

## 2018 Firebird Classic Varsity Tournament Rules

- The tournament consists of 4 guaranteed games (regardless of the results after the first 3 games).
- The tournament will be played under NFHS rules.
- Tournament Headquarters will be located in the Admission Gate at the Main Entrance.
- Any situation not covered by the following rules will be resolved by the Tournament Director who reserves the right to alter or change these rules at any time.

1. **Credentials:** Coaches are required to provide team rosters to the referees for each match

2. **Home Team:** Teams listed under the column of 'home team'.

- The home team will wear dark (school color) jerseys and socks per NFHS rules.

3. **Game Balls:** The home team will be responsible for providing 3 game balls for their match.

4. **Length of Game:** Two 40-minute halves with a 5-minute half time.

- All games must be started at the time indicated on the schedule in order for the tourney to go smoothly
- If a game is started late, then time will be taken off in order to complete the game within the time allotted and allow the next 2 teams to have sufficient time to warm-up

5. **Preliminary Game Points:**

- 3 points for a win
- 1 point for a tie
- 0 points for a loss

6. **Tie-Breaking Points after Preliminary Games (in order):**

- Head to Head Competition
- Goals For (MAXIMUM of 4 GF per game will be counted)
- Goals Against
- Red cards
- Coin Toss

7. **Tie-Breaking for Championship Games:**

- Kicks from penalty spot shall be taken.

8. **Finals Format & Awards:**

- *All measures will be taken to avoid match-ups between league-mates with the Tournament Director having the final say*
  - For the 4th game of the tournament (excluding championship games) we will try to be consistent with placements. We aim for teams to play opponents from the same division (silver v silver and 2nd vs 2nd, 3rd vs 3<sup>rd</sup> and etc.) but please understand that there are situations that may arise (e.g. teams already scheduled to play outside of the tournament, avoiding league mates and etc)
  - Tournament Director ultimately reserves the right to make changes to the schedule as needed.
- There will be 1 Championship Match per Division (Gold, Silver I & II, Bronze I & II)
- Top 2 placed teams in the Gold group will play in the Championship Match
  - Gold 1<sup>st</sup> vs. 2<sup>nd</sup>
- In the Silver & Bronze divisions, the 1<sup>st</sup> place teams will play in their division's Championship Match

- Silver 1 vs. Silver 2
- Silver 3 vs. Silver 4
- Bronze 1 vs. Bronze 2
- Bronze 3 vs. Bronze 4
- There will be no Consolation Matches.

9. **Forfeits:** The official score will be 2–0 and 3 points will be awarded to the winner.

10. **Sportsmanship & Conduct:**

- Good sportsmanship and “respectful” conduct is expected to prevail at all times.
- Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, parents and spectators at all times.
- If a player receives a red card during a tournament game, they will be suspended for the next tournament match.

11. **Medical Assistance:**

- All injuries shall be reported to the Tournament Director & Athletic Trainer
- *Athletic Trainer WILL BE available*
- Please notify Tournament Headquarters of a medical emergency.
- In case of serious injury (player is unable to exit the field without assistance), Non-Emergency Dispatch Line (408) 730-7180 will be called if requested by the parent, a coach or referee.

12. **Spectators:**

- All spectators (excluding players, coaches, and referees) are required to pay an entry fee for all Saturday games at Fremont HS and Monta Vista HS
- No air horns and/or amplified noise making devices at soccer playing fields.
- All spectators will be reserved to designated spectator areas.
- Spectators will occupy the sideline opposite the players and coaches.

13. **Alcoholic Beverages, Controlled Substances & Smoking:**

- Possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances are expressly prohibited at all of the fields.
- Any team (including players, coaches, parents and spectators) found violating this rule will would automatically forfeit all games played, in progress and face possible expulsion from the tournament.
- All persons will be expected to refrain from smoking at the field sites.

14. **No pets (except service animals), sunflower seeds, or foods are allowed on the fields.**

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