

POLICY- BASKETBALL PRIME DATE SCHEDULING

Sec. 1) BACKGROUND

- a) In fairness to the participants in girls' basketball, and those within the programs including parents, students and fans, the Board of Control has developed this policy to ensure that there are opportunities for girls' basketball to be played on "prime dates".
- b) These dates are Friday night, any time on Saturday, and any time on Sunday. Compliance with this policy neither expresses nor implies that a member school is in (or not in) compliance with Title 20, U.S.C. Titles, 1681-1688, et. Seq. (Title IX).

Sec. 2) BASIC REQUIREMENT (40% rule)

- a) Each basketball season, a member school shall meet one of two alternative methods of prime date compliance with respect to the scheduling of basketball games. The member school shall:
 - (1) Play at least forty (40) percent of its girls' home basketball games on a prime date, defined as Friday night, Saturday or Sunday, wherein tournaments shall only count as one game played toward this requirement; or
 - (2) Play at least forty (40) percent of its girls' basketball schedule (all games) on a prime date, defined as Friday night, Saturday or Sunday. Schools using this method must play at least one prime date game in each of the months of December, January and February.

Sec. 3) ANNUAL PRIME DATE COMPLIANCE PROCESS

- a) Each year, the KHSAA shall review all girls' regular season basketball schedules (hereinafter "current schedule"). These annual reviews shall begin with the first legal regular season playing date. Schools that are not in compliance with the forty (40) percent requirement on the first playing date shall be contacted on or before December 31 of the playing season in an effort to allow for schedule corrections or revisions to comply with the forty (40) percent requirement. The school shall be notified of the potential penalties for non compliance with this correspondence.
- b) Schedules shall be posted on the KHSAA website in the manner as instructed by the Commissioner's office prior to the published deadline. Schedules shall be accurate and include entry and designation of games that are involved in tournaments, classics, festivals and other multi-game events.
- c) At the end of the regular playing season, the schedules shall be reviewed for final compliance with the requirement.

Sec. 4) PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE PRIME DATE REQUIREMENT

- a) Based on the final review at the end of the regular season, if a member school's total home games for girls' basketball do not comply with the forty (40) percent requirement, and this is the first such violation by the member school, this violation shall result in a penalty in compliance with Bylaw 27.
- b) Based on the final review at the end of the regular season, if a member school's total home games for girls' basketball do not comply with the forty (40) percent requirement, and this is not the first such violation by the member school, additional penalties shall be applied in compliance with Bylaw 27 including the cancellation of contests in sports other than girls' basketball.