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ARE YOU READY FOR THE PLAYOFFS?? *The season is quickly winding down, but the competition is ramping up! The best is yet to come with playoffs and then championships in just a few days.*

Situations & Observations – These have come my way since our last bulletin:

***Signals –**

A touched ball hits a vertical backboard over a playable area: The whistle is blown as soon as the backboard is contacted. If the R1 determines the ball could have remained in play and there is someone there to play it, a “replay” is signaled. If the R1 determines the ball would have not been playable, then the signal is “out”.

Signaling numbers: The signaling of numbers in the rulebook and NFHS publications is in conjunction with net faults, not centerline faults. Should a coach ask for a number on a centerline violation, the R2 may provide it but we don't automatically display the number.

Ball passes completely under the net (other than a served ball): Point toward the centerline with the index finger.

***Correcting Errors –**

The R1 signals a point to the wrong team. The opposing coach requests and is granted a substitution by the R2. Realizing the mistake, the R1 reverses the point and awards the ball to the correct team. The scorebook is corrected, and the substitution (or a libero replacement) may be withdrawn without penalty if the team so chooses. Please refer to Casebook 9.9.1E Comment: The team should not be penalized for a correction made by a member of the officiating crew.

***Cheers & Jeers –**

Sportsmanship has been a point of emphasis this year. Please continue to work with home management should you become aware of unsporting conduct from the fans.

From the OSAA Handbook: Students may cheer during serves in volleyball so long as they are just “making noise” and not specifically addressing a contest official or an individual player from the opposing team. Some examples of unacceptable conduct include but are not limited to disrespecting players by name, number or position; negative cheers or chants; throwing objects on the playing surface; use of derogatory or racially explicit language; and discriminatory harassment or conduct.

Teamwork

Teamwork is essential to good officiating. It takes the entire crew (R1,R2, Line Judges, Scorer, Tracker, Timer) working together for the most successful match. Here's some thoughts:

- Each job is of equal importance and dependent on the other. Respect your crew.
- Always pre-match with your crew, even if you've worked together before and especially now for playoffs & championships
- R1 initiates the conversation with the R2 and the line judges
- R2 reviews duties with the table crew
- Be specific. Cover unusual situations.
- Keep your crew engaged. Lots of eye contact, perhaps a head nod. Let each official do their job.
- Cooperate with and be loyal to other members of the crew.
- Remember the match is about the players

Thank You!

Lastly, a huge thank you for all you do! It has been a difficult season with the shortage of officials and forever changing schedules. Embrace the last of the season knowing your commitment and dedication has allowed teams to keep playing. If you have a chance to attend (or are working) any of the championships, just enjoy the incredible competition and excitement the teams bring to the court. You are needed, valued, and respected.....and make sure to recruit a friend and come back next year 😊 *Gail*