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November 11-13, 2010

TO: ADMINISTRATORS AND COACHES OF THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE QUALIFIED FOR THE 2010 STATE ALL CLASS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

FROM: SCOTT McDONALD, TOURNAMENT MANAGER

CONGRATULATIONS on being one of the teams that qualified to participate in the 2010 State All-Class Volleyball Tournament! This state tournament will be staged in the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse at Montana State University in Bozeman on November 11-13, 2010

Your divisional manager / playoff host is cooperating with your state tournament manager by delivering this package to a representative of your school. This packet contains items that are in need of immediate attention, and topics in this bulletin have been listed alphabetically.

INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE:

- ✓ MSU-Bozeman Ticket Information Sheet explaining the process to buy general admission tickets to be purchased by phone.
- ✓ Fourteen (14) complimentary All-Session Tickets.
- ✓ One map of the arena.
- ✓ Two maps of the parking areas – one map showing general parking areas and another showing bus parking and bus loading and unloading area. Parking attendants will be on duty to assist.
- ✓ One (1) parking permit.
- ✓ Twelve (12) passes for players and four (4) passes for managers [sixteen (16) total].
- ✓ Two copies of the official MHSА Tournament Plan showing team seeding, match times, home/visitor schedule, and locker room assignments.
- ✓ One copy of the *Policy on Cheerleading*.
- ✓ One copy of *Information and Requests* (includes information regarding Coaches Meeting).
- ✓ One copy of *Pre-Match Instructions*
- ✓ One copy of *Introduction of Players*
- ✓ One copy of *Band Information*
- ✓ One copy of *Statisticians's (Roster) Form*. **Completed stats form is to be emailed to Janie Holmes (jholmes@mhsa.org) by Monday, November 8th.**

TO BE TAKEN CARE OF IMMEDIATELY:

Tournament Programs: All tournament information should have been forwarded to MBP Custom Publishers (2234 42nd Street, Missoula MT 59803) who will be handling the tournament programs. If you have any questions call 1-406-240-0176.

AWARDS

- Trophies, etc will be awarded at the conclusion of the final tournament matches. The audience is to remain seated during the presentation of awards so that all may have a chance to see the ceremony. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams of each classification after the championship match.

BANDS

- All schools are invited to bring their pep bands.

- To provide the optimal conditions for all athletes throughout the tournament, bands will not be allowed to play when there is live ball action on any of the four courts. Band directors are responsible for ensuring that bands do not play during any live ball situations, even if the match has concluded on their classification's court.
- Bands are not guaranteed a minimum amount of performance time because of the possibility of overlapping matches among the four playing courts.
- Because of concerns over possible electrical outage, the fieldhouse will not permit bands to use electronic instruments during this tournament.
- The fieldhouse will not be responsible for instrument storage.
- Band buses will park in a designated area in the stadium parking lot south of the fieldhouse (see map). Band loading and unloading will be in a designated lane at the southeast corner of the fieldhouse (see map).
- Free admission when the band is accompanied and vouched for by the school's band director.
- **BAND DIRECTORS AND CHAPERONS MUST HAVE A TICKET TO ATTEND THE TOURNAMENT. (INCLUDED IN THE 14 COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS.)**

BANNERS AND SIGNS

- Banners and signs can be displayed on the fieldhouse walls only.
- Space for banners is limited. Each team will be allowed to hang no more than two (2) banners/signs, and they should be moderate in size.
- Fieldhouse management will show students the proper areas to hang materials.
- Banners and signs can be put up starting Thursday, November 11th at 8:00 a.m. Painters' tape or floor tape will only be allowed to hang banners and signs. Duct tape will not be allowed.
- No banners or signs will be allowed in any area where the view of spectators is obstructed, on railings, or on cat walks.
- Only banners or signs with slogans in good taste will be allowed.
- Stress to your cheerleaders that they should not cover up any other schools' banners with their own as this has caused serious problems in the past.

BEVERAGES / FOOD

- Alcoholic beverages, drugs and tobacco products are not allowed in any part of the MSU-Bozeman fieldhouse complex.
- Teams and players are not allowed to bring food into the fieldhouse.

BROADCASTING

- The joint policy of the MHSA Executive Board and Montana Broadcasters' Association will apply to this tournament as outlined on pages 49-52 of the MHSA Handbook.
- Please notify your area's stations to contact Scott McDonald for broadcast rights.

BUSES

- Team / band buses will park in a designated area in the stadium parking lot south of the fieldhouse (see map). Bus loading and unloading will be in a designated lane at the southeast or northeast corner of the fieldhouse (see map).
- **BUS DRIVERS MUST HAVE A TICKET TO ATTEND THE TOURNAMENT. (INCLUDED IN THE FOURTEEN COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS.)**

CHEERLEADERS

- Buses carrying cheerleaders will park in a designated area in the stadium parking lot south of the fieldhouse (see map). Bus loading and unloading will be in a designated lane at the northeast corner of the fieldhouse (see map).
- Passes for cheerleaders will be given to the volleyball coach at their November 11th Coaches' Meeting. Please have those passes available when they approach the pass gate.
- **CHEERLEADER COACHES MUST HAVE TICKETS (INCLUDED IN THE FOURTEEN COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS.)**
- A cheerleader dressing room will be provided for cheerleaders and will be located in the restrooms on the second level on the north side of the fieldhouse. This restroom will not be open

to the public; however it will not be locked. Please take steps to insure the safety of your team's valuables/belongings.

- All National Federation and MHSA rules pertaining to cheerleaders will be followed.
- An information sheet is enclosed with this bulletin and will be emailed to all cheer coaches of those schools attending the tournament.

COACHES' NOTES

- There will be mandatory Coaches' Meetings on Thursday, November 11th. One coaches' meeting will be held in the Hospitality Room (Hall of Fame Room) of the fieldhouse at 8:00 a.m. for coaches from schools whose teams are playing in the morning (10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon) and another meeting will be held in the Hospitality Room (Hall of Fame Room) at 12:30 p.m. for coaches whose teams are playing in the afternoon (2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.). Please have a representative present.
- The home/visitor schedule is enclosed.
- Teams designated as the "home" team will sit on the bench to the left of the score table while facing the court and the "visitors" will sit to right of the score table.
- Teams will warm up and play on their side of the net in the first set (National Federation Rule).
- There will be at least a 20-minute warm up period for teams before each match.
- An accurate roster giving names and uniform numbers of all players must be at the scorer's bench at least 10 minutes before play begins.
- Introductions – Starters will be introduced for first round matches and championship matches according to the enclosed *Introduction of Players* sheet.
- Volleyballs will be furnished by sports facilities for warm-ups. **Please do not bring your own warm up volleyballs into the fieldhouse or Shroyer Gym.**
- Pre-tournament practice – no team will be permitted to practice on the fieldhouse floor at any time during the tournament (other than regular warm-ups) or any time during the ten day period immediately preceding the opening of the tournament.
- All personnel (team, managers, coaches, bus drivers' etc.) **must have a ticket for admission.**
- Coach, player, and cheerleader admission – all teams are asked to use the door at the northeast corner of the fieldhouse. Buses can drop all teams' personnel off in this area (see enclosed map). The fieldhouse and locker rooms will be open for team entrance one and a half (1 ½) hours before the first match each day of the tournament.
- Team buses will then park in the designated areas of the stadium parking lot south of the fieldhouse (see enclosed map).

CONCESSIONS

- Concessions will be located in the north and south mezzanines.

CROWD CONTROL

- The formation of "rally lines" by spectators, fans, and/or students on or near the playing floor during the introduction of players is prohibited.
- During player introductions players may not leave the playing floor or enter the spectator section. Anyone associated with an Association tournament (players, fans, cheerleaders etc.) may not throw objects into the spectator section.
- The student sections are prohibited from any activity that poses a safety risk or interferes with competition, including jumping or bouncing on the bleachers at any time.
- Fans (students and adults) must wear shirts at all MHSA activities.
- No fans will be allowed on the floor following any match.
- Balloons or silly string will not be allowed in the facility, and the use of confetti is prohibited as are laser lights.
- National Federation and MHSA rules state, "The playing of music/sound effects shall only be permitted during pre-match, time-outs, intermission and post-match. The use of artificial noisemakers shall be prohibited. Artificial noisemakers prohibited at matches include but are not limited to: megaphones, cowbells, sirens, bells, whistles, air horns, drums, wooden blocks, clackers, **thundersticks**, cans or bottles with marbles or rocks inside, popping of paper bags and various other creations.
- Bands may not play during "live ball" situations.

- The Recommended Guidelines for Crowd Control are found on pages 52-57 of the current MHSA Handbook. Please review sportsmanship guidelines with your student body, volleyball team, coaching staff, and whenever possible, your local booster club.
- Any student or spectator who is suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed in the tournament.

END OF MATCH PROTOCOL

- Note that the end of set / match protocol will be the same as it was this year for regular season per National Federation Rule 9-2-2.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

- A Hospitality Room for school officials and tournament personnel will be held in the Hall of Fame Room which is to your immediate left when you enter through the main south entrance.

HOUSING

- Schools will responsible for their own housing and should take care of that task as soon as possible.

INTRODUCTIONS

- Starters will be introduced for first round matches and championship matches according to the enclosed *Introduction of Players* sheet.

LAUNDRY

- Laundry service will not be provided during the tournament.

LOCKER ROOMS

- Locker room assignments are listed on the tournament bracket.
- Locker rooms will not be locked. Please take steps to ensure the safety of your team's valuables/belongings.

MATCH TIMES/SEEDING

- Seeding in the tournament bracket will be as printed in the MHSA Handbook on pages 188, 195, 196, 199, and 202. The standard Association bracket will be used and will follow the prescribed pattern for assignment of officials etc.
- Match Time Schedule:

All Classes	Thursday Match Times: 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:00 p.m
All Classes	Friday Match Times: 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m.; 4:00 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:00 p.m.
Classes AA & C	Saturday Match Times: 11:00 a.m.; 1:00 p.m.; 3:00 p.m. (if necessary)
Classes A & B	Saturday Match Times: 11:00 a.m.; 3:00 p.m.; 5:00 p.m. (if necessary)

Doors will open for ticket sales: Thursday and Friday / 9:00 a.m. and Saturday / 10:00

MEDIA STATISTICIANS FORMS

- A memo explaining the media stats form is enclosed with this mailing. Please follow the enclosed instructions and email to Janie Holmes (jholmes@mhsa.org) by Monday morning, November 8th.

NEWS RELEASES

- Newspapers and television stations will be contacted after each match and given the information desired if they request this information. Please note: We would appreciate each team providing the floor manager with relevant statistics at the conclusion of each match that will be faxed to media outlets.

OBSERVANCE OF THE AMERICAN FLAG

- The designated band (the band chosen to play the National Anthem) is responsible for the opening ceremonies and patriotic observance of the American Flag.
- The tournament manager will arrange the presentation of colors and the fieldhouse will provide flags.

OFFICIALS

- Each school was sent a ballot to select officials for the State All-Class Volleyball Tournament. All ballots that were returned to the MHSА office were tabulated. Selection was then made according to the procedure found in the MHSА Handbook on page 301. The officials are:

State AA: Bob Docktor, Helena; Tim Evans, Missoula; Mike Fischer, Manhattan; Fred Holbeck, Hamilton; Kristy Schlimgen, Victor; and Laura Sundheim, Hardin

State A: Tony Laslovich, Anaconda; Phil Leonardi, Hamilton; Bill Rummel, Hamilton; Norma Stene, Billings; Alyce Yoakam, Hamilton, and Jim Younkin, Butte

State B: Cindy Buechler, Columbus; Gail Davis, Cut Bank; J.R. Iman, Hamilton; Jon Knaub, Laurel; Pete Lathrop, Missoula; and Stephanie Moerkerke, Conrad

State C: Sherrie Bawden, Sidney; Tyler Bowen, Missoula; Bonnie Jo Cook, Fort Benton; Scott Donisthorpe, Great Falls; Mari Krumwiede, Lewistown; and Annette McLean, Twin Bridges

Officials' numbers for the rotation will be drawn at the pre-tournament officials' meeting and the rotation sheet will be available to coaches and officials.

PARKING

- A map is enclosed showing the parking area for officials and administrators.
- A parking permit is enclosed for school use. Please display your permit on the dashboard of your vehicle. Parking attendants will be on duty the entire tournament.

PRE-MATCH WARM-UP

- Shroyer Gym will be used for pre-match warm-ups.
- MSU sports facilities will furnish practice volleyballs for this area. Please do not bring your own warm up volleyballs into the fieldhouse or Shroyer Gym.

SECURITY

- Security will be provided by MSU-Bozeman management.

STATISTICS

- We are asking for teams to supply the floor manager with copies of your stats taken during each match. Forms will be distributed at the coaches' meeting for teams to record their stats on and give them to the floor manager. This will be explained further at the coaches' meeting.

TICKET INFORMATION

- All tickets sold will be general admission. No reserved tickets will be available.
- Doors open for ticket sales at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday and Friday and at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday.
- Will call tickets will be in the fieldhouse's south ticket office.
- Ticket Price Schedule:

General Admission	Adults	Students
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Non Reserved All-Session	\$23.00	\$17.00
Thursday or Friday – All Day Pass	\$9.00	\$7.00
Thursday or Friday – After 5:00 p.m.	\$7.00	\$5.00
Saturday – All Day Pass	\$7.00	\$5.00

- Students wishing to purchase student tickets will have to present positive student identification in order to purchase them at the ticket office.
- **School Passes -- The policy on tournament passes is found on page 193 of the current MHSA Handbook. These passes are to be “distributed by the superintendent to principals, coaches, band persons, school board chairpersons, bus drivers, sponsors of half time entertainment, cheerleader coaches etc. and maybe spouses of some of these individuals.**
- Each team participating in the tournament is entitled to sixteen (16) player passes – twelve (12) for players and four (4) for managers.
- Tickets for the coaches are included in the fourteen (14) complimentary tickets, which are being provided to your school. No additional complimentary tickets will be available for the tournament. If your school wishes to extend the courtesy of complimentary tickets to the school or community personnel, they must be purchased.

TOURNAMENT MATCH BALLS

- The tournament match balls will be provided by the MHSA.

TOWELS

- Towels will not be provided at team benches and teams must request towels for use in the locker rooms.

TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS

- Beginning November 9th all communications concerning the tournament should be addressed to Scott McDonald, Brick Breeden Fieldhouse, Montana State University, Bozeman, Montana 59717. Tournament headquarters will be located in the fieldhouse during this tournament. (Phone number: 994-7117).

TRAINER

- Trainers will be on site during each session.
- Training room facilities will be available and will be located in the north hallway of the arena. Please bring your own training supplies.

VIDEO

- Video taping by teams may be done from the four corners of the Arena (upper mezzanine only) and guidelines found on pages 49-50 of the current MHSA Handbook must be followed. Please note: Battery packs must be used. No electrical outlets will be provided.
- PLEASE ADVISE PARENTS THAT PERSONAL VIDEO EQUIPMENT WITH TRIPODS WILL BE ALLOWED ONLY IN DESIGNATED AREAS AND FOR YOUR MATCH ONLY.

WARM-UP

- Shroyer Gym will be used for warm-ups. MSU sports facilities will furnish volleyballs for this area.

WATER

- Water will be provided for each team at their bench.



Five copies of this bulletin are included in each packet for each school that has qualified for the state tournament. Please see that your principal, volleyball coach, band director, and cheerleader coach are given a copy of this bulletin.

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INFORMATION AND REQUESTS

1. COACHES' MEETING

There will be a Coaches Meeting on Thursday, November 11th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Hospitality Room (Hall of Fame room) of the fieldhouse for coaches from schools whose teams are playing in the morning (10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon) and again at 12:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room (Hall of Fame Room) for coaches whose teams are playing in the afternoon (2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.). I am asking that a coach or representative from your staff meet at that time for a general information meeting. Please have someone attend.

2. HOUSING

Housing arrangements for your teams were NOT made. Each team is responsible for its own.

3. STUDENT BODIES STANDING

STUDENT BODIES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STAND DURING LIVE BALL SITUATIONS. Administrators should inform their cheerleaders and students of this. Student bodies will not be allowed to sit behind the opposing team during the first set of the match. Administrators will be asked to help with any crowd control problems, if they exist.

4. CROWD CONTROL ITEM

Fans with small children are encouraged to keep their children with them and not allow them to run through the hallways of the facility.

5. FANS LINING BOUNDARY DURING INTRODUCTIONS / THROWING OF OBJECTS

Because of crowd control problems which can be caused by players running through a gauntlet line of fans, this practice **will not** be allowed during the tournament. During player introductions, players may not leave the playing floor or enter the spectator section. Anyone associated with an Association contest (regular season or post season) is prohibited from throwing any type of object into or from any spectator section. Administrators should inform their cheerleaders and students of this. Also, fans (students and adults) must wear shirts at all MHSA activities and student sections are prohibited from any activity that poses a safety risk or interferes with competition, including jumping or bouncing on the bleachers at any time. MHSA policy mandates these restrictions. See MHSA Handbook, K, M, and N on pages 53-54 and Items 10 and 11 under Student Section on page 55.

6. POST MATCH FLOOR CONTROL

Please advise your people to stay off the playing floor at the end of matches. The dangers of potential injury are a major concern.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

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POLICY ON CHEERLEADING

Admittance

Please use the doors at the northeast entrance of the fieldhouse. Doors will be open 1 ½ hours before the first match each day of the tournament.

Awards

Trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the final matches and will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams of each classification.

Balloons / Silly String / Laser Lights

Balloons, silly string, confetti, and laser lights are prohibited and will not be allowed in the facility.

Bands

To provide the optimal conditions for all athletes throughout the tournament, bands will not be allowed to play when there is live ball action on any of the four courts. Band directors are responsible for ensuring that bands do not play during **any** live ball situations, even if the matches have concluded on their classification's court. Bands are not guaranteed a minimum amount of performance time because of the possibility of overlapping matches among the four playing courts.

Banners and Signs

Space for banners is limited. Each team will be allowed to hang no more than two (2) banners / signs, and they should be moderate in size. Banners and signs can be put up starting Thursday, November 11th at 8:00 a.m. Only banners or signs with slogans in good taste will be allowed.

Each classification will have a separate area in which to hang their signs and banners and signs can be displayed on the fieldhouse walls only. No banners or signs will be allowed in any area where the view of spectators is obstructed, on railings, or on cat walks. Painters' tape or floor tape will only be allowed to hang banners and signs. Duct tape will not be allowed. Please do not cover up any other schools' banners with their own as this has caused serious problems in the past.

Cheers and Chants

Cheers and chants should be performed in a positive manner. It is inappropriate to cheer against the other team or to cheer in response to an opposing player's mistakes. Intimidation of opponents has no place in high school activities.

Concessions

Concessions are located in the north and south mezzanine.

Crowd Control

Because of crowd control problems which can be caused by players running through a gauntlet line of fans, this practice will not be allowed during the tournament. During player introductions, players may not throw objects into the spectator section. Anyone associated with an Association contest is prohibited from throwing any type of object into or from any spectator section. Fans (adults and students) must wear shirts at all MHSA activities and student sections are prohibited from any activity that poses a safety risk or interferes with competition, including jumping or bouncing on the bleachers at any time.

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Administrators should inform their students of this. MHSA policy mandates these restrictions. See [MHSA Handbook](#) items, K, M, and N, pages 53-54 and Items 10 and 11 under the Student Section on page 55.

Dressing Room

A cheerleader dressing room will be provided for cheerleaders and will be located in the restrooms on the second level on the north side of the fieldhouse. This restroom will not be open to the public.

Hospitality Room

A hospitality room for spirit coaches and other school administration is being provided and is located in the Hall of Fame room.

Noisemakers

The use of artificial noisemakers shall be prohibited. Artificial noisemakers prohibited at games include but are not limited to: megaphones, cowbells, sirens, bells, whistles, air horns, drums, wooden blocks, clackers, **thundersticks**, cans or bottles with marbles or rocks inside, popping of paper bags and various other creations. See Item J on page 53 of the [MHSA Handbook](#).

Observance of Flag / Flag Presentation

Cheerleaders will **not** present flags at this tournament. If a band is present, they will be asked to play the National Anthem. If no band is present, other arrangements will be made.

Passes

Passes for cheerleaders will be given to the volleyball coach at their November 11th Coaches' Meeting. Please have those passes available when they approach the pass gate.

Spirit coaches' will not be given a pass. They must receive their pass from the 14 complimentary tickets which are being given to each school.

Rules

All National Federation and MHSA rules will be followed, **some** of which include no jewelry, no glitter, and hair must be away from face and off shoulders.

Stunting

Stunting shall not be performed during live ball action. All stunts are subject to National Federation safety guidelines. We request that you complete your stunts when the horn sounds and play is to resume.

Where to stand

Cheerleaders may be on the playing floor and boundary area during pregame activities, and between sets. When volleyball play is in progress we request that all cheerleaders remain off the floor.

We request that you do all that is possible to insure that the 2010 State All Class Volleyball Tournament will be a showcase of sportsmanship. Your cooperation is appreciated and we thank you in advance for adhering to these regulations. Have a good tournament.

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STATISTICIAN'S (ROSTER) FORM

For the MHSА to receive your statistician's (roster) form, please use the form available in electronic format on the MHSА website. **Please complete the form using the instructions below and email it to Janie Holmes at jholmes@mhsa.org on Monday morning, November 8th.** This form will be included in a media packet for those media personnel in attendance at this event. Please include on the form all of the players' names you may use in the tournament.

Instructions for Inputting Team Information on Statistician's (Roster) Form

1. Go to the MHSА website at www.mhsa.org
2. In the blue section to the left, click "Volleyball"
3. Scroll down to a blue tab marked "Handbook & Forms"
4. There you will find a roster form named "Tournament Roster Template – Word"
5. Once the form is opened, it can be saved in a Word file. Type the required information (using all capital letters) onto the form by using the format found on the sample shown below.

STATISTICIANS' INFORMATION SHEET

(Your High School) High School

Light	Dark	Team Member	Height	Grade
12	12	MARY JONES	5'9	12
14	14	JANE BROWN	5'8"	11

If there are any questions concerning the aforementioned, please feel free to contact the MHSА office at 442-6010.

Thank you in advance.

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PRE-MATCH PROCEDURES

Please note that the following procedures will be used at the MHSА State All-Class Volleyball Tournament:

- A. **Home Team Designation and Coin Toss** – The home team will sit on the bench and warm-up on the court to the left of the score table while facing the court. The visiting team will sit on the bench and warm-up on the court to the right of the score table while facing the court. Enclosed is a state tournament bracket with home and visitor designated for each match.

The coin toss and the pre-match conference will be conducted prior to the start of the initial twenty (20) minute warm-up period with the visiting team captain calling the toss. The winner of the toss shall choose either to serve or receive. If necessary, prior to the fifth set of the match, the home captain shall call the toss. The winner shall choose to serve/receive or the playing area. The loser of the toss shall be given the remaining choice.

- B. The warm-up period will be a continuous twenty-minute (20) period. The buzzer will be sounded at twelve (12) minutes (signaling the end of joint court warm-up), and the team that serves first will have the net. At seven (7) minutes, the non-serving team will have the net. And at two (2) minutes both teams can serve. **IF** there is time before a match, teams will be allowed to use the floor (with volleyballs available) 30 minutes before the start of the scheduled match. This 30-minute period of time includes the 20-minute mandatory warm-up.
- C. After the final two (2) minute warm-up, the teams will return to their benches for quick last minute instructions.
- D. After the quick last minute instructions, the starters will proceed to their respective end lines for the playing of the National Anthem and introduction of starters and wait for the referee to start the match. Starters will be introduced during first round matches only. (**Note: the libero player is not a starter.**)

NOTE: Student body is to remain in seats during introduction ceremony. They will not be allowed on the floor

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INTRODUCTION OF PLAYERS

The following procedure has been adopted for the introduction of players:

A. FIRST ROUND MATCHES

1. After the warmup period, teams return to their bench.
2. After any quick last minute instructions, the starters will proceed to their respective end line for the playing of the National Anthem (played only before the first match of each day), and then will be introduced. (*Note: the libero player is not a starting player.*)

B. ALL MATCHES EXCEPT FIRST ROUND AND CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

1. After the warmup period, teams return to their bench.
2. After quick last minute instructions, the starters will proceed to their respective end line and wait for the referee to start the match.

C. CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES ONLY

1. Teams return to their bench.
2. Team members and coaches to their end line.
3. Announcer to introduce managers and non-starters – A1-B1 etc. Each will go **directly** to net, shake hands and return to their place in line.
4. Announcer to introduce starters – A8-B8 etc. Each go **directly** to net, shake hands and return.
5. Introduce assistant coaches – shake hands.
6. Introduce head coaches – shake hands.
7. Players and coaches return to their bench area.

Because of crowd control problems which can be caused by players running through a gauntlet line of fans, this practice **will not** be allowed during the tournament. During player introduction, players may not leave the playing floor or enter the spectator section; players may not throw objects into the spectator sections. Anyone associated with an Association contest is prohibited from throwing any types of object into or from any spectator section. Fans (adults and students) must wear shirts at all MHSA activities and student sections are prohibited from any activity that poses a safety risk or interferes with competition, including jumping or bouncing on the bleachers at any time. MHSA policy mandates these restrictions. See MHSA Handbook, K, M, and N on pages 53-54 and Items 10 and 11 under Student Section on page 55. Administrators should inform their students of this.

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BAND INFORMATION

Bands are invited to attend the State All Class Volleyball Tournament which is being held in Bozeman at MSU on November 11-13, 2010.

Please consider the following information before making a decision on whether to bring your school's band as they will not be guaranteed a minimum amount of playing time. Because bands cannot play during any live ball action on any tournament floor per MHSA rules, bands will only be guaranteed playing time before the start of each morning session. Essentially, because four matches will be played at one time and because some matches will finish earlier while others are still playing, it would not allow for optimal playing conditions for teams and athletes.

Also, because of concerns over possible electrical outages, the MSU Fieldhouse will not permit bands to use electronic instruments during the 2010 All Class Volleyball Tournament.

The State All Class Volleyball Tournament will be great for the sport of volleyball, but because of the format of four matches being played at once, it will have an effect on bands that attend.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Scott McDonald at 442-6010.

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