

Sue's News

Monday June 17, 2024

Tuesday June 18 Referee Shirt of the Day – Dig Pink – Dig Pink AAU L/S tee or plain pink polo with no competing tournament logos (or white)

SECOND SESSION

Today was the first day of the second session. Make sure you are taking care of yourself, drinking lots of water and eating healthy food. Remember there is a microwave in the N322 office or in the S310. Get some sleep and make sure you refresh yourself. Don't just refresh your mind, let's make sure we have refreshed our bodies and our clothing. There are washing machines at the hotel. Please use them. You cannot wear the same shirt more than twice. Take advantage of your breaks. Get out of the noise, put your feet up.

We need to remember to be kind and keep smiling. A smile can go a long way to diffuse a difficult situation. But we also need to enforce the rules as they are written. Do not get angry at coaches or players. Use the tools you have to help them understand the rules.

ROSTERS

Rosters are **ORANGE** for the session 2. The coaches band is also orange.

Referees, coaches cannot give you a handwritten roster. They must have the correct roster so you can check it and initial it prior to the start of each match.

BALLER TV

Baller TV equipment does not belong to the tournament and should only be used by the Baller TV team members. Referees should only use the Ipad to assist a work team member in entering information. No other use of any Baller TV equipment is authorized. If you move to another court, DO NOT take the equipment from one court to the new court.

SCORES and SCORESHEETS

Any referee(s) that does not enter a score immediately after the match is complete could run the risk of being sent home. In the latter part of the day, it is critical that scores get entered so it does not look like a court is running behind. It's really not that hard, people.

BE ON TIME

It's very annoying when all of your matches are going great and things are on time and then your partner is not at the court to start the next match. If you are 'off', there is absolutely no reason that you should not be at the court before the previous match is completed. Please make a more conscious effort to be at your court so matches can start on time or as quickly as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

BUS SCHEDULE

Get to the bus on time! If one bus is full in the morning, get on the other bus and walk to the opposite side.

There is a bus that leaves for the north concourse and the south concourse at 6:00 am every morning. Those 2 buses run from the hotel on the hour until 10:00 am.

A **second single bus** starts running from the hotel starting at 6:30 am and arrives at the OCCC on the hour. That bus will continue to run all day, leaving the hotel on the ½ hour and leaving the convention center on the hour.

At night, two buses start running again, one picking up in the south on the hour and one picking up in the north on the hour. Two buses picking up in the north at the ½ and the hour, one picking up in the south on the ½ hour. The last pickup at night is 10:30 on the north side. If you miss the bus, you need to let the desk referee know so they can find you a ride. All rides are coordinated from the north office.

If the bus does not arrive at the stated time or passes you by, call the office phone immediately. The office can contact the bus.

LISTEN (READ) CAREFULLY!!

After finishing a match and you are not assigned to the next match on that court, do not hang out at the court chatting with parents, the referees or coaches. Please move out of the area as quickly as possible (and enter the scores from your scoresheet that you are going to turn in).

Referees – you CANNOT drop off your bag or your scoresheet at your next court until it is your turn to be on that court. Stay away from the R2 during the match. If I hear or see any more instances where a referee is having a discussion with another referee during a match, you will be sent home.

If you are the R1, as you walk to your stand before the start of the match, check to be sure both antennas are properly aligned.