

CWAC BOYS' AND GIRLS' SOCCER STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES



1. **RULES:** FIFA and WIAA handbook will be followed.
 - A. All games – Varsity or Junior Varsity shall consist of two 40-minute halves with a 10-minute half time as recommended in the National Federation Rules.
 - B. Coaches’ Box – Coaches must remain on the sidelines of the field as recommended in the NFHS Rules. The coach may only come onto the field to attend to an injured player or during an unsportsmanlike incident with approval of the referee.
 - C. Timing and Scoring –The referee is responsible for keeping the time of the game. If the field site has a clock, it shall be run to 2:00 then official time will be utilized which includes stoppage time kept on the field. The referee will indicate to both coaches as to how much time remains. The home team will supply a ball shagger at each goal.
 - D. Substitutions – FIFA rules pertaining to substitution will apply.

2. **FIELDS:** All field dimensions will be reported to the league prior to the beginning of the season.

3. **OFFICIALS:** Three registered officials should be used for each match whenever possible.

4. **STARTING TIME:** Weekday games will start at 4:00 p.m. and Saturday games will start at 10:00 a.m. The junior varsity game will be played first followed by the varsity, unless mutually agreed upon. During weekday games where no lights are used the varsity shall play first at 4:00 p.m. Varsity only games will start at 5 pm.

5. **CONTEST FORMAT:** The game will consist of two 40-minute halves.
 - A. Ties – Regular season league games and Post Season/ District games that are tied at the end of 80 minutes of play will be followed by two (2) five minute **sudden death** overtime periods. A coin shall be flipped prior to the first overtime period. If the game remains tied at the end of the second overtime period, a shootout will be held which follows **FIFA guidelines**.
 - B. Non-League games will end in a tie only if both coaches agree to it prior to the start of the game. This decision must be made during the pre-game meeting in the presence of the head official.
 - C. Sub-varsity Ties – Sub-varsity games which are tied at the end of the 80 minutes of play will **remain as a tie**.

6. **FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS:** League standings will be determined by head to head outcome.

7. **REPORTING GAME RESULTS:** Home team will report results to the major papers with match scores

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8. **FILMING/TAPING:** Follow WIAA and FIFA Rules.

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9. **TEAM ROSTERS:** Both teams must provide 3 team rosters that include players full name, number, position, and year in school; to be exchanged with the opposing team before the game. Roster limit is 22 players for regular and post-season. Rosters may be altered between each round of play.
10. **ALL LEAGUE TEAM SELECTION:** Following each sport season, the Soccer chairman will conduct balloting for the All League Team for the CWAC. The chairman will notify each member school of the date, time and location of the all league selection meeting. It is the responsibility of each coach to attend the meeting. The coach of the year will also be determined at this time.
- The following guidelines will be used:
- Coaches will nominate their own players or use their nominations to recognize other teams' athletes.
 - Schools are ranked by the final league standings:

1 st place	9 nominations
2 nd place	8 nominations
3 rd place	7 nominations
4 th place	6 nominations
5 th – 6 th	5 nominations
7 th – 8 th	3 nominations
9 th – 10 th	2 nominations
 - Coaches nominate players and identify position and grade.
 - The nominations must be to the league soccer chairman 3 days prior to the all-league selection meeting. The list will be compiled and discussed at the meeting.
 - At the all-league meeting, discussion and voting will take place. Coaches will vote for opponents only.
 - A first team, second team, and honorable mention team (13 per team) will be selected. Each all-league team may consist of 1 goalkeeper, 4 forwards, 4 mid-fielders, and 4 defenders. Coaches will select a "Offensive MVP", "Defensive MVP", "Coach of the Year" and "Team Sportsmanship Award".
11. **DISTRICT TOURNAMENT:** The district tournament will be a 6-team modified double elimination tournament.
12. **TIE-BREAKING CRITERIA:** The following is the tie-breaking criteria for the district tournament:
- A. Final League Standings
 - B. League Head-to-Head
 - C. ***League Tie-Breaking Format***
 - D. Play-off – Only if a tie for entrance to district tournament (See Tie-Breaking Format located in general sop's).
 - a. A play-off between two teams would be a complete game.
 - b. A play-off between three or more teams would be as follows:
 - i. 20 minute halves
 - ii. 5 minute half-time
 - iii. If tied at end of 40 minutes a shootout would occur
 - iv. 10 minute break between games