

SBISD Middle School Volleyball Pool Play Guidelines

1. Team ribbons will be given for 1st and 2nd place in your pool.
2. Team listed first in pool play is the home team.
3. Pool Play
 - A. Best 2 out of 3 games to 25 rally score. Cap to 30.
Third game is to 15. Cap to 20.
4. Gym Coordinator
 - A. The gym coordinator is responsible for recording all scores of each match in their pool to determine the 1st and 2nd place team. Email results to Coach Stokebrand, and present ribbons to 1st and 2nd place coaches.
 - B. If there is a tie, the gym coordinator will use the following methods to break the tie.

Pool Play Tiebreaker:

Method 1: When 2 teams are tied in match win/loss percentage, the following methods will be used:

- a. The team that defeated the other in head-to-head competition will be the winner.
- b. If a tie still remains, then refer to Methods 2d-f.

Method 2: When 3 or more teams are tied:

- a. Contests among the tied teams will be looked at as if it were a “mini-pool.” The team within that group who has the highest winning match percentage will be given the highest rank.
- b. If a two-way tie exists for the top ranking after ranking the teams by match percentage, then Method 1 will be used to determine the top ranked team.
- c. Once a team is awarded the highest rank and removed from the “mini-pool,” the tie breaking process will start anew using methods 1 and 2.
- d. If a tie still remains, then the team within that group that has the highest winning set percentage (set wins/total sets) will be given the highest rank.
- e. If a tie still remains, then point differential (15-point max).
- f. If a tie still remains, then coin flip.

3. Warm-up time will be 3-3-1 between matches.
 - 3 minutes receiving team on net (Coaches option)
 - 3 minutes serving team on net (Coaches option)
 - 1-minute shared serving
4. Players may do agility and stretching in the halls, but please NO BALL warm-up in the hallways or near a court where a match is still in progress.
5. **Please bring 1 linesman or a player from your team will serve as the linesman.**
6. **Please DO NOT bring your own balls.** Balls and ball carts will be available on each court for both the home and visiting teams.
7. Please bring your own water bottles.
8. **Matches will be played early if the preceding match is completed. Be ready!!**
Exception: Please ask the officials if and when they want to take a short lunch break.
9. A Hospitality Room for coaches, officials and bus drivers **ONLY** will be available at all sites. Please do NOT allow your players to “browse” the Hospitality Room.