

**TO:** Principals/Volleyball Coaches  
**FROM:** Mike Clark, Assistant  
**RE:** 2009 Class 4A Regional Volleyball Tournament  
**DATE:** September 24, 2009

1. The host site for each regional tournament will be the first school listed in each regional.
2. The regional tournament must be completed by Saturday, October 3.
3. The regional tournament chairman will be the principal or his/her designated representative of the first school listed in each regional. It is his/her responsibility to contact the other playing schools and by mutual agreement decide which date and what time the regional tournament will be played.
4. In a four, five or more team regional tournament, the regional tournament chairman should schedule a regional tournament meeting no earlier than September 28 and no later than September 30. **This meeting may be conducted by telephone.** At the regional tournament meeting the following should be decided:
  - a. Draw the tournament bracket.
    1. Four Teams – The school that is underlined in the assigned pairings will be the top seeded team and will be placed on line #1. Rate and seed the remaining teams on a percentage of games won and lost which are to be placed on the top and bottom of the bracket, respectively, by record. A team must have played at least 15 matches to be considered for seeding placement. The best record will be the second seed (Exception: If two top fifteen teams from Okrankings.com September 22<sup>nd</sup> state rating are placed in the same regional tournament, the highest rated team will be the number one seed and the other rated team will be the second seed.) and automatically be placed on line #4. The second best record which will be the third seed (Exception: If three top fifteen teams from Okrankings.com September 22<sup>nd</sup> state rating are placed in the same regional tournament, the lowest rated team would be the number three seed.) shall choose either line #2 or line #3 of the bracket which automatically places the third team by record on the opposite line. Teams will play each other in a three out of five single elimination match.
    2. Five or More Teams - An eight point bracket will be used. The school that is underlined in the assigned pairings will be the top seeded team and will be placed on line #1. Rate and seed the remaining teams on a percentage of games won and lost which are to be placed on the top and bottom of the bracket, respectively, by record. A team must have played at least 15 matches to be considered for seeding placement. The best record will be the second seed (Exception: If two top fifteen teams from Okrankings.com September 22<sup>nd</sup> state rating are placed in the same regional tournament, the highest rated team will be the number one seed and the other rated team will be the second seed.) and automatically be placed on line #8. The second best record which will be the third seed (Exception: If three top fifteen teams from Okrankings.com September 22<sup>nd</sup> state rating are placed in the same regional tournament, the lowest rated team would be the number three seed.) shall choose either line #4 in the top half or line #5 in the bottom half of the bracket, which automatically places the third team by record in the opposite half of the bracket. The fourth best record shall choose either line #3 in the top half or line #6 in the bottom half of the bracket, which automatically places the fifth team by record in the opposite half of the bracket. The sixth best record shall choose either line #2 in the top half or line #7 in the bottom half of the bracket, which automatically places the seventh team by record in the opposite half of the bracket. Teams will play each other in a three out of five single elimination match.
  - b. Select the date and plan in general for the tournament.
  - c. Teams will play each other in a three out of five single elimination match.
  - d. Games shall be played to 25 points, must win by two, with no cap. The fifth and deciding game shall be played to 15 points, must win by two, with no cap.

- e. **Teams assigned to a Regional should call the Regional host (athletic director, principal, or volleyball coach) immediately and give them your team's won-lost record and a telephone number or e-mail address where you can be reached.** This will help expedite the bracketing of the Regional tournament.
  - f. During the prematch conference, a coin toss shall be conducted by the referee to determine who is the home team. **Host sites need to instruct the officials of this procedure since they will not receive this information.** State tournament will follow the same guidelines.
5. Tickets will not be sent for regional tournaments; however, the host school should charge admission to defray expenses concerning officials which the tournament chairman shall employ (recommended admission is \$5-adults and students). **Referees shall be OSSAA enrolled volleyball officials. A list can be obtained on the OSSAA website ([www.ossaa.com](http://www.ossaa.com)) under the Officials tab. The officials shall be paid \$40.00 per match, plus expenses as per the "OSSAA Travel Chart" for the driver only. Officials shall be selected from within a reasonable driving distance of the tournament site.**

**ROUND TRIP TRAVEL**

<b>1-25 miles</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
<b>26-50 miles</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>51-75 miles</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>76-100 miles</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Over 100 miles repeat above scale as needed</b>	

6. PLEASE SEND OR FAX (405-840-9559) A COPY OF THE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT BRACKET WITH EACH TEAM'S WON-LOST RECORD TO THE OSSAA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGIONAL MEETING.
7. Teams winning regionals are to notify Mike Clark at the Activities Association office (405-840-1116) no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 5. Please give record of wins and losses. Also, fax (405-840-9559) to the OSSAA by October 6, team roster and respective uniform numbers, classification, coaches' names, administrators, and school mascot. The roster information is needed for the state championship program.
8. The state tournament for Class 4A will be played at Edmond Santa Fe High School on Friday, October 9 and Saturday, October 10. The state tournament for Class 5A will be played at Tulsa Will Rotgers High School on Friday, October 16 and at Sapulpa High School on Saturday, October 17. The state tournament for Class 6A will be played at Sapulpa High School on Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17. Games will begin at 12 noon each day for the Class 4A State Tournament. State tournament admission shall be \$5.00 for adults and students.
9. Teams are limited to fifteen players suiting up at the regional and state tournament.
10. No noisemakers, balloons, confetti, banners, emblems, signs, or placards will be permitted during the regional tournament.
11. Only the following people shall be permitted on the floor during team warm-ups and on the bench during the regional and state tournament: coaches under contract by their school, fifteen uniformed players, and a maximum of three other school approved personnel.
12. Your Academic Achievement Award application is due **September 28**.
13. It would be appreciated if at the end of the regional tournament play, each regional tournament chairman call in the results to the Tulsa World (918-581-8355), the Daily Oklahoman (405-475-3313), and any other interested newspapers.
14. THE HOST SITE SHALL PROVIDE A LIBERO TRACKER.

## **VOLLEYBALL CLASS 4A REGIONAL PAIRINGS**

1. Heritage Hall, Santa Fe South, Star Spencer, Classen SAS, Millwood, John Marshall, Harding Fine Arts, Oklahoma Centennial
2. Cache, Calumet, Snyder, Tipton, Fletcher, Cement, Elgin
3. Clinton, Big Pasture, Corn Bible Academy, Weatherford, Union City, Mt. Saint Mary, Southwest Covenant, Harding Charter Prep
4. Bethany, Christian Heritage, Northeast Academy, Douglass, Paoli, Oklahoma Christian School, Seminole, Hennessey
5. Cleveland, Oklahoma Bible, Yale, Drumright, Kelleyville, Berryhill
6. Victory Christian, Sequoyah-Tahlequah, Metro Christian, Okay, Inola, Hulbert
7. Lincoln Christian, Summit Christian, Sperry, Wesleyan/American Christian, Copan, Dewey, Oklahoma Union
8. Cascia Hall, Sequoyah-Claremore, Verdigris, Salina, Westville, Chouteau Mazie