



29th Annual Saint Paul's Holiday Invitational Tournament

December 27-29, 2011

Schedule

The schedule is tentative only and the Tournament Director reserves the right to make changes as needed. All teams are scheduled three preliminary games of 70 minutes. The semi-final and championship games will be 80 minutes in duration. In the semi-final and final games there will be two ten-minute overtime periods (golden goal format) and, if necessary, High School kicks.

Rosters

Please bring **two copies** of your roster to **each game**. One is for the referee and the other for any tournament personnel.

Home Team

Home teams are responsible for wearing a jersey that is distinct from that of the visiting team. Home team is listed **first** on the schedule.

Team Standings and Tie Breakers

Team standings will be based upon a ten point system:

- 6** points for a win
- 3** points for a tie
- 1** point for each goal scored *win, lose or tie* [up to three goals]
- 1** point for a shutout [*win or tie*]

Group winners will be selected according to the following criteria:

- 1st** point total
- 2nd** head-to-head competition
- 3rd** goal differential [three goal maximum difference per game]
- 4th** fewest goals allowed
- 5th** **Penalty Kicks (NFHS)**



Sidelines

The head coach is responsible for any team personnel in the player's bench area. Please help by picking up your bench area after each game.

Game Time

Kick-off will be at the time shown on the schedule, unless games are delayed. Each team must be ready to play at the scheduled time or immediately at the conclusion of the previous game if required by the tournament director or referee. There is no grace period. A team must have eleven players to start a game. If either of the above conditions is not met, the team will be required to forfeit the match. ***A forfeit will be considered a 3-0 win for the opponent.***

There are approximately fifteen minutes between matches. Please cooperate with the officials and get the players off and on the fields quickly. Warm-ups should be executed on the practice fields that are adjacent to the playing fields.

Playing Conditions

Both teams will occupy the same side of the playing field. Spectators are required to watch from the opposite side.

In case of inclement weather, the Tournament Committee will determine if the game is to be played. Once the game has commenced, the decision rests with the referee. If any games are cancelled or postponed, it is up to the respective coaches to meet with the Tournament Director for rescheduling information. Games shall be considered completed if one half the game has been played. The score at the stoppage of play shall be considered the final score. If one half has not elapsed when play is stopped, the game will be rescheduled if it affects the outcome of the tournament, and if weather and field conditions permit.

In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Director has the authority to restructure or cancel the tournament. It may not be rescheduled and only partial refunds may be issued.

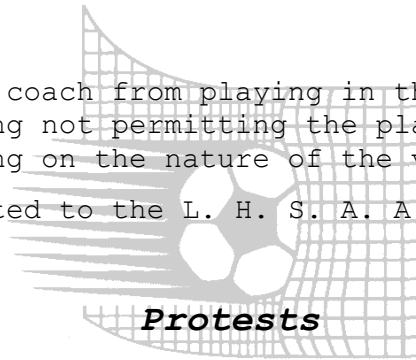
Spirit of the Game

Team decorum on the bench and on the field is expected to meet the highest standards of Christian behavior. Violence, whether verbal or physical, has no place in interscholastic competition. Coaches are ultimately responsible for the conduct of their athletes and expected to cooperate with tournament officials in monitoring and managing the conduct of their fans.

An ejected player or coach, including an ejection for a second yellow card in the same game, is ineligible for at least the next scheduled match. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to

suspend a player or coach from playing in the remainder of the tournament, including not permitting the player to attend the tournament, depending on the nature of the violation.

Ejections are reported to the L. H. S. A. A.



Protests or appeals will not be allowed. The referee's decisions are final.

Information

Regular tournament information updates can be found on the St. Paul's Soccer (Athletics) website at www.stpaulswolves.com.

Other

Except as otherwise provided here, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) current year Rules Book and policies and rules of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) shall apply to all competitions within this tournament.