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## BOYS BASKETBALL
### PLAYOFF DATES / SITES FOR 2020

Listed below are the approved post-season playoff dates and sites for the boys basketball season in the CIF-SS:

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## GIRLS BASKETBALL
### PLAYOFF DATES / SITES FOR 2020

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GAME TIME

All games in the playoff rounds will be played at 7:00 p.m. Schools must mutually agree and permission must be obtained from the commissioners office for any change in site, time or day of contest. Once communicated to the CIFSS office, this information will be noted on the bracket found @ www.cifss.org.

SPECIAL NOTES:
1. In all divisions, the championship games shall be played on alternate court sites. For any playoff contest, the Commissioner may direct that the contest be played on an alternate court if the host facility does not meet CIF-SS playoff standards or will not accommodate the anticipated crowd.

2. If teams from the same geographical area advance to the finals, the principals (with CIF-SS office approval) may move the game to their respective area. Additionally, the CIF-SS reserves the right to shift championship games depending on travel restrictions and school location.

Doubleheaders will only be permitted if both boys and girls teams are from the same school. Doubleheaders must be managed as two separate events with separate and distinct tickets for each game.

Scores must be posted in your schedules and scores on www.CIFSSHOME.ORG immediately following the completion of the contest.

CIF STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS --

The 2019-2020 CIF Regional and State basketball playoffs in March will be conducted in six divisions for both boys and girls.

All divisions, both boys and girls contests, will be conducted on March 3, 4, 5, 7 and 10, 2020 to determine the 2020 State Southern Regional Champion.

The State Finals will be played on Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14, 2020 at the Golden 1 Center in Sacramento.

SPECIAL NOTE: For information regarding advancement to the State playoffs, see page 29 of this bulletin.

Schools advancing to the State Tournament can find a comprehensive bulletin on the State website at www.cifstate.org.
RELEASEx SCHEDULE

BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL PAIRING INFORMATION
IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ!!!

Each school qualifying for the 2020 CIF Southern Section Ford Basketball Playoffs is to check our website (www.cifss.org) in accordance with the following schedule:

BOYS & GIRLS OPEN DIVISION TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.
This is an announcement only - Note: Bracket information will not be available at this time!

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL BRACKET RELEASE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020
10:00 A.M. - AT-LARGE AND FREELANCE TEAMS WILL BE POSTED ONLINE
12:00 P.M. - ALL DIVISIONS BRACKET RELEASE ONLINE @ www.cifss.org
12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. - TICKET DISTRIBUTION @ CIF-SS Office. Tickets will also be available on Monday, February 10th at the CIF-SS office and at remote ticket distribution sites.

All playoff brackets will be released online at 12:00 pm on Sunday, February 9, 2020. Information will be available regarding teams selected, pairings, ticket orders, coaches’ phone numbers, etc. from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm. You may contact the CIF-SS office @ (562) 493-9500 during this time. In order to facilitate the handling of phone calls to the CIF-SS Office, only ONE call shall be made by each school to ascertain pairing information. Please designate this coach or individual in advance.

Tickets will also be available on Monday, February 10th at the CIF-SS office and at remote ticket distribution sites. Remote ticket site locations will be posted on the basketball pages at www.cifss.org.
COIN FLIP SCHEDULE

The coin flips for second round games will be held in advance of the first-round games under the direction of the Commissioner on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. Coin Flips will be conducted at the CIF Southern Section Office. All subsequent coin flips will be done in advance after according to the schedule below.

Coin flips schedule for Div 1-5A games played on the following dates listed below:

- **Friday, February 14 (B)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Tuesday, February 11, 2020
- **Saturday, February 15 (G)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Tuesday, February 11, 2020
- **Tuesday, February 18 (B)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020
- **Wednesday, February 19 (G)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Friday, February 14, 2020
- **Friday, February 21 (B)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Monday, February 17, 2020
- **Saturday, February 22 (G)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Monday, February 17, 2020
- **Saturday, February 29 (CIFSS sites)**
  - COIN FLIP DATE: Monday, February 24, 2020

Note: OPEN Division games – higher seed will be the home team

Results of these flips can be found on the boy/girls basketball sports pages of our website (www.cifss.org) under the button labeled COIN FLIPS. These will be posted by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the flips.

The CIF-SS Basketball Office will be CLOSED on Saturday and Sunday, February 15 and 16, 2020. Please DO NOT call or come by the office on this day as there will be no one to help you for basketball.

All calls, ticket pick-ups, etc. will be handled on Monday, February 17, 2020, for games the following week.
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SCHEDULES & SCORES Complete your schedule in CIFSSHome prior to your season as well as update scores following each contest – ALL SCORES MUST BE IN CIFSSHOME by WEDNESDAY, February 5, 2020.

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire season schedule into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) as well as update the scores immediately following your contests.

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:
- On the left panel, click on “Teams”, select “Basketball, Boys/Girls”
- To Add a game, click “Add Game” at the top right and fill out all of the required fields which are marked by a red (*) to complete your schedule.
- To Submit your score, click on the “Teams”, select “Basketball, Boys/Girls” Scroll through your schedule and click on the green “Post Result” button.
- Make sure that your overall and team records are correct on your team page.

Check out the Help video under the Help button on the bottom left, “Be CIF Prepared!”

VARSITY TEAM INFORMATION (ROSTER) DUE no later than February 5, 2020.

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire Varsity roster into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than WEDNESDAY, February 5, 2020.

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:
- On the left panel, Click on the “Teams” tab, select “Basketball, Boys/Girls”
- Here are the instructions for using the sample file.
  - Download the sample file and delete the “contents only”. Copy and paste or type your roster information into the file as the contents and save the file to your computer. You can only upload an excel file (xls) that is the exact same format as the sample file. Columns for information not required for your sport may be left blank, but the HEADER INFORMATION MUST REMAIN EXACTLY AS THE SAMPLE.
  - Required Columns for Girls Tennis are: First Name, Last Name, Birth date, Year, & Eligibility.
    - Next - click Choose File, find your file, then click “Import Student”.
  - To confirm your roster has been uploaded, your roster will be uploaded in the roster section and all of the required columns are filled out.

Check out the Help video under the Help tab on the bottom left, “Be CIF Prepared!”

VARSITY COACHES

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your Boys and Girls Basketball coaches (Head & Assistants) into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than WEDNESDAY, February 5, 2020.

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:
- Click on the “Teams” tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team (Basketball, Boys/Girls).
- Click on “Add/Edit Coaches”, select the information to add both your HEAD & ASSISTANT coaches

Check out the Help video under the Help tab on the bottom left, “Be CIF Prepared!”

VARSITY TEAM PHOTO DUE no later than WEDNESDAY, February 4, 2020

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that your Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball Team Photos are uploaded to CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than Wednesday, February 4, 2020.

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:
- On the left panel, -Click on the “Teams” tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team (Basketball, Boys/Girls).
- Under Team Picture, click Add/Edit Picture, click Choose File, find your photo file, then click “Upload Picture.” Special note: team photos must meet these requirements – must be a jpg file, no larger than 672 pixels x 480 pixels which is 7” x 5”.

Check out the Help video under the Support tab on the bottom left, “Be CIF Prepared!”
BALL PROGRAM MEMO

OFFICIAL BALL PROGRAM – MANDATORY USE IN PLAYOFFS 2019-2020

Official Ball per sport:

- Baseball: Rawlings CIF-SS  
  Rawlings RCFI-SS  
  Must be CIFSS stamped ball; not an alternative Rawlings ball

- Boys Basketball: Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic NFHS  
  Spalding TF1000 Legacy NFHS  
  Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 29.5 (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Girls Basketball: Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic 28.5 NFHS  
  Spalding TF1000 Legacy 28.5 NFHS  
  Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 28.5 (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Football: Spalding ball with NFHS  
  Spalding Alpha ball with NFHS  
  (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Soccer: Spalding TF-SC5 NFHS  
  Spalding TF-SC3 NFHS  
  Spalding TF5000 NFHS  
  for both boys and girls use.

- Softball: Dudley CFP12Y NFHS  
  (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Tennis: Penn ATP World Tour  
  Pro Penn Marathon  
  (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Volleyball: Spalding with NFHS stamp: TF-VB5, TF-VB3

- Boys Water Polo: KAP7 model 105 with NFHS stamp  
  (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

- Girls Water Polo: KAP7 model 104 with NFHS stamp  
  (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

All playoff ball adoptions agreements with the CIF Southern Section now run through June 30, 2021

Mandatory Playoff Use Requirement:
The mandatory “official” ball rule for all playoff rounds, excluding golf. The rule applies throughout the conduct of all CIF-SS playoff contests.

Playoff Ball Use Rule Enforcement:
Should a school fail to provide the correct game ball, the game will always be played. Teams/schools failing to utilize the correct official ball in CIF-SS playoffs will be reported by officials to CIF-SS and will not be allowed to host their next available home playoff game. Penalty will carry over to the next season if not enforceable this season due to elimination.

Note: NFHS stamp is required in all sports except in golf and tennis.
## PLAYOFF INFORMATION

### PLAYOFF QUALIFYING CHECKLIST

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<td>1. Input Player Roster into <a href="http://www.cifsshome.org">www.cifsshome.org</a> by February 5th.</td>
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<td>2. Upload team photograph into <a href="http://www.cifsshome.org">www.cifsshome.org</a> by February 5th.</td>
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<td>3. Verify eligibility of each player or potential player listed on roster (all potential players must be listed) by Feb 5&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;.</td>
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<td>4. Make sure all schedules and scores have been entered in <a href="http://www.cifsshome.org">www.cifsshome.org</a> and have been verified by Feb 5&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt;.</td>
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<td>5. Game Management form under the &quot;Finances&quot; tab at <a href="http://www.cifsshome.org">www.cifsshome.org</a> must be completed prior to first playoff contest</td>
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<td>6. Have court reserved if school is to &quot;host&quot; next round game</td>
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<td>7. Make arrangements for ticket pick up - CIFSS office vs remote site</td>
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<td>8. Pre-game planning with the opponent</td>
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<td>10. Provide PA announcements to the Announcer</td>
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<td>11. Game ball must be Spalding (see ball list) - if Spalding ball is not used, your next &quot;home&quot; game will be surrendered</td>
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CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT
MANAGEMENT
In accordance with Article 32 of the CIF Southern Section By-Laws, all playoffs of the CIF Southern Section shall be under the management of the Commissioner of Athletics.

GAME RULES
All playoff games will be played under the 2019-2020 National Federation Basketball Rules, except where superseded by Blue Book rulings or this handbook.

CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FORD BASKETBALL
CHAMPIONSHIPS PLAYOFF FORMAT
As adopted by the CIF Southern Section Council, LEAGUE ENTRIES WILL BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

4 Team Leagues - 2 Entries Guaranteed Only
5 Team Leagues - 3 Entries Guaranteed Only
6 Team Leagues - 3 Entries Guaranteed Only
7 Team Leagues - 4 Entries Guaranteed Only
8 Team Leagues - 4 Entries Guaranteed Only
9 Team Leagues - 5 Entries Guaranteed Only

Each championship divisional tournament bracket will be maintained at 32 team draws, depending on the number of entries submitted.

In divisions where there are more than 32 automatic qualifiers, "wild card" games will be played to reduce the field to accommodate the bracket of 32 teams.

LEAGUE DESIGNATION OF ENTRIES
Each league will also be charged with the responsibility - as in all other sports - of designating a priority order for its member-school entries for pairing purposes. CIF-SS tournament management will place schools in the 32 team brackets based on league entry order and will follow established and accepted guidelines in pairing the tournament brackets.

END OF COMPETITION
All league competition for entries must be completed on or before Friday, February 7, 2020. No league competition will be allowed on Saturday, February 8, 2020 per Blue Book Rule 1612.
SUBMITTING AN AT-LARGE / FREELANCE APPLICATION

AT-LARGE QUALIFICATION

In divisions where there are openings in the bracket, AT-LARGE ENTRIES will be accepted to fill the bracket openings up to 32 teams.

Schools wishing to be considered for an At-Large berth (including Freelance schools) must:

- Submit the official at-large petition through www.cifsshome.org
- At Large schools must have a .500 or better overall record to be considered
- Your league coordinator needs to be aware of your intent to file an At-Large
- At-Large petition and completed schedule and scores must be submitted by 11:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020.

The Tournament Seeding Committee will utilize the following information in its selection process for At-large berths, with each having no specific weight and/or order of preference:

- Head-to-head competition of teams under consideration
- Overall strength of the league in which the team participates
- Overall won/loss record
- League finish
- Strength against common opponents
- Strength of schedule
- Strength at end of season (whether team has won or lost its last 3 games, etc)
- Freelance teams will be part of the pool for the filling of “At Large” berths
- Computer rankings (Cal-Hi, CalPreps, and/or MaxPreps)

FREELANCE QUALIFICATION

Freelance schools interested in participating in the basketball playoffs should:

Submit a Freelance form and a schedule in www.cifsshome.org no later than 3 weeks prior to the end of the season.

Update schedules and scores in the www.cifsshome.org system on a regular basis with the final game results being entered no later than noon, Thursday, February 6, 2020.

Complete the At-Large petition in the www.cifsshome.org system in order to be considered for playoffs. Schools must have a .500 or better overall record to apply for At-Large entry.
DIVISION PLACEMENT CRITERIA FOR 2019-2020 BOYS/GIRLS BASKETBALL

CIF-SS Basketball Playoff Division Breakdown Criteria -

1. Schools will be placed into 9 original divisions. These 9 divisions (1, 2AA, 2A, 3AA, 3A, 4AA, 4A, 5AA, 5A) will have a varying number of teams in each division based on the average number of automatic qualifiers in each division over the past 2 seasons.

2. Competitive equity will be determined by a formula of individual school regular season and CIF-SS playoff performance over the previous 2 seasons.

3. CIF-SS Playoff brackets will be filled to 32 teams unless the number of automatic and at-large teams in a particular division necessitates a smaller bracket.

4. If there are more than 32 automatic qualifiers in a particular division, Wild Card games will be used to reduce the field to 32 teams.

5. At-large teams must have a .500 or better overall record and will be selected only to fill to 32 team brackets in each division using selection criteria discussed in the basketball preview and bulletin and as selected by the CIF-SS Coaches Advisory Committee.
PAIRINGS

It will be the responsibility of the Commissioner and his staff to establish the pairings in each first round game of all divisions.

PLAYOFF PAIRING FORMAT – Divisions 1 – 5A

At the request of the Southern California Basketball Coaches Association (SCIBCA) along with the approval of the CIF-SS Basketball Advisory Committees, and in an effort to update, clarify and enhance the overall presentation of the CIF-SS Ford Basketball Championships, new language for the construction of playoff brackets has been adopted.

SEEDS - The initial step is to designate four teams in rank order as seeds, with No. 1, 2, 3, and 4 placed in the designated draw position in each quarter of the bracket (see diagram 1). Now, designate the next four teams in rank order as seeds, with No. 5, 6, 7, and 8 being placed in each quarter of the designated bracket (see diagram 1). Next, the teams designated as seeds No. 9, 10, 11, and 12 will be placed in each quarter of the designated bracket (see diagram 1). The last four teams in rank order designated as No. 13, 14, 15, and 16 will now be placed in each quarter of the designated bracket (see diagram 1).
**Adjustments to seeding:** Adjustments to this procedure would be made if the seeds in the same half/quarter of the bracket were from the same league.

Another adjustment may become necessary in order to ensure that the No. 1 and 2 entries from the same league are placed in opposite halves of the overall bracket.

Note: Throughout this process, a league No. 2 entry may not be seeded higher than the No. 1 entry from the same league, nor may a No. 3 league entry be seeded higher than the No. 2 entry from the same league.

**Filling the draw:** The next step is to begin completing the draw by placing any remaining No. 2 league entries in the opposite half of the bracket from the No. 1 entries from the same league. The final step to complete the draw is to place the remaining No. 3 entries (along with any No. 4 entries, At-Large and/or Free Lance teams) from each of the respective leagues in the remaining open slots, attempting to place each in one of the remaining quarters of the bracket where the league is not represented. This process eliminates the aspect of schools from the same league meeting in the second round of competition. **Exception:** If the overall bracket holds less than 32 teams, it is possible for two teams from the same league to meet in the second round. **Open Division Exception:** In the Open Division there will be an 8 team bracket, therefore in that division it is possible for two teams from the same league to meet in the first round.

An exception to this procedure occurs where geography does not permit wide placement. The directive of the CIF Southern Section Council (from its meeting on March 13, 1980), directs schools be placed in the same half, and if necessary, quarter of the bracket, to curtail excessive travel, is followed.

**League change of entry:**

Once the draw sheet has been finalized by the CIF Southern Section Office and then notification is received that a league has made a mistake in submitting the proper entries in order of priority, this Office will exchange positions of the schools involved in the bracket from that league. No other changes will be made.

**California State Playoff Placement:**

1. All participants in the CIF-SS Open Division will be guaranteed an automatic bid into the CIF-State Regional Playoffs. (see page 16)
2. All CIF Southern Section Champions will be guaranteed a CIF-State Playoff berth (see page 16)
3. Additional teams need for CIF-State playoff berths will selected using the same At-Large criteria that is currently in place (see page 16)
CIF-SS BASKETBALL OPEN DIVISION

Opening Round for Open Division:  
*Boys* - *Friday, February 14, 2020*  
*Girls* – *Saturday, February 15, 2020*

Selection of Open Division Teams:

Up to 8 teams will be chosen at the end of the regular season for the CIF-SS Open Division.

Criteria for Selection of CIF-SS Open Division teams and Seeding

A Blue Ribbon committee will be formed by the CIF-SS to select the Open Division teams. Committee will be made up of current and former representatives of the CIF-SS Executive Committee, CIF-SS Basketball Coaches Advisory Committee, SCIBCA Executive Board, CIF State Basketball Coaches Advisory Committee and Media members.

1. Teams will be selected and seeded by the committee using the following criteria:  
   (unweighted)
   - Strength of schedule  
   - Overall Record  
   - Freeman/Max Preps/CIF-SS Top 16 rankings  
   - Strength at end of season (including roster additions/eligibility changes/winning & losing streaks/etc.)  
   - Head to Head vs. Open Division Entries  
   - Overall Record vs. Open Division Entries  
   - Victory vs. Quality opponents  
   - Quality loss  
   - Unexpected loss

Open Division Pool Play:  See explanation next page

Open Division Home Playoff Site Selection:

1. In the Open Division, the higher seeded team in each pool play game will have the home game.

Open Division Gym Size Minimum Requirement:

Open Division games generate tremendous interest and require adequate facilities to accommodate the expected crowds for these Open Division games. A site may be changed by the CIF-SS Office, if the home gym would not accommodate the expected ticket sales, attendance and community interest. In the Open Division Bracket, it is mandated that the host school secure a gymnasium that has a posted basketball seating capacity of no less than 2000 spectators for boys and 1,000 for girls. Venues with less than these capacities must be approved by the CIF-SS Office. It is recommended that Open Division schools plan ahead to secure a site that meets this requirement.
Open Division Pool Play

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Friday Finals (2/28) A v B @ The Pyramid @ LBSU

### Tie Breakers:

- 2 way tie - head to head
- 3 way tie - lowest seed number of wins in pool play

### 3 Way Tie:

The team with the lowest combined seed points from games they won in pool play will advance out of pool.

### 3 Way Tie Breaker Example:

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* Seed 4 advances by accumulating the lowest number of opponent seed points (9) in their pool play wins.*
PLAYOFF HOSTING INFORMATION

DETERMINATION OF SITES
(See page 14 for Open Division site selection)

To decide who shall be the host team after the first round of competition will be the sole responsibility of the Commissioner. In cases where two teams are paired after the first round of the playoffs, the team having the fewest number of home games in playoff competition shall be designated as the host team. When both teams have had an equal number of home playoff contests, the Commissioner shall toss a coin to decide the host team. When a school has been designated as the host school for a playoff contest it shall (1) act in that capacity unless excused by the Commissioner and (2) be considered the host team regardless of where the game is being played. SPECIAL NOTE: Teams receiving a bye in the first round shall automatically be the host team in the next round of the playoffs. The bye received in the first round shall not count toward the total number of home games played.

The host school is charged with the responsibility of securing an adequate gymnasium for the holding of a basketball playoff contest. All sites must be approved by the Office of the Commissioner of Athletics. It is recommended that where available and when approved, playoff games shall be played in rent-free high school gymnasiums, but in cases where it is necessary to pay a rental fee for an outside gymnasium, such an arrangement must be approved by the Commissioner prior to the contest.

Competing schools are reminded that CIF-SS playoff basketball games, while they may be played at one school, are under the control of the CIF-SS. Both competing schools in any one game are given equal consideration in regard to seating. If, in the Commissioner's opinion, the host team gym is not large enough to accommodate the anticipated crowd, the host team will be required to reserve one-half of the gym's capacity for the visiting school's rooters.

GAME SITES

The Commissioner's Office has been delegated the authority to determine the sites of all basketball playoff contests. For all games other than those at the CSULB, Azusa Pacific University, Colony High School or Godinez High School, the office will be guided in this decision by the following factors: (1) size of courts, (2) lighting, (3) seating capacity as it relates to a specific contest, (4) parking facilities, (5) type of backboards, (6) press facilities available, (7) availability of an alternate gym in the area, (8) results of the most recent Basketball Facility Survey.

SPECIAL NOTE: All divisions for BOTH boys and girls basketball, the semifinal games shall be played on HOST COURTS. For any playoff contest, the Commissioner may direct that the contest be played on an alternate court if the host court does not meet CIF-SS playoff standards or will not accommodate the anticipated crowd.

PRACTICE IN ALTERNATE GYMS

Whenever a playoff game is scheduled for an alternate gym, neither team will be permitted to practice in that gym prior to the contest. The visiting team may not practice prior to the game on its opponent's home court.
**ALTERNATE GYM DEFINED**

An alternate gym is defined as any site on which a team does not conduct practice. A team may schedule more than one game in the same gym, and the facility would still be considered an "alternate" gym as long as NO practice session was conducted in that facility. In games where a team is entitled to a host court, but its regular gym does not have adequate seating capacity to meet playoff standards and the game is ordered to be played at another facility, that team may conduct practice at this facility prior to the contest.

**PLANNING MEETINGS**

It is required that administrators from the two competing schools communicate to discuss details connected with the staging of the contest. Visiting students and supporters should be given detailed information regarding the best method of reaching the site of the contest, where to park, where to enter the facility and where their allotted seats are located. The half-time entertainment and all activities connected with the game should be thoroughly worked out.

If needed, planning meetings may be held for those teams involved in games under the direct management of the Commissioner. Schools will be notified of the exact sites and times of the planning meetings.

**GAME ARRANGEMENTS**

With a very limited amount of time between each round of the playoffs, a tremendous strain is placed on the staff at the CIF-SS Office in arranging the details connected with insuring a successful playoff activity. Game sites must be established, officials secured, tickets mailed, press credentials issued, and press releases distributed.

The CIF-SS Basketball Office will be CLOSED on Saturday and Sunday, February 15 and 16, 2020. Please DO NOT call or come by the office on this day as there will be no one to help you for basketball. All calls, ticket pick-ups, etc. will be handled on Monday, February 17, 2020, for games the following week.

**GAME ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION**

**EQUAL FACILITIES**

Although it is necessary that one team be designated as the host team, it shall be kept in mind that the game belongs to both competing schools and facility seating must be split equally. **A pre-game planning meeting must be conducted to plan all details connected with the staging of every playoff contest.**

**ELIGIBILITY LISTS**

One eligibility list, which will suffice for the entire playoff duration, **must** be submitted on cifsshome.org prior to the first playoff game.
TEAM SIZE

Each school participating in the CIF Southern Section Basketball Playoffs will be permitted to suit up not more than 17 players.

GAME JERSEYS

The host team shall wear white jerseys and the visiting team dark-colored jerseys, for all playoff contests. If a team has only one set of jerseys, it will be that school's responsibility to notify its opponent in sufficient time in advance of any scheduled contest, so that proper arrangements can be made to make certain that both teams have contrasting colored jerseys.

GAME BALL

- Boys Basketball: Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic NFHS
  Spalding TF1000 Legacy NFHS
  Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 29.5 (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)
- Girls Basketball: Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic 28.5 NFHS
  Spalding TF1000 Legacy 28.5 NFHS
  Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 28.5 (Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)

GAME OFFICIALS

Officials for all playoff games will be coordinated through the CIF-SS Office and the Assignment Coordinator. In games leading to the championship game, each official shall receive $89 for 2 officials and $85 for 3 officials. In championship games, each official will receive $97 for 2 officials or $93 for 3 officials. (see Bluebook rule 1222.0)

Mileage fees, due to excess travel distance, will be confirmed by the assignment coordinator. Officials will be appointed, whenever possible, from neutral officials' associations. You will be notified of your officials in advance and we ask that you **DO NOT call the CIF-SS Office** due to the heavy phone traffic during playoffs. However, if the host school has not been advised regarding officials by 12 noon on game day, please contact Bob McQueen, (626) 285-6608 or John Moore, (949) 233-6875 or Ron Wade (951) 312-0077

**SCHOOLS ARE NOT TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR OWN OFFICIALS.**

PROTESTS

By action of the CIF-SS Council, protests of playoff contests involving National Federation rules will no longer be entertained following the conclusion of the contest.

Coaches may direct questions to the game officials as they pertain to a possible misapplication of the rules in accordance with the National Federation rules governing that sport. No protest may be carried forth once the contest is complete.

Coaches are encouraged to carry National Federation rule books with them for all playoff contests.

Schools will still have the opportunity to protest a contest in accordance with Southern Section rules, Rule 1111, as it pertains to use of ineligible player or violations of any CIF-SS rule in accordance with the contest.
GAME RESULTS

Scores must be posted in your schedules and scores on www.CIFSSHOME.ORG immediately following the completion of the contest.

OFFICIAL SCORER AND CLOCK OPERATOR

The official scorer and clock operators are recognized as game officials and it is required that a faculty member or other qualified responsible ADULT staff these important positions. The official scorer (scorebook) MUST wear a black/white vertical striped shirt/pinney per NFHS guidelines.

CHECK TIMER

The check timer for playoff games shall be a faculty member or responsible adult. If the visiting team does not supply a check timer, the host team facility timer alone is responsible.

35/30 SECOND CLOCKS

The 35-second clock shall be used for all boys basketball contests and the 30-second clock shall be used for all girls basketball contests. A visible clock is highly recommended for all playoff contests.

ANNOUNCER – Playoff Rounds
(Please read prior to start of each contest)

The announcer should be a responsible adult who can set the tone of the game by calling the fans’ attention to the following points of reference:

1. CIF-SS playoff contests are conducted under the strictest code of good sportsmanship.
2. The officials are neutral individuals, representing the Commissioner and have been selected because of demonstrated ability.
3. Rooters are encouraged to support their own team and are requested to display proper sportsmanship with respect to the visiting school and the officials. The CIF-SS appreciates your attendance and support of high school basketball.

AWARDS / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

CIF-SS regulations provide for seventeen individual patches to be furnished to members of the championship team in each playoff division. Runner-up teams will receive seventeen individual medals. The championship and runner-up team in each division will each receive a CIF-SS permanent trophy which will be retained by the school. Team and individual awards will be presented immediately following each boys and girls championship contest.

Each year, the Southern California Interscholastic Basketball Coaches Association (SCIBCA) honors outstanding coaches for their contribution to high school basketball in Southern California. Time is provided during the evening of the championship games for this presentation.
When deemed appropriate, the CIF-SS honors people who have made contributions to its interscholastic program. In addition, many former outstanding CIF-SS championship teams are recognized. Time is provided during the evening double-header at the championship game for these presentations.

**CHEERING SECTIONS**

Fan/Student cheering sections are encouraged to cheer and support their own team and should display proper sportsmanship with respect to the opposing team and the game officials. They are expected to follow the following guidelines and failure to do so may lead to removal from the contest and/or forfeiture of the contest.

1. **Noisemakers** (horns, bells, victory bells, sirens, chimes, wooden blocks, balloons, thunder sticks, etc.). Megaphones may only be used by the school’s uniformed cheer squads.
2. Cheering devices such as rally towels, pom poms and pennants are acceptable when used within the bounds of good sportsmanship.
3. Face painting is acceptable from the neck up only and shall not include any inappropriate letters or symbols. Assigned school staff shall monitor their cheering sections in regard to face painting.
4. It is the expectation that cheering section behavior will be monitored by the assigned school staff of the school that they represent. All improper behavior/language should be addressed and corrected immediately by school staff supervisors.
5. Rules are subject to specific event and/or venue limitations.

**PEP BAND, CHEERING SQUADS**

If the host school has a band of not more than 12 members capable of contributing to the entertainment, there is no objection to having it play before games and during intermissions. Under no circumstances may the band instruments be used for cheering purposes. **Electronic amplification is prohibited.**

Even though additional members of the band purchase tickets, not more than 12 members may comprise the pep band. Because a number of gymnasiums have poor acoustics, it has been necessary to limit the number of players in a pep band. The noise generated by a large band in a gym with poor acoustics is annoying to spectators and distracting to players.

No band, other than the one from the host school, shall be admitted as an organization except by special permission of the Commissioner, who will act upon petition by the principal of the host school. **Under no circumstances may more than 12 members comprise a pep band at playoff games.**

Members of an authorized pep, yell and/or song squad from both competing schools shall be admitted free of charge if in uniform and accompanied by an adult supervisor.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** For all championship games, school pep bands will be allowed no more than 21 members and school pep squads will be allowed no more than 12 uniformed members.

**POSTERS AND BANNERS**

Posters and banners are an excellent way of creating good sportsmanship between competing schools. Only those posters and banners exhibiting this concept will be permitted.
PLAYOFF FINANCIALS

RESPONSIBILITY

The principal of each school participating in the CIF Southern Section (CIF-SS) Basketball Playoffs shall be responsible to see that prescribed procedures pertaining to playoff regulations, as outlined in this section, are followed. If the principal so desires, this responsibility may be delegated to a member of his staff.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The CIF-SS Blue Book requires the host school charge admission to a Basketball Playoff contest. (See financial policy Article 10, Section 143-145, CIF-SS Blue Book. All information can be found on the web site).

Financial forms (host and visitor) be submitted via www.cifsshome.org. Checks and unused tickets are the only items that should be dropped off or physically mailed to the CIF-SS office.

FINANCIAL REPORTING PROCEDURE – Visiting School and Host School

Both the visiting school and the host school must complete a financial report for each playoff game via www.cifsshome.org.

- Within 3 school days following the game, the visiting school must enter any pre-sale tickets sold, round trip mileage ($1.50 per mile for basketball), *meals and/or lodging expenses* (*pre-approved by the CIF-SS office). Meal allowances issued to teams traveling >140 miles round trip and lodging allowances >550 miles round trip. (details listed on page 26)

- Once the visiting school has completed their financial report, the host school will have the ability to report revenue (via ticket sales) and expenses for the contest. Host schools are expected to submit only exact expenditures, within the maximums established (i.e., all security costs exceeding $350.00 must have prior approval from CIF-SS).

- For games reporting a profit, the host school shall send a completed financial report and profit shares to the CIF-SS office (60%) and the visiting school (20%). The distribution of money is indicated at the bottom of the completed financial report. Please send checks…**NO cash!**

- For games reporting a loss, the net loss will be split equally between the two participating schools, as indicated at the bottom of the completed financial report.

- Note also to send back any unsold CIF-SS issued tickets, as this is reconciled against the tickets consigned. Each ticket carries a value and schools may be billed for unreturned tickets.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Completed financial reports **MUST** be submitted within **10 school days** following the contest. As stated in CIF-SS Blue Book Rule 145, after a reasonable request from the Commissioner’s Office, schools that continue to be delinquent with financial reports will not be allowed to host a game during the playoffs in all sports for a period of **one year.**
CONCESSIONS

Where concessions and programs are involved in a playoff contest, the profit or loss from such enterprises shall not be included in the financial report. The host school reserves the right to handle the program and concessions as a separate venture and need not share the profit nor expect the CIF-SS or the visiting school to share in any loss.

GAME PERSONNEL

The host management is responsible for staffing the gymnasium with the personnel necessary to conduct the contest. It would be expected that the same pay schedule followed for league contests would be used to reimburse ticket sellers, ticket takers, police, physician and custodial help. In determining the pay scale for working personnel in playoff games, schools are reminded that it should be computed on the basis of one contest instead of two contests as is customary in regular league play.

In playoff contests, payment to faculty personnel to supervise a rooting section is not an allowable expense and may not be charged to game expense. It is realized that some schools pay faculty persons to supervise rooting sections in league contests, but because this is not the policy in many schools, the Executive Committee has ruled that if a school (host or visitor) desires to pay such personnel, it shall do so out of its share of the net receipts and not charge the cost to the game expense.

There is a wide disparity of staffing policies for athletic contests among schools in the Southern Section.

GATE PROCEDURES

All schools hosting playoff contests should make certain that gate personnel handling tickets are advised of the following procedures:

1. All paying attendees must receive a CIF-SS issued ticket.
2. All tickets presented for admission are to be torn in half to prevent further use.
3. All tickets are to be checked for appropriate color. This is to prevent someone from entering with a ticket designated for another game or with a ticket that was used for the previous playoff round. This also prevents an adult from entering with a student/child ticket, etc.
4. SEE BELOW for ADMISSION OF WORKING FACULTY PERSONNEL
5. All ticket-takers and gate personnel should familiarize themselves with the CIF-SS Media Pass, CIF-SS Courtesy Card and other acceptable passes. (See page 30)

ADMISSION OF WORKING FACULTY PERSONNEL

BOTH SCHOOLS: Only those regular faculty personnel from the competing schools who have been assigned definite supervisory responsibilities for the playoff game will be admitted free of charge. No other administrators, counselors, faculty or staff members will be admitted without a complimentary or general admission ticket.
ALLOWABLE TRAVEL EXPENSE – VISITING TEAM

The visiting school will pay its own traveling expenses and submit a statement of these expenses, after the game (within three (3) days), via www.cifsshome.org. These expenses would include mileage for transportation and lodging and/or meals where approved by CIF-SS Office. Traveling expenses of the visiting team are considered part of the game expenses.

MILEAGE TRAVEL EXPENSE

The CIF-SS Council has set the allowable travel expense as it pertains to Boys and Girls Basketball Traveling squads shall be limited to a maximum of 17 in the party, including players, coaches, manager, and administrators. Schools may take additional personnel if they wish, but at their own expense.

- Basketball travel allowance by CIF-SS office includes:
  - $1.50 per mile for chartered or school bus – Actual cost of bus is not an allowable expense.
  - $0.50 per mile for private automobile/school van (limit 3)
  Distance obtained from Map Quest, Google Maps or Yahoo Maps shall be used, when available, for computing expense

CIF-SS encourages schools to utilize private automobile transportation when possible in an effort to keep the travel allowance at a minimum and possible financial loss to schools involved. Please pass this information along to the person on your campus charged with completing the financial report form.

MEALS AND LODGING

No allowance will be permitted for meals or lodging without prior approval of the CIF-SS Office. This is necessary to insure uniform expenditures for all schools.

The number of meals allowed a school will be determined by the CIF-SS Office on the basis of distance traveled and the scheduled time of the game. No meals will be authorized when the travel distance is less than 140 miles round trip.

When approved, meal reimbursement maximums are:
- $3.00 for breakfast ……..per person for up to a party of 17
- $5.00 for lunch ……..per person for up to a party of 17
- $8.00 for dinner ……..per person for up to a party of 17

Mileage: Mileage must be verified by contacting the CIF Southern Section.

Lodging: If traveling over 550 miles, please contact CIF-SS office for lodging reimbursement authorization. Maximum reimbursement for lodging will not exceed $10.00 per person for a group of no more than 17 people. Because of this, schools in the playoffs are asked to assign the minimum number of personnel necessary to assure efficiency and safety.
TICKET SALES/TICKET DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

ADMISSION

It is MANDATORY that admission be charged in all basketball playoff games.

The CIF-SS Executive Committee has required that the host school charge admission to boys and girls playoff contests. (See Financial Policy Article 1, Section 140-149, CIF-SS Blue Book, pages 57-58.)

Ticket sales for all games, except those under the direct management of the Commissioner's Office, will be controlled by competing schools. The host school is responsible for ticket accounting for the game. Hand stamps not permitted in lieu of the purchase of a CIF-SS ticket.

Playoff tickets for each school will be available at the CIF-SS office or at a designated, geographical remote distribution site.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS

Each school participating in the CIF-SS Basketball Playoffs will receive an allotment of 15 general admission tickets for each match in which they compete. If additional tickets are desired, they must be purchased at the prevailing rate by the school. Drivers of team and rooter buses must be provided with tickets by the school; they will not be admitted without a ticket. These tickets are also to be used for scouting purposes. It's the discretion of each participating school how the complimentary tickets are distributed.

GUIDELINES FOR TICKET SELLERS

1. Do not accept cash in large bills unless absolutely necessary. Do not accept personal checks.
2. Check large bills for authenticity. Hold it up to the light. $100 bills will have a vertical marking as well as a facial picture off to one side. Counterfeit bills do not have this water mark.

PRE-GAME TICKET SALES

Each school is encouraged to sell presale tickets at their school site. Presale tickets will not be issued to a school automatically. Presale tickets must be requested and picked up at the CIF-SS office or one of the designated remote sites.

The accounting for both general admission and student/child presale tickets is done via the website (www.cifsshome.org). see Financial Reporting Procedure.

Immediately following the contest:

1. Complete playoff financial report for all advance ticket sales (via www.cifsshome.org)
2. Each team should send any unsold tickets back to the CIF-SS office.
**TICKET PRICES FOR ALL BOYS AND GIRLS PLAYOFF CONTESTS/CHAMPIONSHIPS**

For games in all divisions, students from the competing schools will have an opportunity to purchase, at pre-game sale, a **STUDENT TICKET** good for admission. Schools are encouraged to promote the advance sale in order to cut down on the lines the day of the games.

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**ADMISSION PRICE POSTERS** will be provided by the CIF-SS office to all schools hosting a playoff contest.

### Championship Finals - Azusa Pacific University

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### OPEN DIVISION Championship Finals – CSULB, Pyramid

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COURTESY CARDS AND PASSES

CIF-SS Courtesy Cards will be honored for all volleyball playoff contests, INCLUDING THE CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS. Courtesy Cards will be checked at the gate. Courtesy cards from other sections and officials’ association passes are not valid for admission at any CIF-SS playoff contest.

NO SCHOOL, LEAGUE, DISTRICT, OR LOCAL NEWSPAPER PASSES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSION TO PLAYOFF GAMES REGARDLESS OF LEAGUE POLICIES GOVERNING THIS MATTER.

CIF-SS press and photographer’s credentials (see Media Section) issued by the Commissioner’s Office, the State CIF Courtesy Card, and the State CIF Life Pass are the only credentials to be honored for admission to volleyball playoff contests.

The following passes will be accepted for all rounds EXCEPT the championship basketball finals and as noted:
- CIF-SS Courtesy Card
- CIF-SS Press Credential
- CIF-SS Photographer Credential
- Special credentials (see Media Section) will be issued by the Commissioner’s Office for the CIF-SS Finals.

The following passes will be accepted for all rounds INCLUDING the championship finals:
- State CIF Courtesy Card
- State CIF Life Pass
- CIF-SS Life Pass

The following passes will be accepted for the championship finals ONLY with the EXCEPTION of the Open Division Finals at the Pyramid:
- SCIBCA Membership card with picture I.D. (admits member only)
  SCIBA card will not be valid at the Open Division Finals on February 28, 2020 @ CSULB

The following passes WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED to any CIF-SS playoff or championship rounds:
- School Passes
- League Passes
- District Passes
- Local Newspaper Passes
- State CIF Media Passes
- Courtesy Card from other CIF Sections
- Officials Association Cards
CIF-SS COURTESY CARDS AND MEDIA CREDENTIALS

- CIF-SS Courtesy Card (Not valid at Championship Finals)
- CIF-SS MEDIA Pass (Not valid at Championship Finals)
- Gold CIF-SS Life Membership Pass

*No other type of pass issued by schools or leagues shall be honored for admission.*

- Faculty personnel with supervisory responsibilities for the game from either school shall be admitted in accordance with the procedures listed in this bulletin.

- **SPECIAL NOTE:** The CIFSS Courtesy Card and CIFSS Media Card will **NOT** be VALID for the Championship Final at ANY site.

The news media will need special credentials obtained through the CIFSS office for the **championship games** to be played at APU, CSULB, Godinez High School and Colony High School.

**CIF STATE CARDS**

The State CIF has issued two types of passes which are to be honored at all events:

- CIF State Gold Courtesy Card
- CIF State Gold Life Pass.

**CIFSS COURTESY CARD**

- **CIFSS COURTESY CARD - THIS CARD NOT VALID AT ANY CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**
MEDIA INFORMATION

PRESS CREDENTIALS

CIF-SS Media Credentials issued by the CIF-SS Office will be honored at all CIF-SS basketball games, except for games managed directly by the CIF-SS Office.

Members of the Media are urged to contact host schools and request press accommodations in advance of scheduled games. There will be occasions when this is not possible; therefore, the host school is requested to make every effort to arrange suitable seating for the Media covering the event.

In contests directly managed by the CIF-SS, special media credentials will be issued to working members of the Media who request them. Media credential requests should be made in writing at least one week in advance of the contest. Email requests to Anita Fopma, CIF-SS Communications Program Coordinator, anitaf@cifss.org.

CIF-SS PLAYOFF BROADCASTS

The CIF Southern Section retains broadcast rights for all CIF-SS contests and has the sole authority to approve any and all coverage. Prior approval for the broadcast of any CIF-SS contest must be secured from the CIF-SS Communications Department, specifically, Anita Fopma, CIF-SS Communications Program Coordinator, anitaf@cifss.org.

AUDIO ONLY BROADCASTS

Radio stations planning to broadcast a CIF-SS playoff contest in any sport must request prior permission from the CIF-SS.

Please contact Anita Fopma (anitaf@cifss.org) at the CIF-SS Office to obtain the charges for all rights fees.

All rights fees for radio broadcasts are to be filed directly with the CIF-SS, they are not to be included as part of the host school contest financial report.

The CIF Southern Section reserves the right to contract independently with any broadcast production company for exclusive coverage rights to any CIF Southern Section event.

There will be no fee charged for periodic progress reports made by a radio station during a CIF-SS contest, provided there are no more than six (6) of these reports for any single game. Such reports may not exceed two (2) minutes in duration and may not contain play-by-play descriptions of live action.

AUDIO/VIDEO COVERAGE

The CIF-SS Office retains all broadcasting rights for all contests and permission for same must be secured from the CIF-SS Communications Department, specifically, Anita Fopma, CIF-SS Communications Program Coordinator, anitaf@cifss.org, who will have the sole authority to approve such request. To obtain rights for any type of broadcast, for any contest, the production company must secure permission from the CIF-SS Communications Department.
DELAYED TELECASTS OF CIF-SS playoff games may be permissible but may not be aired prior to the completion of any Fox Sports Net live telecast or 10:00 p.m., whichever comes last, on the date of the contest. Consideration for any LIVE TELECAST will necessitate contractual negotiations with the CIF-SS Communications Department, a minimum of 3 days prior to the event.

For any type of broadcast of any CIF-SS basketball contests, a rights fee shall be paid DIRECTLY TO THE CIF-SS in advance. That fee amount is based on the type of broadcast.

Rights fees for television broadcasts of CIF-SS playoff contests are to be filed directly with the CIF-SS Office and are not to be included in the host schools financial report.

Payment of rights fees shall be required for any type of broadcast coverage of CIF-SS contests, regardless of the commercial, or non-commercial, intent of the coverage.

News reports, film or video tape, of any CIF-SS contest is permissible, without payment of fees or prior approval, provided there are no more than six (6) of these reports for any single game. Such reports may not exceed two (2) minutes in duration and may not contain play-by-play descriptions of live action.

**CIF-SS COPYWRITE**

All CIF-SS contests are copyrighted events of the CIF Southern Section. Any recording, rebroadcast and/or retransmission of any CIF-SS contest, live or delayed, without the expressed, written consent of the CIF Southern Section is strictly prohibited and could be subject to copyright infringement laws.

**MEDIA PASSES AND PRESS CREDENTIALS**

Pass gate personnel at **CIF-SS contests** shall be instructed to honor CIF-SS Media Passes issued to members of the working media. **No other type of pass issued by schools or leagues shall be honored for admission.** The multi-colored Media Card for 2019-2020 will be honored at **playoff games only and cannot be used at any Championship venue.**

The news media will be issued special credentials for the **championship games** to be played at APU, CSULB, Godinez High School and Colony High School.

** (see page 30 for details of cards accepted)

**ALL CIF INFORMATION**

Forms for All CIF Nominations will be available on the CIF-SS website **www.cifss.org.** These forms will be available on the boys or girls basketball sports page in the download section in January 2020.

Please note the date information is due to SCIBCA for consideration.
STATE QUALIFYING INFORMATION

SOUTHERN SECTION CRITERIA FOR ENTRY INTO CIF STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION PLACEMENT OF SCHOOLS
Boys and girls Regional and State Championships will be held following the completion of Section playoffs. The CIF State Seeding Committee will determine the divisional placement of the Section entries for their respective regional tournament.

SECTION REGIONAL ENTRIES
(1) AUTOMATIC QUALIFIERS: CCS – 21; CS – 16; LACS – 15; NCS – 25; NS – 12; OS – 2; SDS – 18; SFS – 2; SJS – 23; SS – 44

(2) OPEN DIVISION There will be four regional Open Division brackets. Each regional Open Division bracket will have a maximum of eight (8) teams but could have less if the tournament committee feels that there are not eight qualified teams. The tournament committee will select the teams for the Open Division before they seed the five (5) divisions of the State Tournament. Teams selected by the committee for the Open Division will compete in the Open Division ONLY and cannot opt out.

The regional seeding meetings will take place on Sunday, March 1, 2020. Competition among the teams in each gender will be held in one Open Division and five (5) competitive equity based divisions. Tournament brackets will range from 8 to 16 team brackets (unless outbracket games are required) depending on the number of entries forwarded by each CIF Section.

CIF-SS Section to State Basketball Entries

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All berths available to the Southern Section will be seeded based upon the following criteria with each area having no specific weight and/or order of preference. The CIF State Seeding Committee will make final determination of regional seeding and division placement.

***CRITERIA***

. . . . . each area having no specific weight and/or order of preference. . . .

(a) Head to head competition of teams under consideration
(b) Strength against common Southern Section opponents
(c) Southern Section Divisional Placement (i.e., Division I recognized as most difficult)
(d) Success in Southern Section tournaments
(e) Strength against statewide opponents
(f) Strength of schedule
(g) Overall win/loss record
(h) Strength at end of season
(i) State-wide and/or Southern Section rankings
(j) Computer rankings (Cal-Hi, CalPreps and/or Max Preps)
PLAYOFF REQUIREMENTS (TV, Web, Radio, Souvenirs)

CIF SOUTHERN SECTION PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS - ALL TEAMS AND HOST SITES
2019-2020

Rosters & Scores:  
• Complete schedules are to be submitted to CIFSSHOME prior to each season.  
• Update scores following every contest direct to CIFSSHOME  
Additional directions on accessing CIFSSHOME are included in this document.

TV/Web/Radio Rights:  
Any TV or streaming webcast (video or audio) or radio transmission of a CIF-SS playoff or championship event requires a contract and rights fees through the CIF-SS office prior to the contest. The only ‘exceptions’ are: Games broadcast via Fox Sports West, Fox Sports Prepzone or the NFHS Network.

‘Official’ Championship Souvenirs:  
The exclusive vendor for CIF Southern Section Championship souvenirs (t-shirts, scarfs, pins, beanies, hats, etc…) is our long-time partner CIF T-shirts. These are the official items sold each year per sport. You are likely familiar with their annual shirts at the finals. You can order team and individual items through them at www.cifshirts.com.

Official Ball Required:  
Only the approved official ball in each ball sport may be played by either school during CIF-SS playoff contests. Violation of this rule will result in loss of your next home playoff game. The current Official Ball list for each sport is included and available at www.cifss.org in the “Resources” drop down. This policy has been in effect since 2002.

Gatorade Only:  
Only Gatorade jugs, cups, bottles, ice chests may be used or visible during any CIF-SS playoff contest. (No Powerade, Body Armor, etc). The only acceptable alternative is a plain-wrap or Igloo labeled products. This rule does not apply to the actual liquid distributed to athletes. This policy has been in effect since 1995.

CIF-SS on Souvenirs:  
The ‘CIF Southern Section’, ‘CIF-SS’, ‘Southern Section’ and ‘CIF’ marks and logos are registered trademarks with the State of California. Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on rings, patches and banners, by doing business with a CIF-SS licensed vendor. Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on apparel and other souvenir items exclusively through cifshirts.com. Schools creating items with CIF-SS registered marks from a non-licensed vendor will face sanction and/or will be required to purchase any unsold shirts/items at the Championship Final. A list of the currently licensed vendors for these products is included and regularly updated on www.cifss.org.

Please note: The use of only “CIF” is strictly prohibited per the State CIF registered trademark. The “CIF”, is not just the CIF Southern Section. Only those teams in State regionals, bowl games and individual sport finals actually qualify to use CIF without Southern Section attached. Any such use must be approved in advance by the CIF State office.
Host Site Requirements:

Playoff Tickets: (This pertains to revenue sports of basketball, football and volleyball): It is mandatory to sell tickets for admission to all CIF-SS playoffs and championship contests. Use of the CIF-SS provided tickets is desired, if possible logistically, for audit, cost and sponsorship reasons. A Ticket Board(s) is included. Refer to the Ticket Handlers and Financial Clerks memo included with your tickets for additional information.

CIF-SS/FORD Banner: It is a requirement of each host school (including off-site) that the CIF-SS/Ford Championships banner be displayed at every playoff home game in football and the gymnasium sports post football season (or on the electronic signage where schools/venues do not display banners).

Gatorade: It is a requirement of each school use only Gatorade product/jugs/cups/squeeze bottles during CIF-SS championship events. No other competitive product shall be used. Water can be placed in Gatorade merchandise.

PA Announcements: As a host of a CIF-SS playoff contest, the CIF-SS announcements take precedence over the host school’s messaging and must be read in entirety at each playoff contest. Home schools are the host of a CIF-SS event in the playoffs. For contractual requirements, please read all the provided PA’s each contest.

Media Credential Access: Accredited working media should be given admission to all playoff games by showing their CIF-SS Press or Photo credential.
CIF SOUTHERN SECTION PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIP ADDITIONAL/CUSTOM POST SEASON AWARDS 2019-2020

PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES: Each member of a team participating in the CIF-SS playoffs can receive a Participation Certificate. These certificates will be downloaded and printed solely by your school. The certificate is in a ‘Type-In’ format and may be downloaded from the CIFSSHOME website under AWARDS.

NEED ADDITIONAL AWARDS: Feel free to order additional directly.

Medals and Plaques: If your team won or was a runner-up in a CIF-SS championship and you need to purchase any additional champion/runner-up plaques and runner-up medals contact All American Trophy by contacting Paul Purdum at (323) 725-1962.


CUSTOM AWARDS/ RINGS/BANNERS/APPAREL SOUVENIRS USING CIF-SS: Schools often seek to create custom patches, gym banners and championship rings that include both the school and CIF-SS marks/logos/names. Example: ‘ACME BOYS BASKETBALL 2019 CIF-SS CHAMPIONS’. Schools may create these items using CIF-SS marks only through a CIF-SS licensed vendor.

CIF-SS ‘registered’ trademark: The “CIF Southern Section”, “CIF-SS”, “Southern Section” and “CIF” marks and logos are registered trademarks with the State of California. Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on rings, patches and banners by doing business with a CIF-SS licensed vendor. Schools creating items with CIF-SS registered marks from a non-licensed vendor will face sanction and/or will be required to purchase any unsold shirts/items at the Championship final if similar non-licensed items appear at the contest. A list of the currently licensed vendors for these products is included and regularly updated on www.cifss.org.

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CIF-SS vendors who are licensed to create custom items for schools that include CIF-SS: Championship Patches (circle shape) Playoffs or Prelims, Finals Patches (shape of a shield) for participation in Cross Country, Track & Field or Swimming Finals, Masters Patches (oval shaped) for participation in a Masters Track & Field or Wrestling event and Wrestling Dual Meet (rectangle shaped) are sold “ON-SITE” by the CIF-SS vendor. Additional patches post event can be ordered through any of the licensed CIF-SS patch vendors:
• Chenille Patches

JL Varsity Jackets & Patches  www.jlcustomjackets.com  (951) 867-3200
CIF Tshirts  www.cifstshirts.com  (951) 789-5858
C&L Custom Jackets  www.cjljackets.com  (714) 828-6900
Embroidery & More  www.embroideryandmoredesign.com  (951) 471-5200
Fancy Stitchin'  www.fancystickin.com  (951) 656-6505
Jostens  www.jostens.com
Sports Jackets Unlimited  www.sportsjacketsunlimited.com  (562) 693-9894
Neff  www.neffco.com/School-Patches  (800) 232-6333 x3417
We Got ‘Em Tees  www.wegotemtees.com  (760) 983-6087
TAS - The Advertising Specialists  www.tassigns.com  (626) 966-4770

• Custom Banners/Souvenirs  Your school may now create custom items that include the CIF-SS mark or logo (championship banner, banners for your gym, etc...) through a licensed CIF-SS vendor (and their specialty).

C&L Varsity Jackets (Souvenirs)  www.cjljackets.com  Larry Westbrook  (714) 828-6900
Integrity Design (Banners)  www.IntegrityDesignUSA.com  Larry Shoppa  (855) 341-8817
Jostens  www.jostens.com
NEFF (Banners)  www.neffco.com  (800) 232-6333
Cabana Banners (Souvenirs)  www.cabanabanners.com  Mike Cook  (800) 697-3139

• Rings

J. Lewis Small  www.jlewissmall.com
Jostens  www.jostens.com
National Recognition Products  www.nrprings.com
Signature Style Jewelry  www.signaturestylejewelry.com

PROTECT YOUR SCHOOL TRADEMARKS: The CIF Southern Section strongly suggests you double-check the status of your school licensed/registered marks and logos now. Some schools have permanently lost control of others selling their merchandise with no royalty or approvals because the proper State of California licensing/registering process had not previously occurred or been enforced.

For additional vendors licensing information, please contact CIF Southern Section Marketing Manager Jackie Gibson at jackieg@cifss.org or 562-493-9500.
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