AD, Head Basketball Coaches & 2023-2024 Registered Basketball Officials-

We have one week under our belts and some schools have already played four contests and some have played just one contest.

Here are few items that have brought to my attention after the first week.

1) **BENCH PERSONNEL COMMUNICATION WITH OFFICIALS:**  With the new rule regarding the free throws being shot on the 5th foul of each quarter, I had three separate officials tell me about a unique situation that arose in the second half of each contest.  The official went over to the bench to signal who the foul was on and the official scorer said, "That's the fifth foul."  The official in each situation thought it meant the player had committed his fifth foul and went over to communicate to the head coach that is player had fouled out. Obviously, the coaches in these situations were a little confused and questioning the officials.  Things were easily cleared up, but this could be avoided.   What the official scorer was actually communicating was that it was the fifth team foul of the quarter and free throws should occur.  We never had to worry about this confusion in the past as we did not shoot free throws until the seventh foul.  To eliminate this understandable miscommunication, AD's and officials should instruct the official scorers to communicate to the officials using the word "Bonus" to tell officials we should now be shooting free throws on the fifth foul.  Only hold up 5 fingers to indicate that a player has fouled out.

2) **JEWELRY:**  Just a reminder from a previous email.  The wearing of “friendship” or “memorial” bracelets during the contest.  These are considered jewelry and need to either be removed, covered by an appropriately colored wristband (white, black, beige or the predominant color of the jersey and shall be the same color for each item and all participants, 3-5-4a) or covered by no more than three layers of white athletic tape.

3) **DESIGNATED SPOT THROW-IN SITUATION 1:**  Play:  A1 ends his dribble in the frontcourt ten feet from the corner formed by the endline and the sideline, in front of Team A's bench.  B2 applies heavy defensive pressure.  With official's closely guarded count a four, (a) A1 requests a timeout or (b) the team A coach requests a timeout.  Ruling:  In both (a) and (b), if the timeout is granted, the ensuing throw-in will be from the closest designated spot, which will be from the 28-foot mark in front of the team A bench.

4) **DESIGNATED SPOT THROW-IN  SITUATION 2:**  Play: A1 is dribbling the ball in the frontcourt outside the three-point arc opposite the scorer's table.  A2 is in the free-throw lane.  The lead official rules a three-second violation against A2.  Ruling:  Team B has a throw-in in its backcourt nearest to where the violation took place, as this is now Team B's backcourt, similar to what you would have done last year.

5) **WEBINAR:**  The IHSAA and IGHSAU are presenting an in season webinar on Wednesday, December 13th beginning at 6:30 PM and running for approximately one hour.  It is open to both officials and coaches.  The two items to be discussed during this webinar are traveling and the designatted throw-in spots.  Videos and training tapes showing spin moves, jump stops and other potential travel issues will be shown, along with continued education regarding the designated spot throw-in.  There is no pre registration or sign up prior to the webinar needed.  Here is the link to log into the webinar.

Iowa is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Basketball Officials Meeting

Time: Dec 13, 2023 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8162015675?pwd=VnA4OE1qV2lDYW5LdmQweENvK3ZpZz09&omn=89994410371>

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**6) HUDL LEAGUE EXCHANGE POOL COACHES:  There were some glitches with Bound regarding the download of schedules.  Thank you to those you shared those with me, and I then contacted Bound.**

Here is the current list of games that have not been downloaded as of 1:30 pm this afternoon. There are several host schools that have not downloaded any of their contests so far.  It is the responsibility of home team to download the video into HUDL by 10 AM the next morning.  The IBCA and our office are keeping track of schools that are not following the protocols put in place.  Host schools that have not contacted our office regarding having technical difficulties in the download and continue to fail to download their contests may have their ability to view videos suspended until they are prepared to follow the procedures for this exchange.  The purpose of the league exchange is multi-faceted.  First, instead of there being multiple conference pools in which non-conference opponents could not access games, this permits every school to have access to every other school.  Secondly, it provides our officials the opportunity for educational improvement.  One of the best ways to evaluate yourself, is to watch yourself on video.  It also allows me to observe officials that we may not get the opportunity to observe. Also, this allows for me to create groups of similar videos and share them with coaches and officials of unique situations or just general situations that can be discussed, similar to what will be occurring in the webinar next week.  Also, education for our coaches is extended.  Their ability to watch other schools for scouting purposes and also to pick up specific plays that may be implemented into their future game plans.  Additionally, our rankings committee in each of the four classes watches hours and hours of HUDL video along with seeing schools in person as they examine teams and determine our top 10 in each class.

If you are hosting a contest tonight, your contest should be downloaded into HUDL by 10 AM tomorrow morning.  Per this list, the team listed first according to Bound is the home team and should be downloading the video.

**November 27th**

 Riceville vs. Postville

**November 28th**

West Central, Maynard vs. Postville

Wapello vs. Pekin

Tri-Center vs. Logan-Magnolia

Audubon vs. Missouri Valley

Belmond-Klemme vs. Bishop Garrigan

**November 30th**

West Harrison vs. West  Monona

SW Valley vs. Griswold

Gehlen Catholic vs. Cherokee

Cedar Valley Christian vs. Meskwaki Settlement

DeSoto vs. Kee, Lansing

**December 1st**

Heartland vs. Griswold

West Harrison vs. Ar-We-Va

IKM-Manning vs. Riverside

Coon Rapids-Bayard vs. CAM

Bedford vs. Lenox

Holy Trinity vs. West Burlington

West Hancock vs. Eagle Grove

Tri-Center vs. Audubon

Pekin vs. Winfield Mt. Union

BGM vs. Colfax-Mingo

West Bend-Mallard vs. SE Valley

Valley Lutheran vs. Colo-Nesco

Bellevue vs. West Liberty

Moulton-Udell vs. Seymour

West Sioux vs. Harris Lake Park

Woodward-Granger vs. ACGC

Belmond-Klemme vs. Lake Mills

Centerville vs. Davis County

Manson NW Webster vs. Pocahontas Area

South Hamilton vs. Saydel

Central Lyon vs. Sheldon

Postville vs. Clayton Ridge

MVAOCOU vs. West Monona

Louisa-Muscatine vs. Columbus Community

Sioux Center vs. Rock Valley

Clarke vs. Chariton

CB TJ vs. SC North

CBAL vs. SC West

DM North vs. DM Roosevelt

Ankeny vs. Johnston

Ottumwa vs. DM Hoover

**December 2**

West Burlington vs. Mount Pleasant

CR Washington vs. Marion

IC Liberty vs. Clear Creek-Amana

**December 4**

North Linn vs. Beckman, Catholic

West Harrison vs. Tri-Center

Heartland vs. Hamburg

Postville vs. Tripoli

Riverside vs. Griswold

Marion vs. Iowa City, City

Ames vs. Dallas Center-Grimes