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Gymnastics

Section Tournament Information

This document provides guidance and information for Winter 2021 section tournaments unique to this year.

Dates	Last date to determine section champions – Saturday, March 20, 2021.
Location/Facility	Sections have local control to select host site(s). One or more sites may be used. • If using multiple sites, each running one or more sessions, the same judges must be used at each site.
Tournament Format	 Meets must be run in sessions to minimize the number of teams competing at one time in the same venue. Teams and spectators from one session must completely leave the facility before new teams and spectators may enter. Sites must have no more than four teams on site at any time. Sections may determine which teams compete in each session. Sections may use "Capital Cup," traditional format or other warm-up style. Multi-session meets will take longer. Consider alternate dates and times, including the prior weekend. More specific details will be shared in the Section Managers Guide.
Changes/ Adjustments in MSHSL Approved Season Sport Guidance	Increase to four teams on site at any time.

State Tournament	Same as previous years. See Gymnastics Rules and Policies.
Advancement	Team: Highest-scoring team in each section advances
	Individual: Three highest-scoring individuals in all around and
	next three highest finishers on each event advance
Site Management	See MSHSL Event and Facility Management Guidance and Information
(Spectators, Concessions,	
etc.)	
Tournament Personnel	Team members, meet officials and site staff (including ticket
	takers/sellers, administrative supervision from schools, section-hired
	certified athletic trainer, announcer, etc.) do NOT count toward the

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	maximum number of occupants. These individuals are considered "essential" to the competition. Winter 2021 Post Season Squad Size and Personnel Information
Awards/Certificates	Same as previous years. Trophies: 1st - 2nd place teams Medals: 1st – 2nd place team members, 1 st -6 th individuals on
Officials	 Sections should work with individual officials, crews or assigners to confirm availability prior to committing to dates. Sections may need to spread out the dates/times of meets more than usual to have enough officials to cover all the meets. Two officials per competitive event (two each on vault, bars, beam, floor) and meet referee. If running multiple sessions at one venue, host sites need to communicate with judges ahead of time regarding expectations during the transition period. If judges are to remain on site during the transition between sessions, they must be provided an area to safely distance.
Streaming	Streaming is allowed.
Media	See MSHSL Event and Facility Management Guidance and Information.
Results	Method for sharing results will be shared separately.
Ticketing/Passes	Ticketing and passes must comply with current State Requirements. Information is available in MSHSL Event and Facility Management Guidance and Information
	Section committees can determine how to best divide up tickets for its section events, allowing for fans from all teams the opportunity to attend (for example, the host team cannot use the maximum number of tickets, allowing none for the visiting teams). Most ADs have been doing this all season so will have ideas of how this is being handled best locally. Some examples used during the regular season include: • Allowing a certain number of tickets per athlete on each team and additional tickets for student fans and general public • Schools may determine how to best select which student fans have an opportunity to purchase tickets: first-come, first-served; priority to seniors; as a reward for a contest,
	 attendance, etc. Tickets can be presold at schools, or schools can submit lists of people who can purchase tickets on site (again, rely on ADs for

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best practice locally). If lists of people are being provided to ticket sellers, it is encouraged that a staff member from both schools be on-hand to assist ticket sellers with any conflicts regarding names or identities.
Region committees determine ticket prices.

All aspects of athletics including meetings, practices, competitions, transportation and facility usage must align with the requirements of the Minnesota Department of Education plan for return to learning, must follow the requirements from the Minnesota Department of Health's Guidance on Youth Sports, and must include the required actions identified in the Governor's Executive Orders.

Sportsmanship should have a constant presence in all school-based athletics.

- Teams are encouraged to find appropriate methods of demonstrating good sportsmanship and respect towards others within the physical distance guidance.
- Additional care should be taken when addressing contest officials with questions or seeking
 interpretations. At no time, other than in the natural course of competition, should a coach or
 player violate the required physical distance with an official. Any coach or player verbally
 interacts with an official must do so with a mask on and at a safe distance.