



# 2023-2024 B.I.S.D. MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL PLAN

**MEMBER SCHOOLS: *BESTEIRO, FAULK, GARCIA, LUCIO, MANZANO, OLIVEIRA, PERKINS, STELL, STILLMAN, VELA***

1. Each school will field 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams. The goal will be to meet the minimum of 12 players for the “A” team. The goal will be to meet the minimum of 10 players for a “B” Team and the “C” team with no caps. ***As per the UIL, a team must begin the first set of the match with six players but may conclude the match with less than six players if this is due to illness, injury, or disqualification after the start of the match. If a team has fewer than six players to begin the match, a forfeit shall be declared.***
2. ***All coaches will adhere to the maximum participation rule. Every athlete that is dressed in uniform and listed on the roster shall participate.***
3. An individual may participate in league athletic competition if she for 7<sup>th</sup> grade, has not reached her 14<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before September 1, and has not enrolled in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. For the 8<sup>th</sup> grade athletic competition, has not reached her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before September 1, and has not enrolled in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
4. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will be competing for a district championship.
5. The order of play will be “C”, “B” matches, followed by “A” matches. If 8<sup>th</sup> Grade is home or away, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade will be the opposite.
6. A **six-minute warm-up** will be allowed **between matches**, and **three minutes between sets**.
7. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade “A”, “B”, and “C” team matches will consist of the best 2 out of 3 sets to 25. Must win by two points. If the game exceeds 25 points, there is a (30) point cap and now you can win by one point when a team reaches 30. **Note:** You cannot exceed 30 points therefore; you can win with a score of 29-30. The net serve shall be allowed. Each team shall be allowed 2 one-minute time-outs per set.
8. ***For B and C Teams, the same server will only be allowed to score up to 5 points per rotation after which the serving team will relinquish the ball/serve to the opposing team. Opposing team will rotate to serve. (Local Rule) This does not apply to “A” Teams.***
9. All matches will be officiated by two TASO officials. One or two officials may officiate the B matches. Coaches are to assign line judges for these games to assist the officials – ***Line Judges become part of the officiating crew and may not cheer and/or taunt any team players. Line judges must wear tennis shoes, (no sandals or crocks are allowed) and must not use ear buds or phone while acting as Line Judge.***
10. ***Coaches must submit a team roster for each team to the second official (R2) at the timed Pre-match Conference. Rosters should include accurate names and jersey numbers for all players. Failure to submit a roster to the R2 at the pre-match conference will result in an Unnecessary Delay (Administrative Yellow Card) at the start of the set.***
11. Jewelry and lighted shoes are prohibited.
12. Unadorned bobby pins, no longer than 2 inches, may be worn to control a player’s hair.
13. Each home team shall designate a game administrator, official score keeper, timer, gate personnel, usher and security. Home team must also provide game personnel sign-in sheets. If a game administrator is asked to leave the game then a Substitute, other than the coaches on the field must be assigned.
14. All schools must submit an eligibility list to the UIL School (**Besteiro**). This list must also be placed in folder to the opposing school principal by noontime on the Friday before the game. This list must include name, age, and date of birth. Do not submit social security numbers. If there are any changes to your original list, the revised copy must be faxed to the UIL School with the official administrator’s signature.
15. Admission is free as designated guests are to follow COVID-19 protocols for admission on a first come, first basis. The campus administrator will make decision when venue has reached its capacity.

16. ***Schools must be following the policies found in the CNCR manual (UIL), as well as the local policies established in the athletic plan. All protests must be submitted in writing to the UIL chairperson within 4 days of the protested game. Any concerns should be immediately addressed with the game administrator.***
17. No make -up games.
18. The athletic plan must be posted at the score keeper table.
19. **No taunting will be tolerated by players or fans.** Game officials and/or game administrator will impose penalties or have fans escorted out of the facility. All coaches must distribute the UIL parent handbook to all athletes.
20. **TWO GAME SUSPENSIONS FOR ANY FAN ASKED TO LEAVE THE GAME. ONE GAME SUSPENSION FOR ANY STUDENT-ATHLETE WHO IS EJECTED FROM A GAME OR COMMITS AN ACT THAT IS DEEMED UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT.**
21. ***Each home team is responsible for designating an area for visitor and home team fans and adhering to all campus and athletics COVID-19 protocols. All fan ejections must be reported immediately to UIL chair and Athletic department. The game administrator should complete UIL on-line incident report following the completion of the game.***
22. No Libero player in Middle school volleyball.
23. The court and the adjacent playable area must be flat, smooth and free of obstructions other than required equipment and padding. Please remove all equipment around the playing gym area to avoid injuries.
24. ***Prior to the deciding set, the second referee (R2) will call the team captains to center court for the coin toss and then teams shall be released to their benches. Following the coin toss, the first referee (R1) shall direct teams to their appropriate team benches.***
25. A legal contact is a touch of the ball by any part of the player's body (excluding the player's loose hair).
26. ***Multiple Contacts are permitted only when the first ball over the net rebounds from one part of the player's body to or more other parts in one attempt to block or on any first team hit, whether or not the ball is touched by the block***
27. ***A serve may not be blocked.***
28. If more than one substitution is to occur, the substitutions shall be made in succession. One pair of players (outgoing and incoming) after another and only one substitute shall be in the substitution zone at a time.
29. ***All nonplaying team members shall be seated on the designated team bench during the set. The head coach may stand during the set in the Libero Replacement Zone, Not the Substitution Zone, no closer than 6 feet to the sideline, to coach his/her players.***
30. ***Any nonplaying team member, including Assistant Coaches, shall remain seated on the bench during a set except, during a dead-ball situation, to greet a replaced player, confer during time-outs or attend to an injured player with the permission of the referee.***
31. Although only an editorial change in terminology throughout the rules, "game" will now be referred to as "set".
32. A volleyball **MATCH** will consist of 2 out of 3 **SETS**.
33. **ATHLETIC COORDINATORS WILL E-MAIL UIL SCHOOL WITH THE RESULTS OF MATCHES BY NO LATER THAN NOON TIME ON MONDAY**