

ASAA March Madness Alaska Basketball State Championships COVID-19 Requirements

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Points of Emphasis

- We will not allow any basketball event to take place unless all protocols can be followed.
- We recommend that people who are at increased risk for severe illness including coaches, students, staff and officials, consult with their health care provider to determine whether participation in activities or events is prudent under the circumstances. Information from the CDC on who are at increased risk can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/>
- There will be a designated individual on site responsible for monitoring and following all screening, cleaning, and social distancing protocols.
- Teams are required to screen their participants prior to arriving at the venue and submit a report to ASAA upon arriving at the school
- Team are responsible to bring their own towels, hand sanitizer and medical kits. OPA will be onsite.

Facilities

- Cleaning and disinfecting will be conducted in compliance with CDC. The most current guidelines can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/clean-disinfect/index.html>
- Bleacher seating will be marked and restricted such that there is 6 feet of physical distancing and every other row is unoccupied.
- Hand sanitizer will be available to all attendees. Announcements will be made encouraging all individuals to use often.
- Ventilation systems will be inspected to insure they operate properly.
- Team bench areas will be blocked off to keep participants and spectators separated.
- Concessions will be available; however, no food and drink are allowed in the gym.
- When possible, there will be separate entrance and exit points. Signs will be posted for direction of walking traffic.

Attendees

- Prior to attending advisors, coaches, supervisors & participants must sign a waiver of liability related to COVID-19.
- Teams will only be allowed to enter the school 30 minutes prior to the start of their game. Staff will contact the head coach if games are running behind.
- Teams must leave the school 15 minutes following the conclusion of the game.

- Spectators will be allowed in the building no sooner than 15 minutes prior to game time and must leave immediately following the conclusion of their game.
- All attendees must have a mask on at all times while at the school. This includes but not limited to coaches, athletes, spectators, officials, media, and anyone else in attendance. (See Mask Protocols)
- Individuals must bring their own water bottle that is labeled and filled. No sharing of water bottles.
- No pre or post-game handshakes or high fives between teams.
- Avoid all non-sport related contact. Example: high fives, fist/elbow bumps, group celebrations, huddles, etc.

2021 ASAA March Madness Alaska Basketball Operational Details

- Follow all NFHS Basketball Rules Considerations.
- Locker rooms will be available to teams through the completion of half-time. Teams are to come dressed to play. At the end of half-time teams must take all their belongings with them to the bench. Locker rooms will not be available at the conclusion of a game
- Balls will be sanitized prior to and after use by wiping down with a non-alcohol wipes.
- Warm-up balls will be provided.
- Two sanitized back up balls will be at the scorer's table.
- Plastic shields covering the entire face will not be allowed in basketball due to the risk of unintended injury to the person wearing the shield or others.
- Teams will be allocated a maximum of 125 tickets for spectators through GoFan mobile ticketing.
- Schools will be limited to 125 tickets per team for spectators.
- No pep bands will be allowed at the event this year.
- Only 6 cheerleaders will be allowed to be on the floor at one time. All other sideline cheerleaders will be assigned to a designated area.
- Team benches will be limited to essential personnel (coaches & participating players with a maximum of 17 in chairs and 5 on the court).
- Benches will be spaced for social distancing.
- Because yelling and cheering are discouraged artificial noise makers that do not interfere with the official's whistle are allowed. No use of airhorns or megaphones.