



MHSAA 2020 Boys & Girls Bowling Regional Tournament Division 3, Region 13, hosted by Catholic Central High School

To: Athletic Directors and Bowling Coaches

From: Trevor Hinshaw, Director of Athletics – Catholic Central High School

Tournament Date: February 28th and February 29th, 2020

On behalf of the MHSAA, Catholic Central High School and Park Center Lanes, we look forward to hosting the 2020 MHSAA Regional Bowling Tournament, Region 13. Please review the following information and contact us with any questions.

PARTICIPATING TEAMS:

Belding, Big Rapids, Catholic Central, Central Montcalm, Chippewa Hills, Comstock Park, Fremont, Godwin Heights, Lee, Ludington, Mason County Central, Montague, Muskegon Oakridge, Muskegon Orchard View, Tri-County, Wellspring Prep, West Catholic, Whitehall.

LOCATION:

Park Center Lanes
2222 28th Street SW
Wyoming, MI 49519
(616) 532-2313

ENTRY PROCEDURES:

Please send MHSAA Roster Form and Master Eligibility Lists to both Trevor Hinshaw and Ryan Lomonaco: trevorhinshaw@grcatholiccentral.org, and ryan@parkcenterlanes.com.

Master Eligibility Lists and Rosters are due **no later than Friday, February 7th**. Changes to both may be made after that date, but it is important that we receive initial rosters and eligibility lists by February 7.

Rosters are limited to 7 bowlers for team event, and 6 bowlers for singles.

FEES:

The cost of bowling is \$2.50 per game. Total fees for boys' and girls' teams will be \$285.00.

Checks may be payable to **Catholic Central High School**, and may be submitted to Trevor Hinshaw at Catholic Central, or may be delivered in-person on Friday morning. **Payment for lane fees must be made prior to the beginning of competition.**

FORMAT:

The team tournament consists of six baker games and three regular games, with the top three teams advancing to the State Finals at Jax 60 in Jackson. The singles tournament consists of six games, with the top ten bowlers advancing to the State Finals.

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TIE-BREAKERS:

In team event, any ties for first place or third place will be broken. The tie-breaker is a two-game Baker competition – after which, if a tie still exists, the tie-breaker is a five-frame Baker competition. In singles event, ties for first and tenth place will be broken. The singles tie-breaker is a one game roll-off, and if a tie still exists, they will bowl two-frame roll-offs until the tie is broken.

SCHEDULE:

Boys will bowl first in team event on Friday; Girls will bowl first in singles event on Saturday.

Boys' Team Event: Friday, February 28, 2020

Check-In at 7:15 a.m. Coaches' Meeting at 7:45 a.m. Practice Begins at 8:00 a.m.

Girls' Team Event: Friday, February 28, 2020

Check-In at 12:45 p.m. Coaches' Meeting at 1:15 p.m. Practice Begins at 1:30 p.m.

Girls' Singles Event: Saturday, February 29, 2020

Check-In at 7:00 a.m. Coaches' Meeting at 7:30 a.m. Practice Begins at 7:45 a.m.

Boys' Singles Event: Saturday, February 29, 2020

Check-In at 1:00 p.m. Coaches' Meeting at 1:30 p.m. Practice Begins at 1:45 p.m.

LANE CONDITION:

All MHSAA post-season tournaments will be using the "Allen" oil pattern. Details of this pattern can be found on the MHSAA website.

WEATHER POLICY:

In the event of inclement weather, the tournament is subject to the MHSAA 60% policy: The event will go on as scheduled if at least 60% of the schools are present. It is important to remain in contact with tournament officials if your team is running late, or will not be coming to the tournament.

If your team has any issues with regard to weather or travel, contact Ryan Lomonaco at **616-813-2116**. You can call or text 24/7 on the weekend of the tournament.

EQUIPMENT:

Each bowler in the line-up may have one ball on the ball return, with a total of two (2) balls maximum in the bowlers' area. All extra balls, bowling bags, and equipment for potential subs, must be stored in the paddock area.

Teams will be provided a paddock area for bowlers to store bowling balls and other equipment when not in use. Access to the paddock area will be limited to bowlers and coaches only. However, neither the MHSAA, Park Center Lanes nor Catholic Central High School is responsible for items lost, stolen or left in the paddock area, and bowlers are **strongly encouraged** not to keep items such as phones, tablets, electronics, or other valuables in the paddock.

COACHING:

Each school team will be allowed admission for a maximum of two coaches for each gender. Identification badges will be provided at Check-In and must be worn. **Coaches are not permitted on the approach area, and coaching is permitted only between frames, not between first and second ball.**

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ADMISSION:

Admission will be \$6 each day. Pre-school age admitted free. **No passes of any kind will be accepted.** As many seats as are practical will be provided for spectators. Spectators can bring their own chairs, but cannot bring ladders, camping chairs, chairs with arms, or other devices that may pose a safety issue.

CONCESSIONS:

Park Center Lanes offers a wide selection of food and beverages throughout the day.

OUTSIDE FOOD:

Absolutely NO outside food or beverages (Subway, Wendy's, etc.) or coolers are allowed in the bowling center. Water will be provided for athletes and spectators.

PARKING:

Free parking is available for cars at Park Center Lanes, and in an auxiliary lot; we will provide a shuttle for those parking in the auxiliary lot. Buses may park next to the football field at Wyoming Junior High School, which is located less than a half-mile away from Park Center, at 2125 Wrenwood St SW.

DRESS CODE:

Boys – Slacks are required. Jeans, cutoffs, shorts, sweatpants or warm-up pants will not be allowed. A collared shirt will be required. T-shirts will not be allowed. Mock-turtleneck shirts are allowed.

Girls – Slacks, shorts or skirts will be allowed. Skirts, skorts and shorts must be at least fingertip length when extending the arm straight down to the side while standing straight up. Jeans, cutoffs, sweatpants, warm-up pants, or yoga/spandex pants will not be allowed. A collared shirt or mock turtleneck shirt will be required. T-shirts will not be allowed. Bowlers are not required to wear the same style of shirts or slacks, but similar uniforms are recommended. Jewelry is allowed. Hats, caps or any other type of headgear is prohibited. Religious dress is allowed with prior approval from the MHSAA. Prior to competition, warm-ups (jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies) must be removed and may not be used in competition.

If a violation of the MHSAA Dress code/Uniform rule occurs, a warning will be given to the player and coach of the violating team. If at that time the dress code is not followed, a loss of bowling privileges and disqualification from the MHSAA Regionals or Finals will result.

SPORTSMANSHIP:

Good sportsmanship for players and coaches is a must. Taunting, profanity, and intimidating conduct are not allowed. All MHSAA regulations regarding sportsmanship and disqualifying penalties as stated in Regulation IV, Section 3 will be followed. Players will not be allowed to approach to congratulate or celebrate the accomplishments of a fellow team member during bowling. Bowlers will not be allowed to enter an adjacent approach to celebrate or “run out” their delivery. Bowlers shall observe traditional bowling courtesy for bowler on adjacent lanes.

Cheers should be positive, and should not be directed at another team, or intended to distract or disturb fellow bowlers.

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RULES OF COMPETITION:

Although the tournament is not sanctioned, it shall be subject to all MHSAA and USBC playing rules and specifications. In particular, note that bowlers may not alter the surface of the ball by using any abrasive or cleaner. Bowlers are allowed to clean their ball with a **dry towel**.

Bowlers may have up to two bowling balls in the bowlers' area, and one in a single carry bag nearby; any additional bowling balls must be kept in the paddock area. Once competition begins, bowlers may not bring in any balls that were not already in the building - all bowling balls must be in the bowlers' area or paddock once they begin competition.

Be aware of rules on balance holes. Also, a reminder that electronic devices are not allowed in the bowlers' area. Bowlers are not permitted to use listening devices such as iPods during competition. Coaches are permitted to use electronic devices outside the bowlers' area (for example, to utilize a scoring app on an iPad), but may not do in the bowlers' area, and may not do so for the purposes of watching or recording video.

PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE:

On both days of competition, bowlers will be given 15 minutes of practice time. However, if bowlers would like to practice on the tournament condition beforehand, Park Center has arranged practice times prior to the day of competition. Teams may reserve lanes at one or more of the following times:

Sunday, February 16, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Monday, February 17, 12:30-2:30 p.m. or 3:30-5:30 p.m. (*President's Day – many schools have off days*)

Wednesday, February 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Friday, February 21, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 23, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, February 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Practice lanes will **not** be available on the Thursday (2/27) or Friday (2/28) prior to competition.

The "Allen" pattern will be put down prior to practice. Coaches **must** reserve lanes in advance. The cost of practice is \$40 per pair of lanes, which includes unlimited bowling on two lanes for the two-hour block.

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