PLAYING TIME RULES

BELOW ARE PLAYING TIME RULES FOR ALL AGE GROUPS

GAMES ARE STOPPED EACH QUARTER NEAR THE 4 MINUTE MARK FOR SUBSTITUTIONS

(1ST-12TH GRADE BOYS, 1ST-12TH GRADE GIRLS)

With 9 players: 4 players can play 5 half quarters and 5 players can play 4 half quarters

With 8 players: (1) all players can play 2 1/2 quarters (5 half-quarters)

- (2) 4 players can play 2 quarters and 4 players can play 3 quarters
- (3) 3 play 2 quarters, 2 play 2 1/2, and 3 play 3 quarters
- (4) 2 play 2 quarters, 4 play 2 1/2, and 2 play 3 quarters
- (5) 1 plays 2 quarters, 6 play 2 1/2, and 1 plays 3 quarters

With 7 players: (1) 2 players play 2 1/2 quarters (5 half quarters) and 5 players play 3 quarters

- (2) 3 players play 2 1/2, 3 play 3 quarters and 1 plays 3 1/2 quarters
 - (3) 4 players play 2 1/2, 1 plays 3 quarters and 2 play 3 1/2 quarters
 - (4) 1 player plays 2 quarters and 6 players play 3 quarters

With 6 players: (1) 1 player plays 2 1/2 quarters (five half quarters) and 5 players play 3 1/2 quarters (7 half quarters)

(2) 2 players play 3 quarters, 4 players play 3 1/2 (7 half quarters)

With more than 5 players, there is no alternative that allows any one player to play the entire game. Any player on the bench has to enter the game at the start of the next period or stoppage at the 4 minute mark. This includes the half time break. If a player is out the last half of the 2nd quarter, they must enter the game at the beginning of the 3rd quarter. There is no "free substitution". Substitutions can only occur near the 4 minute mark, at the start of a quarter or due to injury. You cannot substitute during a timeout or other game stoppage. If you go into **overtime**, you can play any players that you want (that have not fouled out).

Injuries..... If a player is injured, make sure that you still conform to the playing time rules for the remaining players. If the injured player re-enters the game, he/she gets credit for the period (1/2 quarter) in which he/she was injured and must try to catch up with the other players' playing time, even it means playing the remainder of the game.

<u>Players Fouling out or Injured</u>...... The player on the bench with the least amount of playing time must go in. Also, you still must conform to playing time rules for all remaining players.