

SIJHSAA
2018-19 BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL
REGULATIONS

*The SIJHSAA follows National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) Rules. These are the same that are used by the Illinois High School Athletic Association. NFHS Rule Books may be purchased on the IHSA Website. (www.ihsa.org) The following are exceptions to the NFHS Rules.

Boys and Girls Basketball Regulations

1. **Quarter Length:** For SIJHSAA regular season games, the quarters shall be 7 minutes in 8th grade games and 6 minutes in 7th grade games.

2. **Overtime Periods:** Shall be 3 minutes in length.

3. All "B" or "JV" games are designated for students in the 7th grade and below.

4. The SIJHSAA has no jurisdiction over contests below the 7th grade level.

5. **6 quarter Rule:** A player may not play in more than six(6) quarters per night or day....except tournament play. Overtime periods shall be considered extensions of the 4th quarter.

(A) Violation of the rule shall be brought to the attention of the game officials by THE OFFICIAL SCOREKEEPER and shall result in a technical foul on the coach and immediate removal of the player involved from the contest.

(B) If the player is not removed immediately, the game is forfeited and the coach shall be suspended for one game.

(C) The violation shall be reported by both schools to the SIJHSAA office within 24 hours of the violation.

*Please use common sense when the opposing team simply doesn't have enough players to avoid violation of this rule.

6. **Ejections:** Any player, coach, or fan that is ejected from an SIJHSAA Event should be reported to my office by the official and schools involved. Refer to SIJHSAA By Law: Article VIII: Sportsmanship for penalties.

7. **Mercy Rule:** The Mercy Rule will be used in all regular season and SIJHSAA Basketball State Series games.

Member School Reminders

1. **Length of Season:** The first day of school until the completion of the SIJHSAA State Basketball Tournament.

2. **Game Limitations:**

*16 regular season games & (3) tournaments

*17 or 18 regular season games & (2) tournaments

*19 or 20 regular season games & (1) tournament

*21 or 22 regular season games & (0) tournaments

*REGIONAL AND STATE GAMES DON'T COUNT AGAINST A TEAM'S NUMBER OF GAMES OR TOURNAMENTS.

*FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THIS RULE SHALL CAUSE THE SCHOOL TO BE DENIED ENTRANCE INTO THE STATE SERIES & POSSIBLE SIJHSAA PROBATION FOR THE SCHOOL.

3. **Shootouts:** Each game in a shootout counts as a regular season game not a tournament.

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