



# Ohio High School Athletic Association

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## Basketball Coaches' Memo #2 November 15, 2019

As we get closer to the holidays, I encourage you and your team to think of ways to give back to your community and those that surround you. I **STRONGLY** encourage and endorse **The 2nd & 7 Foundation**.

The 2nd & 7 Foundation partners with nearly 130 universities, public school districts and private schools in Ohio. Through these partnerships, college and high school student-athletes visit 2nd-grade classrooms to share the importance of reading and education. The athletes read one of our Hog Mollies stories and discuss the important life lesson in the book. Each of our books contains a different lesson, such as teamwork, healthy habits, kindness, manners, sportsmanship, dream discovery, leadership, etc. Every 2nd-grade student is then given a copy of the book to take home. Our free program is extremely easy to implement and would benefit both your 2nd-grade students and your high school student-athletes.

Here is a link for more information about getting started: <https://www.secondandseven.com/reading-program/become-program-ambassador/>

### **The Mandatory Rules Meeting**

Be sure to reach out to your Athletic Director and ask them to verify that the meeting shows that you completed it on the school myOHSAA page. Thank you for those who have already completed! This presentation is meant to be an educational piece, so it is always better to watch ASAP.

**January 27- final date to view the meeting.**

### **Message from OHSBCA**

We wish all Junior High and High School Boys' and Girls' Basketball coaches the best of luck this season. Thank you for all you do for the great game of basketball in the state of Ohio. Reminder to join the OHSBCA prior to **December 31, 2019** deadline as there are many benefits to all basketball coaches. The OHSBCA website is the following: <https://oh.nhsbca.org>

### **Non-Interscholastic Reminder #2**

Since this is the number one violation of sports' regulations- player participation in non-interscholastic events during the season, please remind your players **they are NOT permitted to practice, tryout, or compete in any non-school basketball while members of the school team**. You cannot remind them enough.

### **Individual Skills Workouts during the season:**

**-A player may receive skill training any time during the year, sometimes these can be done on in a group setting, but still MUST be individual skills ONLY.**

We get many anonymous pictures sent to our office daily about violations to this rule.

Think of it this way:

If your rival came into the gym and snapped a picture, would it look like game play, or would it show individual skills?

Things to think about in your session:

- Every kid should be doing the same drill, or at a station by themselves
- No passing between players, 3-man weave, etc.. (this is not individual!)

### **"Showcases"**

Be careful. We are repeatedly coming across individuals conducting "Showcases" for your players to come 'showcase' their talents for college scouts, etc. Please remind your players, these are NON-INTERSCHOLASTIC events and participation is **not permitted once players are part of your team by participating in scrimmages, previews, foundation game or regular season games**.

### **Scrimmage Reminders**

Each of your teams (Freshmen, JV, Varsity) are permitted 5 total scrimmages and these scrimmages can be used anytime throughout the season. Please keep in mind however, that each PLAYER may only participate in 5 total scrimmages. If you elect to play in an OHSAA Foundation game, you may do so in place of one of your scrimmages.

### **Special Events:**

2020 Military Appreciation Night- January 17<sup>th</sup>: I strongly encourage you and your school to participate!