

## Tournament Rules 2008 Houston Kingwood Classic

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1. Normal high school rules with stop clock on all dead balls.
2. There will be two 16-minute halves for all divisions.
3. 3 timeouts total per game—2 full timeouts and 1 thirty-second timeout.
4. One minute halftime.
5. Guaranteed 3-minute warm-up between games.
6. Overtime is 2 minutes—1 30-second timeout only in first overtime with no carryovers. Each extra overtime is 1 minute with no timeout.
7. A player fouls out on his 5th personal foul.
8. A team reaches 1-and-1 bonus on the 10th team foul of each half. There is no 2-shot bonus.
9. Team listed on left and top of bracket is home and wears light color. Bring both colors to game in case a team does not have extra uniforms.
10. Two technicals result in automatic ejection from the game.
11. There is no dunking allowed during pre-game or halftime warm-ups.
12. All teams move from pool play to the championship bracket.
13. Seeding from each pool will be determined by win-loss record in pool play. In case of ties, head-to-head competition determines seed. If 3 teams are tied, a point system comes into effect to determine the 1, 2, and 3 seeds of the pool. There is a maximum of +15 for a win in pool and -15 for a loss in pool. All games in pool are included in figuring point system. In case the 3 teams are still tied, the least total points allowed in pool play will determine the higher seed. In case there is still a tie, a coin toss will determine seeding. In case of disputes, the Tournament Director's decision is final.
14. **At the end of pool play, check brackets at your gym or at Headquarters for seeding as you might play within a few hours. In case of changes, the brackets at Legends Sports Complex are final and official. Please check with the gym you are playing in to verify any bracket times and locations. You are responsible for knowing where and when your team plays. You can always ask the gym supervisor to check for you at the gym where you finish pool play. If you do not arrive at your scheduled bracket game on time, it will be a forfeit.**
15. A player can only play on one team during the entire event. A player cannot play in two different age groups or the same age group during the tournament. If a team loses, that player cannot switch to another team still in competition. All players participating in bracket play must have participated in at least one of the team's pool games.
16. **Age/Grade Qualifications** *Boys teams:* Players must meet either the age or grade qualification for the division. For example, in the 14U/8th grade division, players must be 14 years or younger as of Sept. 1, 2008 or be in the 8th grade to participate. There is no limit to the number of players meeting either qualification. However, players meeting the grade qualification cannot be more than 1 year over age for the division up until the 17U division. *Girls & Boys Unsigned Seniors:* Unsigned seniors can play as long as they have not committed in writing to play for a college at any level. Unsigned prep school players are also eligible to play in our tournaments. **If a player has signed a letter of intent and you think they won't qualify because of grades, they still cannot play.** The tournament management has the right to exclude any senior from playing. If a team is found to have an illegal player (over age), they will receive losses for all games played and possibly be disqualified from the tournament. The player in question will not be allowed to play. Do not embarrass yourself or your team by bringing illegal players. **For all teams, no matter the division, bring proof of age/grade of all your players with you at the tournament. This is important.**
17. 9U, 10U, 11U & 12U boys teams and varsity girls teams will use 28.5" ball. All others use regular size ball.
18. During the Championship Round only (not during pool play), if a team is ahead by 20 or more points with one minute to go, the clock will not stop during that last minute, even on free throws or even if the point difference goes under 20 points in that last minute.
19. The Tournament Director will have the final say regarding any disputes. This tournament is for the kids—let's always keep that in mind.
20. We will present individual trophies to all team members for 1st & 2nd place in each division's championship.