

KMS/West Valley 7th Grade Volleyball Tournament: October 5th-7th, 2026

Competition Guidelines:

1. Pool Play matches will be 2 sets to 25 points, with a cap of 30 (win by 2), no matter the outcome. Sets won/lost and scores for each will be recorded. Standard middle school volleyball rules apply, including the 5-serve rule - teams must rotate servers after 5 consecutive points.
2. Single-elimination tournament matches will be a best 2 out of 3 sets on Wednesday, October 7th. The first two sets will be played to 25, win by 2, with a cap of 30. The third set will be played, if necessary, to 15 with a cap of 20.
 - a. Tournament directors will update the pool play results as games are reported, so teams will have an idea of where they stand going into Tuesday's pool play.
3. All teams are guaranteed 4 matches overall, 2 pool play games and at least 1 elimination bracket game.
4. Seeding Criteria: (1) pool play record, (2) set differential, (3) total point differential, (4) coin toss
5. Have your team @ the gym and ready to go, **NO EARLIER** than ½ hour before game time. Our goal is to keep the matches running on time!
6. There will always be *at least* a 6-minute warm-up (3-3)

*** *Each team will be responsible for providing one line judge for their game. If there are not two capable people to line judge, then there will not be any line judges for the games.*

General Information:

1. The host school will supply the warm-up balls.
2. For Pool Play, the Home Team is listed first. The visiting team is listed second. The Home and Visiting Team benches will be labeled appropriately. A coin toss will determine who serves first.
3. For tournament play, the Home Team is on the TOP LINE of the bracket.
4. ONLY gym shoes are allowed on the floor. These shoes should NOT be worn outside.
5. **Coaches are responsible for their players at ALL times at the host school.**
6. A locker room is available for your team. The gate person & A.D. will direct you accordingly.
7. Concessions will be available most of the weekend! **Note: food and drink are allowed in the KMS gyms, but NOT West Valley.** We ask that everyone picks up trash and leaves the locker room clean.
8. Admission Prices: Adults \$6.00 per day, Students/Seniors \$3.00 per day. Children under 4 are free.
9. We are asking each team to submit an entry fee of \$68 to cover the cost of officials. Schools with multiple teams will be responsible for \$68 per team entered in the tournament. **Please write checks to Kalispell Middle School (205 Northwest Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901).**
10. If you have any questions, please email Brittany Burnham at brittany.burnham@sd5.k12.mt.us and Emma Johnson at ejohnson@westvalleyschool.com.
11. Trophies will be given to the top 2 teams, with medals given to all participants on the championship team.

*** *Roster (Google shared sheet) is due by Friday, October 2nd. The entry fee is due by your first MATCH.* ***

Thank You!

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