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**To:** AD's, Administrators, and Volleyball Coaches of Participating Schools

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## **2023 State Volleyball Tournament Information**

## Format:

The State Volleyball Tournament will be held on November  $16^{th} - 18^{th}$  at the FARGODOME. The Class A matches will be played on the West Court with the Class B matches being played on the East Court. Both Championship matches will be played on the East Court.

## **FARGODOME**

Enclosed you will find two diagrams of the FARGODOME area, one with the interior and one showing the parking lots. We are requesting that you enter the dome area from the University Ave. entrance on the east side of the dome. You may drive your bus to the east lobby area and unload. Teams will enter the dome through the main east lobby and proceed to the lower level by using the escalator. Your nametag will serve as a ticket or pass to enter the dome. After you have unloaded, please have your bus parked in lot AA. Your tournament badge will also serve as your parking pass.

- Locker rooms: All Locker rooms are on the lower level of the dome, with the west side used for the Class A teams and the east side for the Class B teams. Signs will be posted directing you to these areas and also designating which locker room you will use. During the games when your team occupies a locker room the area will be locked and secure.
- **Towels:** No towels will be provided to participating teams.
- Trainers: Sanford Orthopedics Sports Medicine will provide an athletic trainer for all sessions. The trainer will have an area located in the northwest corner of the main arena. Water coolers and ice will be courtside for your use. Please bring your supply of tape.
- Hospitality Area: There will be a hospitality area for all school personnel, coaches, and administrators on the
  west lower level of the Fargodome. You may access this area from the main corridor by using the stairs at the
  west end of the Fargodome or the elevator off of the main lobby.
- **Press Area:** The press will have one room # 194, across the hall from the west locker rooms. They will use the hallway and their working room to conduct interviews with players and coaches. Please assist them in their job.
- Coaches Meeting: The annual Volleyball Coaches meetings will be held at 9:30 am on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Fargodome in the meeting rooms on the lower east side of the Fargodome. You can access the rooms from the escalator in the main lobby.
- **FCA Breakfast:** The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is planning a 9:00 AM breakfast on Friday morning at the Fargodome in Rooms 202-204.
- Passes and Name tags: Twenty-seven passes (name badges) will be issued to competing schools. All players, student managers, coaches, and school officials must present their name badge for admission to any and all games. A name tag form has been emailed to you to complete and return. Additional passes will be charged to each school.
- School Song/Banners: We are requesting that each school send a digital copy of their school song. Each team will have one "30 X 60" space for a poster (banner) in the arena. There will be additional space in the concourse and along the playing floor for other banners. Banners and signs are to be hung using painters' tape or wrestling tape. When you arrive, please check with tournament management for your designated sign area.
- **Home Team:** The higher seeded team will be the home team. If like seeds are playing, the top team in the bracket will be the home team.

- **Team Hit Around:** A schedule for hit arounds on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> will be forthcoming from the NDHSAA Office.
- **Ticket Information:** We are asking each school to inform their fans about the ticket prices and the saving they will get by purchasing a tournament pass.
- **Prices:** Adult Tournament Pass \$40.00 Student Tournament Pass \$18.00 Adult daily ticket \$15.00 Student daily Ticket \$6.00
- Rooms: A block of rooms for your team has been set aside at an area hotel. You will be notified of your hotel assignment by Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Each school must contact their assigned hotel by Noon on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> to confirm your rooms and to provide the hotel with a rooming list. All hotel information may be viewed at the Metro Area Tournament Committee Website: www.metrotournament.com
- **School Responsibility:** Each school must be responsible for both players and students attending tournaments. Each school participating in the tournament should have a school administrator report to the tournament management in case of a problem with students at the tournament.
- **All tournament information**: Hotels, game schedules, school and team information as well as state tournament records can be found at **www.metrotournament.com**

If you have any questions concerning the tournament, please do not hesitate to call us at 446-1065 or email <a href="mailto:schultj4@fargo.k12.nd.us">schultj4@fargo.k12.nd.us</a> Good luck in the tournament and have a safe trip to Fargo. We are excited to be hosting the 2023 State Volleyball Tournament!