

## Week #6 – September 20, 2022

### **Libero Lessons**

Libero Uniform - Rule 4-2-2 states that the libero uniform top must clearly contrast from the predominant color(s) of the team uniform top, excluding trim. The libero's uniform top cannot be made solely of the same predominant color(s) of the team's uniform top, even if the like color(s) are placed differently on the uniform top.

Contrasting is defined that if the team uniform is a dark color, then the libero uniform needs to be a light color. There should not be two light colors or two dark colors, even if they are different colors. Officials need to be able to identify the libero quickly and accurately when officiating.

Libero Substitution – Unless the libero is going back to serve, they must come out for one play if the coach is going to put them into a different position.

NFHS Rule 9-5-6: "A libero shall not:

- a. Complete an attack from anywhere if, at the moment of contact, the ball is entirely above the height of the net;
- b. Set the ball using overhead finger action while on or in front of the attack line extended, resulting in a completed attack above the height of the net;
- c. Block or attempt to block;
- d. Rotate to the front row."

### **Nonplayable Area**

NFHS Rule 2-1-10 states "Nonplayable area is that space located beyond the court and surrounding playable area. It includes wall, bleachers, team benches, area behind the team benches, and any other areas identified in the prematch conference, deemed by the first referee as unsuitable for playable area."

There has been some conversations with officials regarding the area behind team benches. This NFHS rule clearly states that the area behind team benches is deemed unplayable.

### **Re-Serve Procedures**

NFHS Rule 8-1-6: "A re-serve shall be called when the server releases the ball for service, then catches it or it drops to the floor. The first referee shall cancel the serve and direct a second and last attempt at serve. The server is allowed a new five seconds for the re-serve. A tossed ball that contacts a backboard or its supports hanging in a vertical position over the serving area is an illegal serve and not eligible for a re-serve."

### **Update Scores**

Please be respectful of all coaches by updating your scores onto the KSHSAA website. Many coaches use this to monitor records and prepare for upcoming matches. It is each team's responsibility to make

sure those scores are current. This is often assigned to an assistant coach who can do this on the way home from the games.

### **Protocol**

As a reminder, the protocol for the beginning of a match and the end of the match have returned to pre-Covid procedures. This means that teams should come to the net at the beginning of the match and at the end of the match to demonstrate sportsmanship. Sportsmanship is a point of emphasis through the NFHS this year and these protocols and how they are followed set the tone for sportsmanship throughout the match. As officials and coaches, it is the adult's responsibility to make sure all athletes are following this protocol at the net.