



2024 Tournament Guide



Time to
Spring Ahead
Sunday March 10 @2AM

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ADMISSION:

- \$8 per day (5 & under free)
- Only service dogs with properly displayed license are allowed in facilities.

SCHEDULE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Play Schedule: Please ensure you can access AES for your schedule.

- The play schedule will be posted on www.advancedeventsystems.com. Scores will be updated after every match on Advanced Event Systems. Please make sure you look at your teams officiating and playing assignments as each day progresses.
- Wave Times will be Saturday 8:00 am – 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm.
- Pools will typically consist of three or four teams: If your pool consists of 3 teams, it will be handled in one of two ways:
 - You will play two matches in your three-team pool and once the three-team pool completes its matches, the teams will be re-seeded and begin play in a cross-over match. In this scenario, only your first two matches will be listed on AES, and your third match will be determined once the three-team pools are complete, and teams are re-seeded.
 - You will play two matches with three sets to 25 each, both listed on AES.
- Once each wave starts, we will play ahead of schedule as play allows. Teams will be allowed to play with 5 players (ghost).

Team Check-in:

- **TEAMS MUST CHECK IN ONLINE IN AES Thursday March 7th.**
- Rosters will be verified online when you check in. The receipt you receive after checking in will be your coach's credential. Players will be granted entry by wearing their volleyball gear.

Tournament Play:

- Coin Flip will determine choice of serve. Matches will begin no later than 10 minutes from the conclusion of the preceding match. Matches will begin ahead of schedule as play allows. Wave start times will not be moved up. Subsequent rounds and bracket play matches will be moved up whenever time allows. At the start time, if teams are not ready to play, the opposing team will be awarded one point per minute. After ten minutes, the first game will then be forfeited. The second game and match will also be forfeited after an additional 10 minutes.
- There are no caps for any sets. Third set will be up to 15, no cap, but we will not switch sides at 8. Coaches are allowed to designate 2 liberos. The libero is allowed to serve for one position.

Work Team Assignments:

- First official will be provided for all matches. Each team is responsible to provide: 1 down official, 2 lines people, 1 official scorekeeper and 1 libero tracker/scoreboard. You are responsible for your own whistles.
- No phones or food are allowed for the working teams. All coaches/teams need to double-check their officiating assignments throughout the weekend, especially for Sunday. Please check in with your Site Director to ensure your officiating duties are fulfilled before leaving on Sunday.
- If you are late for your officiating assignment, the same penalties apply as to match and forfeit times. All penalties will be carried over to the following day if necessary. Please check closely to be sure you know the schedule. If you are uncertain, please ask the tournament director at your site. On time means the start of warm-ups, not match start time.
- It is required that a coach or other adult team representative remains in the scorer's table/bench area during team officiating assignments.
- During bracket play on Sunday, all losing teams must stay and provide the work team for the following match unless specified differently. The game scheduled on your court may or may not be part of your division. If your match is switched to another court, you are still required to provide the work team. Please make sure to check with your site's Tournament Director before leaving.

WARM-UP PROCEDURES

For all matches during the event, warm-up time will be 2-4-4. 2 minutes for shared ball handling, 4 minutes for the serving team to have the entire court, 4 minutes for the receiving team to have the entire court.

Matches will be played ahead of schedule if possible. We are asking teams to help shag for their opponent during warm-ups to keep balls off other courts.

Warm-up balls are NOT provided at any site. Teams must bring their own warm-up balls.

Complete posting of results and next round of play will be available on the Advanced Event Systems website (<http://www.advancedeventsystems.com>.) This is the official schedule. There will not be any posting of pool results around the tournament desk. Check AES for all results. Before leaving your site, be sure to check your schedule carefully for the next day. Site Directors and officials will not be held accountable for miscommunication or schedule interpretations. The official tournament posting on AES is the only source that will be considered should a dispute arise.

TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES

There will be no play-offs to break any ties.

2 Way tie

- Head-to-head

3 Way tie

- Set percentage, sets won divided by sets played.
- Point percentage: points scored divided by the total points scored by the team's opponents.
- Coin Flip

PROTEST PROCEDURES

If a protest needs to be filed it must be done at the time of the incident, no later. The first referee is obligated to acknowledge and record all protests. For U15-U18 teams, only the floor captain may file a protest. For U12-U14 teams, the coach or the floor captain may protest. The protest must be written on the score sheet by the official scorekeeper or the first-official and must be signed by the person presenting the protest as well as the first official. All protests will be ruled upon prior to the next service. Judgment calls may not be protested. Protests will be considered only for situations outlined in the United States Volleyball Official Rules booklet. The Head Official will handle all protests and their rulings are final.

GENERAL RULES:

Only AAU registered members are allowed on the bench & court.

AAU Registered coach must be on the bench. A team without an AAU registered coach is considered incomplete and may not play.

Any abuse of tournament officials or staff by players, coaches or parents will result in that person's removal from the tournament.

Chairs that are provided for team benches may not be moved or taken to another area.

Players may pack snack in their bag.

Check the information for each site below for concession availability.

Fine Designs will be selling tournament gear and t-shirts.

Facility Rules

- NO Outside food or drink allowed in any facility.
- NO Coolers or Wagons allowed.
- Children must always be under adult supervision.
- Electrical outlets may not be used.
- No smoking or vaping inside or on the grounds of any facility.

PLAYING SITES INFORMATION

No warm-up balls provided at any site – teams are responsible to bring their own warm-up balls.

United Wholesale Mortgage Sports Complex, 867 South Blvd E, Pontiac

- Courts 1-16
- Concessions available
- NO outside chairs allowed.
- Admission – Credit/Debit Card only

Schoolcraft College & Trinity Health Sports Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia 48152 Schoolcraft Gym Courts enter through the Trinity Health Sports Center entrance.

- Courts 1-8 (TH), 1-3 (SC)
- Concessions available
- NO outside chairs allowed.
- Admission – Credit/Debit Card only

Elite Sportsplex (ESP), 2220 Mall Dr. East, Waterford

- Courts 1-6
- Concessions available
- Bring non-marking chairs.
- Admission – Credit/Debit Card only

Michigan Stars Sports Center 65665 Powell Rd, Washington, MI

- Courts 1-4
- Concessions available
- Bring non-marking chairs.
- Admission – Credit/Debit Card only

Jewish Community Center (JCC), 6600 W Maple Rd, West Bloomfield Twp.

- Courts 1-7
- No Concessions
- Bring non-marking chairs.
- Admission cash or credit card

High Velocity Sports, 46245 Michigan Ave, Canton

- Courts 1-4
- Concessions available
- Plenty of Seating may bring non-marking chairs.
- Admission cash or credit card

Thurston HS, 26255 Schoolcraft Ave, Redford

- Courts 1-3
- Concessions available
- Bring non-marking chairs.
- Admission Cash only

West Bloomfield MS, 6000 Orchard Lake Rd, West Bloomfield Township

- Courts 1-2
- No Concessions
- NO outside chairs allowed.
- Admission Cash only

Roosevelt Elementary, 3380 Orchard Lake Rd, West Bloomfield Township

- Courts 1-2
- No Concessions
- NO outside chairs allowed.
- Admission Cash only