2025-26 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES!

Admission will be per person with the exception of coaches, staff and players. Two coaches and score-keeper, plus team players are permitted on the gym floor only and allowed in for free.

Each team will play a minimum of three games for 1-day events and 4+ for 2-day. The format of the schedule will be determined by the amount of teams signed up in each division and by the tournament directors. Individual awards will be awarded to the 1st place teams in each division and medals for 2nd place team unless noted. Plus MVP awards.

Game time may be forfeit time. A five-minute pre-game warm-up and five-minute half-time format will be used. A team must start with at least four players and a coach, although site staff can start games with 3 players.
Time: Each half will be 20 minutes. A running clock will be used, with the exception of the clock stopping in the last 3 minutes of the second half. The clock will not stop if one team is ahead by 15 or more points. 3 timeouts per game will be allowed. First overtime will be 2 minutes with the final 30 seconds normal stoppage on whistles/out of bounds. The second overtime, if needed, will consist of a sudden death segment for 2 minutes – 1st to score. From there, a 3-man free throw shootout with the winning team making the most free throws. If still tied, the teams will alternate free throws until one team gains a made basket advantage. Every player must shoot before someone shoots for the second time. FREE THROWS: teams will enter new double-bonus at 8 fouls per half. No one-and-one per new high school rules.
Substitutions may be made at jump balls, free throws, time-outs, and other dead balls only. Referees will call subs in – they should report to the table. ROSTER: all players must play in at least ONE POOL game in order to play in the championship, unless director waives rule.

Defenses: Any Defense for boys & girls allowed unless NOTED in your division listing for MAN ONLY.If you don't see Man-only in the division heading, prepare for any Defense. 3rd boys and 4th girls is default to Man only in winter events.

Tie-breakers: Division tie-breakers will be overall record, head to head play, points allowed, points scored. IF still tied, a sudden death FT shoot-out will occur.

Rules: MHSAA rules will apply to games, with the exceptions noted above. Tournament directors will make the final decision on all disputes.

- Locker rooms will not always be available, so players should come dressed and ready to play.
- By accepting admission into this tournament, each of the coaches, team members, and spectators accept responsibility for all injuries and indemnify the FAAST Sports and the School District/Facility, and its tournament workers from all claims. All decisions by the tournament director are final. No refunds. A
- Concessions will be available at most locations. No food allowed in the gymnasiums, please eat in the designated areas.
- Coaches, teams, and spectators – this tournament is designed to give our young athletes a chance to participate in the wonderful game of basketball and to enjoy the competition of all teams. Please respect each other, the officials, and tournament workers. See registration page language.
- Unless specifically notified prior to events, FAAST will be allowed to promote and publish all directory information (including video/pictures/names) for event promotions and celebrations.
- Coaches will be responsible for the conduct for their teams and spectators. Tournament officials reserve the right to remove any patron, participant, or team for disorderly and un-sportsman-like conduct. Please respect our school and facilities. Thank you and we hope you enjoy the weekend.