



# 2020-21 MHSAA Bowling

Division 3    Region 15

## Regional Information Packet

To: Participating School Athletic Directors and Bowling Coaches

From: Vance Stratton – Tournament Manager

Re: Division 3, Regional 15 Bowling Tournament – March 19 & 20, 2021

Welcome to the 2021 MHSAA Regional Bowling Tournament hosted by Brandywine High School and Joey Armadillo's in Niles. Please review the following information and procedures for the Regional Tournament.

**Competing Schools** – Brooklyn Columbia Central, Coloma, Comstock, Constantine, Grass Lake, Hillsdale, Hopkins, Jonesville, Lansing Catholic, Leslie, Michigan Center, Napoleon, Niles-Brandywine, Olivet, Parchment, Quincy, South Haven.

**Contact Information** – Vance Stratton, Athletic Director, Tournament Manager, redman44\_98@yahoo.com, 269-683-4800 ext. 3207 (office), 269-228-0014 (cell).

**Entry Procedures/Limits** – Deadline for entries and master eligibilities are past due with the late assignment of the regional. Boys and girls team/singles roster lists have a maximum of 6 contestants.

**Fees** – For this year with the change of the format schools will have an entry fee of \$125.00 for the boys entry and \$125.00 for the girls entry. Payment is due before bowling on Friday. Checks need to be made out to **Joey Armadillos** and should be paid at check-in. Please do not send fees in advance. Have your coach bring them to Joey Armadillos at the check-in time.

**Time Schedule for Friday 3-19-21(boys) & Saturday 3-20-21(girls)**

9:00 a.m.    Doors open for teams to enter (restaurant doors on the front side of the building)

10:00 a.m.    Doors open for spectators (side entrance of the building)

10:00 a.m.    Check in (only coach is needed for the check-in and can be done when doors are open for teams to enter at 9:00 a.m. as well). Enter building through the doors at the front, not the side. Restaurant entrance.

10:30 a.m.    Coaches meeting or earlier if all coaches are present.

10:40 a.m. Announcements and National Anthem

10:45 a.m. Warm-ups will be 15 minutes

11:00 a.m. Begin Scoring

**Format –**

- Each of the five bowlers roll four games. These games count toward Team totals AND for Singles, so you are bowling for both competitions at the same time. There are NO Bakers , and only FIVE bowlers will be attempting to qualify for the Singles Finals.
- The substitute (6<sup>th</sup> bowler) can be used as normal, but if a substitute is used both the sub and the initial bowler are ineligible to qualify for the Singles Finals.
- In this four-game format, each of the five athletes would bowl four games for a total of 20 games for the Team total.
- -Bowlers will bowl together as a team during the Regional event, instead of being spread out across the lane block. **Bowlers from the same team will be bowling together on the same pair during the Regional.**

**Oil Pattern –** The MHSAA Regional lane condition is the Kegel “Allen Pattern”.

**Coaching -** A maximum of two coaches per gender will be allowed admission. There can only be **two** coaches allowed in the bowling area during competition. Coaches are expected to follow the dress code and exemplify proper sportsmanship. Coaches are not allowed on the approaches, as per MHSAA rules, coaching should take place between frames only.

**Paddock Area –** Boys and girls will use the restaurant area at the front of the building (entrance doors facing South 11<sup>th</sup> Street). Specific areas will be marked by school name for placing items when arriving. This is also the check-in area when arriving. This entry is for **TEAMS ONLY**.

**Line-up Changes –** Line-up changes will be taken care of at check-in. Please make sure your replacement is on the Master Eligibility List that you sent in with your roster of bowlers. Substitutes must be on the Master Eligibility List in order to participate.

**Admission/Spectators –** There will be a \$10.00 admission charge for all spectators. Reminder there is only ONE spectator per bowler allowed to attend and tickets must be purchased online ahead of time at GoFan. Spectators must enter the facility at the north side entrance, not the front of the building. School administrators and coaches’ spouses can sign in and will be admitted free of charge. They should enter at the north entrance as well.

There is no smoking at Joey Armadillos and no alcohol sales to anyone for the duration of the tournament. Noisemakers (whistles, airhorns, etc.) and cameras that flash are not allowed. Positive and courteous cheering is encouraged.

**PLEASE COMMUNICATE TO SPECTATORS THAT THEY MAY NOT BRING FOOD OR BEVERAGES IN TO THE BOWLING CENTER. NO PERSONAL FOLDING CHAIRS ARE TO BE BROUGHT IN.**

**Sportsmanship** – All MHSAA regulations regarding sportsmanship and disqualifications will be followed as stated in MHSAA regulation V, Section 3-D. This is a high school event, and as such there will be no tolerance for taunting, swearing, or intimidating conduct. Kicking/hitting the ball returns or throwing equipment may result in disqualification from the tournament.

**Dress Code** – The MHSAA dress code for tournament competition will be followed and enforced. Boys – Slacks and a collared shirt or mock turtleneck are required. Girls – Slack, shorts, or skirt with collared shirt or mock turtleneck are required. Skirts must reach the top of the knee and shorts shall be an appropriate length. As specified in the MHSAA manual: t-shirts, jeans, sweatpants, cutoffs, and warm-ups are not allowed. Hats or caps are not allowed. Religious dress is allowed with prior approval. No cell phones, IPODS, etc. in the bowling area.

**Equipment** – Because of this year’s Regional format, space between pairs of lanes in most centers will be open. With the additional space, the restriction of bowling ball limits is being lifted and **increased to 4 balls per participant in the bowling center.** There is still a strong recommendation that paddocks are not used or if they are, that only one person be allowed into the paddock at a time.

**Practice at Joey Armadillos** – Please be advised that if you choose to have your team practice at Joey Armadillos prior to the Regional, do not expect lane access on Thursday 3-18-21 due to league play. Your best bet is to call the center for days and times they would be available for you to practice. Call 269-687-5555 for information. Make sure you call ahead of time.

**GoFan Ticketing Information -**

**TICKETS:** All tickets are being sold through GoFan. Regional ticket-buying links and codes will be emailed to participating schools on March 12. Tickets for the Finals will be emailed on March 22. The same ticket-buying link will be used for both sessions of a split session.

- **CODES:** Each school will receive from GoFan 7 one-ticket access codes. These codes allow parents to have first access to tickets, but it also allows the host to limit ticket sales if necessary. Your host will communicate to you how many codes each school can distribute (if less than 7).
- **PUBLIC SALE:** There is no public sale of tickets. The only way to buy a ticket is through an access code.

**Miscellaneous Information –**

- USBC equipment rules and MHSAA regulations will govern the competition. All disputes will be handled on-site by the tournament manager.
- There will be 15 minutes of practice before each day’s event. Half the time will be on one lane, and then teams will switch sides for the remaining practice time.
- There can be no practice at Joey Armadillos other than the allotted 15 minutes prior to the event. If you practice on days prior to the event, please be advised that MHSAA

recommends supervision from a school representative and practices must be during normal open bowling times at normal rates.

- Lane assignments will be drawn randomly when all entries are received and processed. You will be notified of your starting lanes at check-in.
- All additional information is available online at the MHSAA website - rosters, general procedures, coaches manual, etc.
- Joey Armadillos is located at 2732 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street in Niles, MI. Phone 269-687-5555. Parking is available on-site. Full menu concessions will be available during the tournament.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions. On behalf of Brandywine High School and Joey Armadillos, thank you for participating and we look forward to having you in Niles.

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**Area Motels in Niles –**

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 1000 Moore Drive, Niles. 269-684-0300

Hampton Inn Niles, 1446 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Niles. 269-684-1446

Quality Inn & Suites, 1265 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Niles. 269-684-3900