## MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER

2013 Rules and Regulations

- 1. Each team will play a total of 8 games. The championship will be decided on the won/lost percentage on **all** games played. If a tie occurs, first consideration is to head-to-head competition. If a tie still remains, teams will be declared co-champions.
- 2. Games will consist of 25 minute halves with a 10 minute halftime. Regulation soccer rules will be followed.
- 3. To maintain consistency, any game tied at the end of regulation play should be reported as a tie. There are no overtimes. Each team will receive a  $\frac{1}{2}$  win and  $\frac{1}{2}$  loss.
- 4. If a game is scheduled as your home game, there are several responsibilities that go with being the home team.
  - A. Bring balls to be used as game balls.
  - B. Provide a competent adult to work the clock.
  - C. Make a decision about starting the game if the weather is inclement. If the home team coach decides that it is unwise to play because of lighting, etc., he/she must call the county athletic office (478/765-8550) and the opposing coach. Once the game has started, the officials are in charge of the game. Please make every effort to play your game. There are very limited dates for rescheduling.
  - D. The home team is to provide the game score to the Athletic Office the following day. Please e-mail the score to tmcgee@bibb.k12.ga.us
- 5. Admission may be charged for your home games. Suggested prices are \$3.00 adults; \$2.00 middle school age or younger. Assume that all schools are charging admission and share this information with your parents.
- 6. Good sportsmanship is expected of each player. However, the following will result in ejection of the coach, participant or team member:
  - A. One-Game Sit Out:
    - 1. Two yellow cards in the same game
    - 2. Yellow-Red cards for taunting
    - 3. Deliberate handball to prevent a goal
    - 4. Red card for a foul on a player moving toward his/her goal in a scoring situation.
  - B. Two-Game Sit-Out with Red card for any of the following: violent conduct, spitting on another person, foul or abusive language, leaving the bench area for a fighting situation.

Any ejection should be reported to this office on the incident report form.

- 7. In accordance with the National Federation and High School adopted rule (and amended for middle school play), when there is a competitive imbalance between the teams, the game will be shortened as follows:
  - A. If a team is seven (7) or more goals down at the midpoint of the first half, that will be considered the end of the half, and the teams will play a fifteen (15) minute second half.
  - B. If a team is seven (7) or more goals behind at halftime, the second half will be restricted to fifteen (15) minutes.
  - C. When a team is ten (10) or more goals behind in the second half, the game will be terminated.

- 8. If a game needs to be canceled because of inclement weather, the home team (if a Bibb County team) must notify the Athletic Office or Eddie Ashley at least 3 hours prior to game time. Failure to notify me 3 hours prior to game time will result in the home school being responsible for paying the officials. The home team is also responsible for notifying the opposing coach.
- 9. For Bibb County home games, officials will be furnished by the Heart of Georgia Soccer Officials Association. The County Office will pay officials through the Association. Please let me know of any <u>legitimate complaints</u> concerning these officials.
- 10. Please read the Middle School Athletic Handbook concerning eligibility requirements, insurance, transportation, and rosters!

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