugouts), storage sheds, open garages, tents, press boxes, areas close to open water, tall objects such as trees, poles, towers, and elevated areas.
3. When a thunderstorm seems imminent, lightning is seen or heard, or the weather app indicates that lightning is within 8-10 miles, the outdoor venue (small or large) needs to be evacuated. Proceed to a lighting safe area.
4. Activities shall be suspended, and all personnel are directed to move to safe locations. The call to suspend activity due to close lightning should be based on how fast the storm is approaching and the amount of time it will take for event participants to take appropriate safe shelter. At a minimum, by the time the lightning storm has reached 8 miles away from the location of the outdoor activity, all individuals should have left the outdoor athletic site and reached a safe location. Weather monitoring subscriptions should be set at an 8-10 mile radius from the center of the sporting event (venue specific).
5. Criteria for suspension and resumption of play:
a. When thunder is heard or lightning is seen*, the leading edge of the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play for at least 30 minutes and vacate the outdoor activity to the previously designated safer location immediately.
b. 30-minute rule. Once play has been suspended, wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or lightning is witnessed* prior to resuming play.
c. Any subsequent thunder or lightning* after the beginning of the 30-minute count will reset the clock and another 30-minute count should begin.
d. When lightning-detection devices or mobile phone apps are available, this technology could be used to assist in making a decision to suspend play if a lightning strike is noted to be within 10 miles of the event location. However, you should never depend on the reliability of these devices and, thus, hearing thunder or seeing lightning* should always take precedence over information from a mobile app or lightning-detection device.

* – PER NFHS

At night, under certain atmospheric conditions, lightning flashes may be seen from distant storms. In these cases, it may be safe to continue an event. If no thunder can be heard and the flashes are low on the horizon, the storm may not pose a threat. Independently verified lightning detection information would help eliminate any uncertainty.

6. Review the lightning safety policy annually with all administrators, coaches and game personnel and train all personnel.
7. Inform student-athletes and their parents of the lightning policy at start of the season in your pre-season meeting.

**No App or Technology Available**

When a weather app is not available, the default NFHS policy that appears in the Rules Book of each sport shall be followed. In brief, that policy requires suspension of all activity when cloud-to-ground lightning is observed, or thunder is heard. If thunder is heard, lightning is assumed to be striking within 10 miles.

Implement the Thirty Minute Rule as noted in the NFHS Policy.

When activities are suspended, the following individuals shall be responsible for the safety of personnel:

* The head coach for players and other team personnel.
* Game management guiding spectators and personnel to safe areas
* The senior official for the officiating crew.
* All game management personnel, administrators, coaches and officials must be thoroughly familiar with the NFHS default policy as well as this policy.

**MANAGEMENT**

People who have been struck by lightning do not carry an electrical charge and are safe to be touched by others.

* Call 911
* If possible, an injured person should be moved to a safer location before starting CPR.
* Start cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).
* Lightning-strike victims with signs of cardiac or respiratory arrest need immediate emergency help.
* Activate the local emergency management system and utilize an AED if available. Prompt, effective CPR has been highly successful for the survival of lightning strike victims.
DEFINITIONS

TORNAADO
• Tornado Watch - indicates tornadoes are possible
• Tornado Warning - tornado siren sounds signaling tornado sighted or tornado indicated by radar

GUIDELINES/PROCEDURES

• Develop a tornado specific EAP for each venue or event.
• Designated weather watcher (above) notifies site or athletic director of approaching storm and communicates direction and speed of storm.
• If a tornado warning is initiated, immediate event delay should be implemented, and all participants, spectators and athletic staff should SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY. Once inside a secure location, tune to local weather alert radio to be informed of storm location, path and duration of tornado warning.
• Warning may be extended, or a new warning issued at any time, so continued monitoring is needed. During tornado warning, sirens will sound for 3 minutes at a time. Depending on duration of warning, sirens may re-sound multiple times.
• Safe shelter from tornado = inside lowest building level, away from exterior walls/windows, with windows closed. If outside, lie flat in a ditch or depression and cover head with hands or stay in a car with seatbelt on. Be aware of potential flooding. DO NOT take cover under an overpass or bridge. Never try to outrun a tornado in urban or congested areas. Be aware of flying debris.

All clear - tornado warning will expire after duration specified by National Weather Service and weather watcher notifies site director that warning has ended and event can resume.

REFERENCES

National Weather Service Lightning Safety Tips and Resources: https://www.weather.gov/safety/lightning
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration: http://www.noaa.gov
Sportsmanship Protocol at all CHSAA Contests and Activities

1. National Anthem
   o When the National Anthem is played or the Pledge of Allegiance is recited, students, fans, coaches and players should stand at attention, remove hats and face the flag.

2. Cheerleaders/Fans/Spectators
   o It is recommended that there be positive cheers only.
   o Only cheerleaders may use megaphones.
   o All patrons must wear shirts and shoes. Face painting is allowed.
   o Cheer and tumbling routines must be in front of your team’s student body.
     Routines that spill into the area of the opposing team are prohibited.
   o Cheer squads may perform under the basket area outside the free vertical lane lines at all times.

3. Banners
   o One cloth or vinyl banner may be used, but must be sanctioned by the game management, principal, and/or athletic director before the contest. Note: Some facilities, including venues used for CHSAA playoffs, may not allow any banners. Paper banners are not allowed at CHSAA sponsored playoff events. The words and graphics on banners must be positive: i.e. “beat”, “outscore”, “conquer”, etc.; Negative banners: i.e. “kill”, “maim”, “scalp”, etc., will be confiscated and may result in no future use of banners.
   o Banners must not block the view of others.

4. Noisemakers
   o All artificial noisemakers are prohibited. This includes: cowbells, drums, whistles, horns, plastic clackers, thunder sticks, etc. Exception: bleacher kicking is permitted if the facility management allows it.
   o An air horn or cannon may be used on the field and only if supervised by a school designee. It should never be disruptive to the playing of the game and used only during dead ball periods at the end of playing action.
   o No musical instruments and/or amplified music, including drums, shall play while the game clock is running or when a ‘live-ball’ situation is applicable by rule, whether the game is indoor or outdoor. This includes fanfares, drum rolls, etc. The only time the game, once started, is not “in progress” is during a timeout or intermission. This applies to the use of outdoor, in-gym, or in-arena sound systems and public address announcements. The announcer is an integral member of game administration and is a reporter of information not necessarily obvious to spectators. Great care must be exercised to see that neither team gains an advantage from announcements over the public address system. Announcers are not "play-by-play" announcers.
   o There shall be no amplified instruments at any CHSAA playoff events.

5. A list of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors can be found in the Game Management and Sportsmanship Expectation Guide included in your school box.

CHEER FOR YOUR TEAM AND NOT AGAINST THE OPPONENT!!
NFHS 2019-2020 BOYS LACROSSE RULES CHANGES

1-9-1: Equipment and Uniform Standards Alerts are being introduced in order to prepare schools for these changes in 2021 and 2022.

2-7-2f: The ruling states that the CBO is no longer responsible for determining if a team has too few players on the field.

4-5, 4-22 — Restart: In the effort to maintain the quicker pace of play, the committee has adopted a change in restarts. The new ruling will allow an immediate whistle (unless an offensive teammate is within 5 yards of the player in possession.) The defending player on any restart shall establish a distance of 5 yards. If the defender is within that 5-yard distance, that player may be liable to be penalized for “delay of game.” The defender not beyond the 5-yard distance may not play the player in possession or obstruct the player in possession’s direct path toward the goal. Once the 5 yards’ distance has been satisfied, the defender then may play the ball and/or the player in possession of the ball.

4-24-6: A time-out charge for concussion-type symptoms will be designated as an official’s time-out.

5-5 - Illegal crosse: In an effort to simplify the penalty for crosse violations, all crosse violations will be assessed a two-minute non-releasable penalty. The crosse may be adjusted and allowed to be used in the game. Every crosse in the bench area is subject to be inspected and need not have been used in the game in order to be inspected.

5-10: In an effort to prevent a player from throwing a crosse under any circumstance, a clarification has been written to explain the penalty for throwing of the crosse. Throwing a crosse at a player, the ball or other game personnel regardless of contact will result in a penalty of one-, two- or three-minute non-releasable unsportsmanlike conduct.

6-1-1, 6-2-1: These changes are relocated to be consistent with the Rule 7-8-2 changes regarding slow-whistle technique from 2018.

6-5-2: A player throwing a crosse for other reasons, i.e., personal frustration or poor player/coach crosse exchange, shall be ruled as a technical foul.

2020 Points of Emphasis:

Sportsmanship and Conduct
The NFHS Boys Lacrosse Rules Committee advocates for continued commitment by players and coaches to respect the game and each other, on and off the field. Head coaches are asked to monitor and discuss sportsmanship with their players and assistant coaches to ensure the game is held to the highest standard. The committee expects all participants to continue to work together to exhibit good sportsmanship from pregame through postgame.

Pace of Play
A 2019 questionnaire completed by both coaches and officials indicated a concern regarding pace of play. In an effort to address these concerns, the committee took the following steps:
- Officials shall restart play as soon as possible.
- Restarts: Play may restart with defensive player(s) within 5 yards of a player in possession of the ball. However, the defensive player may not play him until a distance of 5 yards has been established. Play will not resume with an offensive player(s) within 5 yards of the ball.
- Particular attention should continue to be given to the definition and application of stalling rules.
Player Safety
Continued emphasis is needed regarding player safety rules, particularly contact to the head/neck as well as contact against defenseless or unsuspecting players.

- **Contact to Head/Neck:** Shall result in a two- or three-minute non-releasable penalty. Excessive violence may result in ejection.
- **Defenseless Player:** Player shall not body-check a player in a defenseless position. Hitting a defenseless player will result in a two- to three-minute non-releasable penalty or ejection.
- **Targeting:** When a player intentionally takes aim at an opponent’s head/neck. Targeting shall result in a three-minute non-releasable penalty or ejection.
- **Targeting a Defenseless Player:** Targeting a defenseless player shall result in a three-minute non-releasable penalty or ejection.

Future Equipment and Uniform Changes
- Effective January 1, 2021, all goalkeepers shall wear chest protectors designed for lacrosse that meet the NOCSAE ND200 standard at the time of manufacture.
- Effective January 1, 2022, all field players shall wear shoulder pads designed for lacrosse that meet the NOCSAE ND200 standard at the time of manufacture.
- Effective January 1, 2022, The Home team will be required to wear WHITE jerseys, and the away team will be required to wear non-white jerseys.

2020 Rules Corrections:

**4-22-1** – For all restarts, the game shall resume as quickly as possible and nearest to the spot of the ball when play stopped. All offensive players shall be 5 yards or more away from the player in possession of the ball. On the official’s whistle, play restarts.
Comment: As an editorial clarification the word offensive has been added.

**5-10-1e** – Throwing a crosse at the ball, at player or other game personnel.
Penalty: One-to three-minute, non-releasable
Comment: Throwing the crosse, as a personal foul, is a non-releasable penalty, under any circumstance.

**5.11 SITUATION** – The situation should read:
A1 receives a two-minute illegal crosse penalty and a one-minute non-releasable penalty for wearing football shoulder pads during the first quarter. In the second half, A1 receives a two-minute, non-releasable penalty. RULING: A1 has fouled out of the game, but has not been ejected.
Comment: With the updated rule allowing for corrections to a crosse with a two-minute non-releasable penalty, this situation would no longer be accurate.
**NFHS BOYS LACROSSE UNIFORMS**

**Front View**

- **A JERSEY COLOR**
  1. Jerseys shall be of a **single, solid color**.
  2. The jersey shall completely cover the shoulder pads.
  3. Jerseys shall be of contrasting colors for opposing teams. The home team shall wear light jerseys and the visiting team shall wear its dark-color jerseys. The visiting team is responsible for avoidance of similarity of colors, but if there is doubt, the referee may require the home team to change jerseys.

- **B UNIFORM TRIM**
  1. Collar, cuffs and waistband may be of contrasting colors, but not more than **2 inches wide**.
  2. Side inserts (no more than armpit to waistband) may be of contrasting color(s), but no more than **3 inches wide**.
  3. Contrasting colored piping not to exceed **1/8-inch wide** is allowed.

- **C NUMBERS**
  1. Numbers shall be centered vertically and horizontally and at least **8 inches** tall on the front and at least **12 inches** tall on the back.
  2. Numbers may contain contrasting color trim(s) not to exceed **2 inches** (the number shall contrast with the body of the jersey).
  3. Duplicate numbers on jerseys shall not be permitted on the same team.

- **D UNIFORM SHORTS**
  1. All players on the same team shall wear uniform shorts of the same dominant color.

- **E MANUFACTURER’S LOGO INFORMATION**
  1. A visible manufacturer’s logo/trademark may not exceed **2 ¼ square inches** and **2 ¼ inches** in any direction on the jersey and/or pant/short. Beginning in 2010, no more than one manufacturer’s logo/trademark or reference on the outside of each item. (The same size restriction shall apply to either the manufacturer’s logo/trademark or reference).

**NOTE:** An American flag, not to exceed 2 by 3 inches, and either a commemorative or a memorial patch, not to exceed 4 square inches and with written state association approval, may be worn on the jersey provided neither the flag, nor the patch, interferes with the visibility of the number.

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Message from Mark Giusti, President, RMLOA

The Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Officials Association (RMLOA) is the CHSAA-sponsored organization which recruits, trains, evaluates, and when necessary, disciplines certified high-school lacrosse officials in Colorado.

I am the newly elected President of RMLOA and look forward to working with CHSAA and the high school lacrosse community in my new role. I have been playing lacrosse for nearly fifty years, which included playing goalie at University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and have been a high school, youth and NCAA referee in Colorado since 2015.

Moving forward my focus will be on recruitment of new officials to high school and on-going training of all officials in conjunction with our certified trainers/observers.

I’d welcome any advice and feedback as we go through the season – please don’t hesitate to reach out….and if you know any referees who would like to try high school officiating, please send them my way.

Cheers

Mark Giusti
President, RMLOA
OFFICIALS’ REMINDERS

EVALUATE YOUR OFFICIALS
Coaches are asked to evaluate the crew of officials after each game. The CHSAA and the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Officials Association value your input on the officiating in our state. Under http://www2.chsaa.org/coaches/rate-contest-official.asp click on Rate Your Contest Officials link. Depending on the browser used, your coach may print the completed document in a pdf form and send to Tom Robinson at trobinson@chsaa.org. It is important that coaches approach this with the mindset that constructive criticism is the best way to improve officiating in Colorado.

VOTING FOR POSTSEASON OFFICIALS
RMLOA will work to continue to bring you the best officials from their organization. To work postseason games, officials must submit an application by April 10 to be considered. Official postseason selection is based on the votes of Coaches, Athletic Directors, Assigners, and Area Directors that will be conducted April 13-17. Coaches and Athletic Directors - it is imperative that you participate in the voting which is done online through a link that will be provided in early April to you from the CHSAA office.

Officials’ Fees – The fees adopted by the January 2017-2018 Legislative Council are:

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Mileage - $.40/mile round trip, zip code to zip code.

Exception: The Confluence (except Campion); The 5280 (except Gilpin County); The Colorado 7(except Conifer, Fort Lupton, Fort Morgan, Weld Central); The Jefferson County (except Evergreen), Denver, Continental, East Metro, Front Range (except Fort Collins, Loveland, Poudre and Rocky Mountain), Frontier (except Bennett, Clear Creek, Lake County, Middle Park and Platte Canyon), Metropolitan, and Centennial leagues and Broomfield, Denver Academy, and Denver Christian schools will not pay mileage between league cities, but shall pay a mileage travel stipend of $2 to each official between league cities per day of assignments. Colorado Springs schools shall pay a mileage travel stipend of $2 per day of assignments to officials selected from the Colorado Springs Officials’ Association. An official that is assigned to two or more contests at a given site on the same day shall be paid one travel stipend or reimbursement.

Only ONE driver will be paid the mileage reimbursement for each contest. It will be paid to the official on the crew who travels the farthest. Issues with multiple drivers must be solved between the officials and the assignor prior to the game.

In lieu of per diem, a rider fee of $10 is paid to officials, non-drivers only, who are riding on trips of 75 miles or more one-way.

It is RECOMMENDED that, during the regular season only, assigners assign officials to a contest whose travel miles to a school is less than or equal to 75 miles round trip, thus resulting in a payment of no more than $30 for travel. If official travels miles more than 75 miles round trip, the official should be paid at the $.40/mile rate as listed above unless other arrangements are made with the officials by the school.

INDIVIDUAL MILEAGE BUFFER – Mileage will not be paid to an in cases where the town borders between the official’s whose town of residence is 20 miles or closer to and the host school if 20 miles or less. Full mileage (including first 20 miles) will be paid to officials who travel over 20 miles. This does not apply to the metro area officials described above that receive the $2 travel stipend.
All regular season games will be played according to the NFHS and be completed by **Saturday, May 9, 2020** for all schools.

**MAXPREPS**  
MaxPreps is the official site we use to collect data for regular season scores and statistics. Please report all game information to this site (www.maxpreps.com). More information and a user guide may be found on the CHSAA homepage: www.chsaanow.com. All scores must be posted in MaxPreps by the home team within 24 hours of the end of the game.

**FIELD MARKINGS**  
The CHSAA asks that you work with your maintenance and field staffs to make sure your field of play is marked as per the NFHS rule book guidelines, which are found in the NFHS rule books on the page following the table of contents. Located there is the NFHS diagram for marking a lacrosse field. It is the responsibility of each school and their athletic department, in cooperation with their grounds staff, to ensure their lacrosse field is marked in accordance to the rules of the game.

**GAME ADMINISTRATION**  
At the beginning of the game, the home team is required to provide a scorebook, a timing device, a table and a working horn. Failing to provide any of these items is penalized by illegal procedure.

**LENGTH OF GAME**  
The regulation playing time of a high school varsity Boys Lacrosse game should be four periods of 12 minutes.

There shall be 2-minute intervals between the first and second periods and between the third and fourth periods of the game. The intermission between the second and third periods (halftime) shall be 10 minutes.

**INTERRUPTION OF GAME**  
If a game is interrupted by events beyond the control of the responsible authorities, it shall be continued from the point of interruption unless there are conference, league, or state association rules to cover the situation. Both teams are permitted to make roster changes. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and approval of the referee, any period may be shortened or the game terminated.

**FORFEITS**  
If the offended team is ahead the score stands; if the offended team is behind or tied, the official score shall be offended team 1, opponent 0.

**OVERTIME PROCEDURE**  
In the event of a tie at the end of regulation, play shall be continued, after a 2-minute intermission with sudden victory overtime. In sudden victory overtime, the teams shall play periods of four minutes each until a goal is scored. The game ends upon the scoring of the first goal. There will be a 2-minute intermission between sudden victory periods.

**STALLING RULES**  
During the final two minutes of regulation play, stalling rules will be in effect. The team that is ahead by 4 goals or less will be warned to “keep it in” once the ball has been brought into it’s respective goal area.
MAXIMUM TEAM PARTICIPATION
No member school shall permit its Boys Lacrosse team to participate in more than 15 games during a season, exclusive of the state tournament. A student may not participate in more than 72 quarters/periods exclusive of district and state tournaments. Further, no member school shall permit its lacrosse team to play after the state championship tournament has been completed.

STUDENT AND TEAM COMPOSITION
Whenever a school provides only a team or teams for boys in a particular sport, girls are permitted to qualify for the student team(s) CHSAA Bylaw 2850.3.

MERCY RULE
The goal differential rule is in effect for all regular season and CHSAA bracket post-season tournament games with the exception of the State Championship game. A running clock shall be used when the goal differential reaches 12 goals in the second half (including penalties). The clock will only be stopped during the mercy rule for: team timeout, officials’ timeout, injury or end of period. If the goal differential is reduced to fewer than 12 goals, then normal play will resume.

UNIFORMS
The home team must wear white or light-colored jerseys; the visiting team must wear dark colored jerseys. If your school has only one set of uniforms, it is then your responsibility to bring pull-over practice vest pennies.

SUNDAY CONTACT
Bylaw 2310.5-- No high school interscholastic contests, practices for interscholastic contests, camps, nor shall association between participants and coaches/directors of any activity from the student’s school take place on Sunday at any time during the school year. (This is to include both in-season and out-of-season sports/activities other than those noted in the Music By-laws.) The Commissioner may, when deemed advisable, allow postponed state-level events to be played on Sunday. Teams playing on Monday in district, regional or in a state-culminating event will be exempt from this rule.

PROTESTS/APPEALS
NO protests involving the judgment or possible misapplication of a rule by a game official will be considered by the CHSAA. However, coaches may direct questions to the game officials as they pertain to possible misapplication of the rules at the time of the occurrence, in accordance with the National Federation rules. Once a game has been declared as completed, the outcome is considered to be final and official. Coaches and Administrators are encouraged to use the official evaluation form available on the officials’ page of chsaa.org for evaluation of all contests.

The playing of any ineligible student/athlete will cause the school to forfeit the contest in which the ineligible athlete participated. There is no appeal to this rule and coaches are urged to review the rule with team members prior to the start of the season and provide a constant reminder as the season progresses.

EJECTION OF PLAYER
Any player ejected from a contest (regular or post-season) by an official for any unsportsmanlike act will be removed from that contest and will be ineligible for the next contest. If a player is ejected or disqualified for a second time during the season he/she will be required to miss the next two contests. A third ejection during the same season will result in consequence determined by the Commissioner. If a player disqualification occurs, it is the responsibility of the coach and school to declare the individual ineligible for the next contest(s) of that level and notify the CHSAA office of the ejection. Failure to do so and allowing a disqualified player to participate in the next contest(s) of that level could result in a forfeiture and possible playoff restriction for the team.
If a player ejection occurs in the final match or contest of the season, then the player shall be ineligible for the first match or contest of the next season of sport that player elects to play. In satisfying the penalty, the player must sit out a game in a sport in which he/she completes the season. (See the CHSAA Handbook for more information.)

Game officials will report all player ejections to the CHSAA Commissioner in charge of Boys Lacrosse.

**EJECTION OF COACH**

A coach ejected from a contest for committing an unsportsmanlike act shall be ineligible to coach for the next regularly scheduled match or contest of the same level. He/she may not coach in any other contest or level during this time. If a coach disqualification occurs, it is the responsibility of the coach and school to declare the individual ineligible for the next contest(s) of that level and notify the CHSAA office of the ejection. Failure to do so and allowing a disqualified coach to participate in the next contest(s) of that level could result in a forfeiture and possible playoff restriction for the team.

*Bylaw 2210.22:* A coach ejected from a game is required to complete the following courses offered on-line by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS): Sportsmanship; Teaching and Modeling Behavior. These courses shall be completed before he/she will be removed from probation and must be finished in a reasonable amount of time during the season to be determined by the school’s athletic director.

- A coach ejected from a game is automatically placed on probation according to policies established by the Board of Directors.
- A coach ejected from a second contest during the same season shall be ineligible to coach for the next two contests of the same level or any other level.
- A coach ejected from two contests during a three-year period shall be required to appear at a hearing before the Commissioner or his/her designee and shall be subject to a penalty to be determined by the Commissioner.
- A coach ejected from three contests in a five-year period shall be placed on restriction from playoffs.

Game officials will report all coach ejections to the CHSAA Commissioner in charge of Boys Lacrosse.

**OUT OF STATE TRAVEL**

A school group, team, or individual representing a school in athletic competition may travel outside of the state to compete upon recommendation of the school district administration and upon written approval of the CHSAA Liaison.

**OUTSIDE COMPETITION**

Players certified to participate as members of any high school sport team may compete on any other team, in any non-school activity or event in that sport during that sports season with the express written permission of the principal, which permission shall be granted if:

(a) The student’s class attendance is not compromised; and
(b) The student is in good academic standing under the school’s activities policy applicable to all students.

**CHSAA EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN** - Every member school is required to create a venue-specific Emergency Action Plan (VEAP) for each site that the member school practices and hosts athletic contests. (*Please use the template link that has been created for consistency.*) This plan must be completed for all on-site and off-site practice/competition venues.
The VEAP must include location, emergency access, emergency contact information and a listing of each member in protocol's duties. Annual VEAP training must take place no less than one time a year.

**OFFICIALS**

**Dressing Room** - Where possible the official’s dressing room should be located in an area with the most direct access to the playing field. The officials’ dressing room shall be used as a changing area for game officials only. It should be private. No other individuals shall have access to this area for any purposes unless they can be identified as game management, CHSAA personnel, and/or the officiating observer. The room shall be stocked with water. It is recommended that soft drinks and/or isotonic beverages be made available. A sign should be placed on the officials’ dressing room door the states: “Officials’ Dressing Room. No admittance per CHSAA.”

NOTE: For some sports like soccer, baseball, lacrosse, etc., games are played at sites that have no designated dressing areas for officials. Designated parking areas that include a temporary means for private dressing/changing, is strongly encouraged.

**Security** - It is the responsibility of game management to provide security escort for game officials to and from the playing field. If possible, the officials should be escorted to the parking lot.

**Arrival at Site** - Game officials are required to arrive at the game site per their officiating association’s policy. If an official arrives at the game site within 15 minutes of the start of the game, game management should contact the CHSAA office after the game.

**Communication with Officials** - Except for contact as is necessary by game management all others are prohibited from talking to the officials before, during, at halftime or after games concerning matters related to the game. Officials are asked to report any such violations to the CHSAA office.

**Halftime** - Game officials will delay leaving the playing field until players and coaches have left at halftime. A security escort is to be provided to take officials to their dressing room and prevent contact or conversation between coaches and officials.

**Sporting Behavior Cards** - The officials shall provide each varsity coach with a business size card with their sports officiating association’s sportsmanship statement. This card, which also contains the names of the officiating crew, shall be presented at time that is designated by that sport’s pre-game procedure.

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CHSAA LACROSSE POSTSEASON INFORMATION

The following information is relative to the 2020 Boys Lacrosse Playoff Season. It is expected that coaches and Athletic Directors will review and become familiar with all information contained within.

For both classifications, the results of regular season play will determine automatic qualifiers and respective seeds in the postseason. If ties exist within the league, the CHSAA qualifying point system must be used to break the tie.

Regular season matches must be completed and reported in MaxPreps by Saturday, May 9, 2020. All postseason qualifiers must be determined no later than Saturday, May 9, 2020, with the pairings being determined on Monday, May 11, 2020. The CHSAA staff can approve alternate dates in extreme situations.

**It is the responsibility of the league representative to correctly list the Automatic Qualifiers for each classification and verify that they appear on the tournament bracket.**

The seeding committee will be made up of one (1) administrator from each league in each classification. The administrator shall be selected by the league president and nominated to the CHSAA office for approval.

4A/5A Playoff Qualifying Procedures – Each league will receive one automatic qualifier. In addition to league automatic qualifiers, the Rating Percentage Index (RPI) will be utilized to capture at-large qualifiers to the State Tournament bracket. League automatic qualifiers not ranked in the top 16 teams by RPI in 4A/5A will replace the lowest ranked non-automatic qualifiers in the top 16 in RPI. There will be no movement 1-8 for 4A/5A on the bracket based on the RPI. The placement of 4A/5A teams listed 9-16 may be moved on the bracket due to geography and first round league opponents. The Seeding Committee will avoid league matchups in the 1st Round ONLY.

**Playoff Details**

- Grand Junction or Fruita Monument must earn 1st place among all 4A/5A teams in the Mountain Conference to earn an automatic berth into the 5A field of 16. Otherwise they must qualify through RPI.
- Windsor must earn 1st place in the Northern Conference to earn an automatic berth into the 5A field of 16. Otherwise they must qualify through RPI.
- One seeding representative will be chosen for each league/conference.

**What happens if two teams are tied in the final RPI standings?**

We have created a tiebreaker for this unlikely scenario. It is as follows:

1. Head-to-head result between the two teams
2. Winning percentage
3. Opponents' winning percentage
4. Opponents' opponents winning percentage
5. Highest-rated win (according to the final RPI standings)
6. Next-highest rated win (exhaust all possibilities)
7. Coin flip

The only reason for the coin flip is as a last result if all other scenarios happen to be tied.
CONFERENCE STANDINGS AND TIE-BREAKER

A. Conference standings and tie-breaker:
   1. When teams are placed on the bracket it is based on their finish within the conferences. Conference games will determine conference standings. A point total will be determined from the following: 2 points for a win; 1 point for an OT loss; 0 points for a loss.

   2. Ties in conference standings will be resolved using the following conference procedures.

   Tie Breaker for Seeding Based On Division Play Only

A. If two teams have the same point total, the tie will be broken by the following procedure:
   1. Head-to-Head result between the two tied teams in League Play.

B. If more than two teams have the same point total, the tie will be broken by the following procedure:
   1. Head-to-Head result between the tied teams only in League Play. Example: If Team A beat both B and C, their point total would be 4. If Team B beat C, but lost to A, their point total would be 2. Team C would have 0 points. In this example, Team A would be the highest seed. B and C would revert back to #A above to be seeded.

   2. If the tie remains unbroken, the highest seed will be the team(s) which gave up the fewest goals in League Play between the tied teams. The remaining tied teams (if necessary) would revert to #A above and proceed through the steps listed until the tie is broken. Example: If A, B and C are still tied. “A” gave up 2 goals when playing B and 3 goals when playing C for a total of 5 goals scored against. “B” had a total of 4 goals scored against and “C” a total of 6 goals scored against. “B” would be the highest seed among the tied teams. A & C would revert back to #A above to be seeded.

   3. If the tie remains unbroken, the highest seed will be the team, which gave up the fewest goals in their game against the next highest seeded conference opponent. If unbroken, the goals given up against the next highest league opponent would break the tie proceeding through as many conference teams as necessary to break the tie. The remaining tied teams would revert to #A above and proceed through the steps listed until the tie is broken.

   4. If the tie remains unbroken, a coin flip will identify one team as the highest seed among the tied teams. The remaining tied teams would revert to #A above and proceed through the steps listed until the tie is broken.

Home Sites
In all classifications the higher seeded team will be the home team throughout the playoff bracket and will host the 1st and Quarterfinal Round matches. The higher seed in all classifications will be designated as the home team in semifinal and final matches.

It is required by the CHSAA that 4A/5A Quarterfinal post-season host sites follow all CHSAA playoff requirements including, but not limited to charging admission and all other amenities of a championship game, including bleacher seating, lighted venue and a secure playing field for players, coaches and officials.

The CHSAA is responsible for the assignment of officials in ALL ROUNDS of the state tournament. All post-season matches are to be played as per the specific bracket dates in each
classification. Host schools are responsible for the payment of officials through the quarterfinal matches in each classification.

It is the responsibility of each league representative to correctly list the Automatic Qualifiers from their respective league in applicable classifications and verify that they appear on the tournament bracket.

Schools hosting contests which are on the state championship bracket may pay a fee to the CHSAA in lieu of charging admission (except for 4A/5A Quarterfinals). This fee will be set by the CHSAA and will be based on an average of the 20% of the gross sent to the CHSAA in previous playoffs (fee for 2020 season $150). **When paying this fee, hosting schools are still responsible for any travel guarantee due to the opponent, officials’ payments and other costs associated with hosting these contests. Pre-approval from CHSAA is required for implementation.**

**Post Season Dates – Times**

CHSAA will establish match dates. It is the desire of the CHSAA that schools mutually establish match times that best accommodate the interests of each school and community. Schools must consider the conditions in which the match will be played and make the best decision to accommodate the schools involved.

**NOTE:** All mutually established match times are subject to final approval by the CHSAA office as needed. When mutual agreement for the match time cannot be reached, the following statements will apply:

a. When post-season matches are to be played on a Saturday, 1:00 or 3:00 p.m. is the preferred scheduled times.

b. When post-season matches are to be played on a weekday, 4:00 p.m. is the preferred time for non-lighted fields. The preferred time is 6:00 p.m. for lighted fields.

c. The Commissioner shall have the sole province to designate match times and sites, including when a school district is hosting more than one match. Conflicts, which could have a venue, academic or financial impact on the match, will be considered.

d. All schools, both home and visitor, will be provided the opportunity to supply input in the match time scheduling process.

e. The CHSAA post-season calendar will be adhered to when match conditions permit. When available, host schools shall attempt to locate an artificial turf site that will be as an alternative to stay on schedule.

f. Participating schools may have no more than 45 players in uniform and no more than 53 people on the sideline at any time. Gate lists will be developed from roster information requested in this bulletin and submitted to the CHSAA. Only 45 players and the 8 additional team personnel listed on the official team roster will be admitted free at the host site. It will be the responsibility of the visiting school to present a copy of the official team roster to gate personnel when arriving at away contests. Official team rosters for the semifinal and final contests will be compiled by the CHSAA.
BOYS LACROSSE PLAYOFF INFORMATION

GATELISTS/PROGRAM INFORMATION
Participating schools may have no more than 45 players in uniform and no more than 53 people on the sideline at any time. Only these players and the 8 additional team personnel listed on the official team roster will be admitted free at the host site.

The gate list/roster form is NOT included in this bulletin. We have developed an interactive form that can be found on the CHSAA.org web site: GATE LIST FOR BOYS LACROSSE
DUE DATE: Monday, May 11, 2020

SPIRIT GROUP ADMISSION
Cheerleaders must be in uniform accompanied by up to two coaches/sponsors. Band members must have an instrument in possession and be accompanied by the director.

TICKET PRICES FOR LACROSSE POSTSEASON GAMES

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CHSAA 2020 State Boys Lacrosse Playoff Bracket

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May 14 (4A)
May 15 (5A)
Higher seed hosts

Quarterfinals
May 19 (4A)
May 20 (5A)
Higher seed hosts

Semifinals
May 23
Legacy Stadium

Championship
May 26
DU Barton Stadium

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