

# VOLLEYBALL REGIONAL AND SECTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ANNOUNCE BEFORE THE START OF THE MATCH

Welcome to tonight's IESA Volleyball match. Interscholastic athletics are an extension of the classroom. Lessons are best learned when proper respect is afforded to all. It is our expectation that all fans conduct themselves with a level of sportsmanship and respect that expresses positive support for your team. Fans should take personal responsibility to maintain "good sportsmanship." Refrain from booing, swearing or negative comments directed at either team or the officials. Be smart and sport a winning attitude! A reminder to all fans: all noise-making devices, balloons and light sticks must be excluded from all IESA State Tournament Series. Thank you for your cooperation!

The interscholastic athletics and activities experience is something we cannot take for granted. Since 1929, the IESA has provided a great vehicle for recognition of its students, schools and their communities through competition in IESA state series in sports and non-athletic activities. Participation in sports and activities is a lot more than just winning and losing - students who participate in programs offered by their schools are taught valuable life lessons that will make them a success in whatever endeavors they choose. We must teach our students, coaches, families and their supporters that it is very important to participate. Everyone must take advantage of the learning opportunities that are uniquely made available to them through IESA programs.

Mikasa Sports is making a major commitment to the schools of the IESA and the young people who represent them. IESA is proud to announce that the "Official Ball" used in the Girls Volleyball State Series has been manufactured by Mikasa Sports.

#### ANNOUNCE DURING THE FIRST TIMEOUT OF THE FIRST SET

Check out WWW (dot) IESA (dot) org any time to find what's happening with junior high activities throughout Illinois. Be sure to click on the FanZone icon on the left side of the home page to learn everything you need to know about attending any IESA State Finals. You'll be amazed at how much information you can find at your fingertips at www.iesa.org. In fact, click on Girls Volleyball and follow this year's State Series as it unfolds.

#### ANNOUNCE BEFORE THE START OF THE SECOND SET

At least one IESA member school in each of the 15 Board of Directors geographic divisions will be voted by its peers to receive the division sportsmanship award. IESA will present each winning school with a banner recognizing this accomplishment. To be eligible, the school must be involved in at least 5 IESA activities and the school must have no reports of unsportsmanlike conduct or ejection of players, coaches or fans during the school year. Schools will vote online to determine this year's division sportsmanship award winners.

#### ANNOUNCE DURING THE FIRST TIMEOUT OF THE SECOND SET

We've got the kids- more than 100,000- and we've got the games- in 10 different sport state series. All we need is you! The schools of the IESA are looking for someone like you to become licensed as an athletic official . . . a referee or a starter. We need sports-minded women and men to get into the action. It's easy to become licensed as an athletic official. Contact your local junior high or high school athletic director, call the IHSA Officials Department at (309) 663-6377, or visit the IESA web site at <a href="https://www.iesa.org">www.iesa.org</a> for details.

#### ANNOUNCE DURING A TIMOEUT IN THE FINAL SET

We ask all fans here in the gymnasium to pitch in and pick up your litter on your way out of the stands. Please help us to keep the facility as neat as it was when we arrived here. Thank you.

### ANNOUNCE AT THE END OF THE MATCH

Fans, the winner of this match advances to the next round. Check out the brackets at <a href="www.iesa.org">www.iesa.org</a> to find out information on the next match for the winning team in the IESA Volleyball State Series.