



2016 TOURNAMENT RULES

Rising Stars Hardwood Showcase uses National High School Federation rules unless otherwise noted.

Game Length

Divisions 9U 10U 11U 12U 13U 14UB & 14G

- Three minute warm up
- (2) Fifteen minute halves running clock, stop last 2 mins of half
- Three minute halftime

Overtime Rules - All Divisions

- Two minute running clock
- Clock stops only on shooting fouls and timeouts
- One (1) timeout in overtime, timeouts do not carry over into overtime

General Rules All Divisions

- Teams must provide their own warm up balls
- Home team wears light colored uniforms (top of bracket)
- Visitor team wears dark colored uniforms
- Home team must keep the book
- Home team sits to the left of scorers table
- Visitor teams sits to the right of scorers table
- Each team will warm up on the end opposite its bench
- Thirty (30) point second-half mercy rule
- Two man referee crews
- Players foul out of the game on their fifth (5) foul
- No 1 and 1 foul shots, two (2) foul shots on the tenth (10) foul of each half
- Four (4) timeouts per game

TIEBREAKER RULE - All Divisions

- 1) If two teams are tied, the tiebreaker is decided by head-to-head competition.



2) If more than two teams are tied, the tiebreaker is decided by the point differentials of only the teams involved (15 point cap per game). The highest number receives the higher seed and the second highest will receive the next lower seed, etc.

3) If more than two are tied after using the above tiebreaker formula, the point differential of the teams not involved in the tie are added and recalculated (15 point cap per game).

Age Eligibility

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- **Player/Team Disqualification** - All Non-athletes/coaches are responsible to see that their team meets all eligibility requirements. If a player is found to be ineligible prior to the start of competition, the player will be expelled from the competition and the team will continue. If a player is found to be ineligible after the competition has started, the player will be expelled from the competition and the team will forfeit all games in which the ineligible player was listed on the official score sheet. The team may continue to participate, if applicable, without the expelled player.

- **Age Determining Date/Grade Exception Rule** - September 1, 2016 shall be the determining date for the age of the competitor for all teams participating in "Rising Stars Hardwood Showcase" tournament. Eligibility to participate is based first on the age determining date. The grade of the athlete is not a consideration if the athlete meets the age determining date. An athlete who does not meet the age determining date may qualify under the grade exception rule. In the 9U/3rd Grade through the 14U/8th Grade division, each team is allowed a maximum of four grade exception athletes.

- **Grade Confirmation** - Players participating under the grade eligibility exception must present a birth certificate and confirmation of grade level from the School Administrator. NOTE: Grade level is determined by player's grade on March 1, 2016. All coaches are responsible for having birth certificates and proper confirmation of grade level for all players at the time of registration and throughout the duration of the tournament. Any special considerations must be presented prior to the start of competition and the rules committee will review any decisions.