

## Week #1 – August 15, 2022

### **Rules Exam Due August 25**

The deadline for submitting answers to this year's rules exam is **August 25**. The results will be posted shortly after the window closes. To check your score, log on to the KSHSAA site as when you submitted your answers. All head middle school and high school coaches and registered officials are required to complete this exam by the deadline.

### **Rules Meetings**

All head middle and high school coaches will need to complete the online rules meeting prior to August 25. This meeting can be located through the Oncore account on the KSHSAA site.

Officials must attend one of the eight in-person rules meetings or complete the online rules meeting before August 25. Attendance at one of these meetings is required to be considered for postseason assignments.

### **Letters of Permission**

All players wearing the following items will need a letter of approval from the KSHSAA: artificial limb, cochlear implant, helmet/concussion band, change in uniform for religious beliefs. Please send request along with student's name and grade. Coaches are to present letter (dated 2022) to the officials at the pre-match conference.

Daith Piercing is Not Permitted - Our Sports Medicine Advisory Committee supports the NFHS position that there is no medical evidence to support daith piercing in the treatment of migraines. KSHSAA staff will not grant medical exceptions for this practice.

### **Team Benches**

Kansas has approved to have teams remain on the same bench unless there is a distinct disadvantage for a team on one side of the court as determined by the R1 and R2. In that case, the teams will switch sides after each set. Possible considerations for a distinct disadvantage on a court might include:

- Overhead obstructions
- Smaller serving area
- Windows or lighting
- Amount of playable area
- Spectator entry or traffic

### **Uniform Bottoms**

Rule 4-2-1f – Eliminates the manufacturer logo/trademark/reference restrictions on the waistband only of the uniform bottom. There can be multiple styles of uniform bottoms (shorts, spandex, pants (leggings) or skirt) if they are like colored.

### **Hair Adornments**

Rule 4-1-6a – Allows hair adornments provided they are securely fastened and do not increase risk to the athlete, teammates and opponents while eliminating the length restriction of 2 inches for bobby pins, flat clips, and flat barrettes.

### **Line Judge Flags Required for High School Varsity Matches**

Schools are responsible for providing and training line judges for volleyball matches. Information on line judges can be found in the Volleyball Case Book and Officials Manual on pages 124-130. As a reminder, line judges may signal a fault on either antenna.

Line judges are required to use red flags when working a high school varsity match. Schools are to provide the flags and should have a set (2 flags) for each court being used. The use of flags at sub-varsity and middle school matches are encouraged but not required. The neutral position (both hands on the flag/stick) should be used when not making a call. Line judge duties = **FLATS** (Foot faults, Lines, Antenna, Touches, where to Stand). At time-out, line judges are to go to attack line area on sideline near R1.

### **Referee padding**

Rule 3-1-3 – The rungs of the ladder do not need to be padded, only the front and sides.

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