



MHSAA 2024 Boys & Girls Bowling Regional Tournament Division 3, Region 19, hosted by Catholic Central High School

To: Athletic Directors and Bowling Coaches

From: Joseph Curcuru, Director of Athletics – Catholic Central High School

Regional Tournament Dates: February 23 and 24, 2024

On behalf of the MHSAA, Catholic Central High School and Park Center Lanes look forward to hosting the 2024 MHSAA Division 3 Regional 19 Bowling Tournament. Please review the following information and contact us with any questions.

PARTICIPATING TEAMS:

Allegan, Coloma, Constantine, GR Catholic Central, Hopkins, Grand River Preparatory, Niles Brandywine, Parchment, South Haven, Three Rivers, Wyoming Kelloggsville, Wyoming Lee.

LOCATION:

Park Center Lanes
2222 28th Street SW
Wyoming, MI 49519
(616) 532-2313

ENTRY PROCEDURES:

Participating school's Master Eligibility Lists and team/individual rosters should have been submitted to the tournament manager school's athletic office on or before the due date of Friday, February 3, 2024. **Rosters are limited to 7 bowlers for team event, and 6 bowlers for singles.**

ENTRY FEES:

Total fees for boys' and girls' teams will be \$305.00 - \$152.50 for each boys' team, and \$152.50 for each girls' team.

Teams who will not be bringing a full entry can contact Ryan Lomonaco at ryan@parkcenterlanes.com, to find out how much their team will be charged.

Checks should be payable & mailed to:

Catholic Central High School
Attn: Athletic Department
319 Sheldon Blvd. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Or

Delivered in-person on Friday morning to Park Center Lanes. **MHSAA Regional entry fees must be paid in full prior to the beginning of competition.**

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FORMAT:

The team tournament consists of eight baker games and two regular games, with the top two teams advancing to the State Finals at Jax 60 in Jackson. The singles tournament consists of six games, with the top seven bowlers advancing to the State Finals.

TIE-BREAKERS:

In team events any ties for first or second place will be broken. The tiebreaker is a two-game Baker competition – after which, if a tie still exists, the tiebreaker is a five-frame Baker competition. In singles event, ties for first and seventh place will be broken. The singles tiebreaker is a one game roll-off, and if a tie still exists, they will bowl two-frame roll-offs until the tie is broken.

SCHEDULE:

Boys will bowl first in team event on Friday; Girls will bowl first in singles event on Saturday.

Boys' Team Event: Friday, February 23, 2024

Check-In at 7:15 a.m. Coaches' Meeting at 7:45 a.m. Practice Begins at 8:00 a.m.

Girls' Team Event: Friday, February 23, 2024

Check-In at 12:45 p.m. Coaches' Meeting at 1:15 p.m. Practice Begins at 1:30 p.m.

Girls' Singles Event: Saturday, February 24, 2024

Check-In at 7:15 a.m. Coaches' Meeting at 7:45 a.m. Practice Begins at 8:00 a.m.

Boys' Singles Event: Saturday, February 24, 2024

Check-In at 12:15 p.m. Coaches' Meeting at 12:45 p.m. Practice Begins at 1:00 p.m.

LANE CONDITION:

All MHSAA post-season tournaments will be using the "Phantom II" oil pattern. Details of this pattern can be found on the MHSAA website.

WEATHER POLICY:

In the event of inclement weather, the tournament is subject to the MHSAA 60% policy: The event will go on as scheduled if at least 60% of the schools are present. It is important to remain in contact with tournament officials if your team is running late or will not be coming to the tournament.

If your team has any issues regarding weather or travel, contact Ryan Lomonaco at **616-813-2116**. You can call or text 24/7 on the weekend of the tournament.

EQUIPMENT:

Each bowler in the line-up may have no more than five bowling balls in the bowling center, with a total of two (2) balls maximum in the bowlers' area. Bowlers may use any of those five balls but cannot have additional equipment brought in beyond the five-ball maximum.

Teams will be provided with a paddock area for bowlers to store bowling balls and other equipment when not in use. Access to the paddock area will be limited to bowlers and coaches only. However, neither the MHSAA, Park Center Lanes nor Catholic Central High School is responsible for items lost, stolen or left in the paddock area, and bowlers are **strongly encouraged** not to keep items such as phones, tablets, electronics, or other valuables in the paddock.

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COACHING:

Each school team will be allowed admission for a maximum of two coaches for each gender. Identification badges will be provided at Check-In and must be worn. **Coaches are not permitted on the approach area, and coaching is permitted only between frames, not between the first and second ball.**

ADMISSION:

Admission will be \$7 each day. Pre-school age admitted free. No passes will be accepted. **Tickets must be purchased at: <https://gofan.co/app/school/MI10192?activity=Bowling>**

CONCESSIONS:

Park Center Lanes offers a wide selection of food and beverages throughout the day.

BAGS, AND OUTSIDE FOOD:

Absolutely NO outside food or beverages (Subway, Wendy's, etc.) or coolers are allowed in the bowling center. Water will be provided for athletes and spectators. Small purses and bags will be allowed, but no large bags or totes are allowed.

SEATING/CHAIRS:

As many seats as are practical will be provided for spectators. Spectators can bring their own chairs, but cannot bring any chairs with arms, ladders, camping chairs, or other devices that may pose a safety issue.

PARKING:

Free parking is available for cars at Park Center Lanes, and in an auxiliary lot; we will provide a shuttle for those parking in the auxiliary lot. Buses may park next to the football field at Wyoming Junior High School, which is located less than a half-mile away from Park Center, at 2125 Wrenwood St SW.

DRESS CODE:

Boys: Slacks are required. Jeans, cutoffs, shorts, sweatpants, or warm-up pants will not be allowed. Jerseys of either collared, quarter zip, V-neck, rib-lined or banded neckline designed for use as a bowling uniform are legal uniform tops. V-neck and crew neck jerseys must be made of some type of athletic performance fabric – not cotton. Cotton T-shirts and sweatshirts will not be allowed as legal uniform tops during competition.

Girls: Slacks, shorts, skorts or skirts will be allowed. Skirts, shorts and skorts must be at least fingertip length when extending the arm straight down to the side when standing straight up. Jeans, cutoffs, sweatpants, warm-up pants, or yoga/spandex pants will not be allowed. Jerseys of either collared, quarter zip, V-neck, rib-lined, or banded neckline designed for use as a bowling uniform are legal uniform tops. V-neck and crew neck jerseys must be made of some type of athletic performance fabric – not cotton. Cotton T-shirts and sweatshirts will not be allowed as legal uniform tops during competition.

Bowlers are not required to wear the same style of shirts or slacks, but similar uniforms are recommended. Jewelry is allowed. Hats, caps or any other headgear is prohibited. Headbands for hair retention and sweatbands are allowed. Religious dress is allowed with NO approval from the MHSAA required. Prior to competition, warm-ups (jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies) must be removed and may not be used in competition.

If a violation of the MHSAA Dress code/Uniform rule occurs, a warning will be given to the player and coach of the violating team. If at that time the dress code is not followed, a loss of bowling privileges and disqualification from the MHSAA Regionals or Finals will result.

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SPORTSMANSHIP:

Good sportsmanship for players and coaches is a must. Taunting, profanity, and intimidating conduct are not allowed. All MHSAA regulations regarding sportsmanship and disqualifying penalties as stated in Regulation IV, Section 3 will be followed. Players will not be allowed to approach to congratulate or celebrate the accomplishments of a fellow team member during bowling. Bowlers will not be allowed to enter an adjacent approach to celebrate or “run out” their delivery. Bowlers shall observe traditional bowling courtesy for bowler on adjacent lanes.

Cheers should be positive, and should not be directed at another team, or intended to distract or disturb fellow bowlers.

RULES OF COMPETITION:

Although the tournament is not sanctioned, it shall be subject to all MHSAA and USBC playing rules and specifications. In particular, note that bowlers may not alter the surface of the ball by using any abrasive or cleaner. Bowlers are allowed to clean their ball with a **dry towel**.

Bowlers may have up to two bowling balls in the bowlers' area; any additional bowling balls must be kept in the paddock area. Once competition begins, bowlers may not bring in any balls that were not already in the building - all bowling balls must be in the bowlers' area or paddock area once they begin competition.

Be aware of rules on balance holes. Also, a reminder that electronic devices are not allowed in the bowlers' area. Bowlers are not permitted to use listening devices such as wireless headphones or earbuds during competition.

Video recording devices such as iPads, tablets or smartphones may not be used by coaches during competition in the bowler's area for coaching purposes, nor can coaches or athletes have such devices in the bowler's area. Coaches are permitted to use electronic devices outside the bowlers' area (for example, to utilize a scoring app on an iPad), but may not do in the bowlers' area, and may not do so for the purposes of watching or recording video.

PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE:

On both days of competition, bowlers will be given 15 minutes of practice time. However, if bowlers would like to practice on the tournament condition beforehand, Park Center has arranged practice times prior to the day of competition. Teams may reserve lanes at one or more of the following times:

Monday, February 12, 12:30-2:30pm

Tuesday, February 13, 7:00-9:00pm (*limited!*)

Friday, February 16, 3:30-5:30pm

Monday, February 19, 12:30-2:30pm

Tuesday, February 20, 7:00-9:00pm (*limited!*)

Practice lanes will **not** be available on the Thursday (2/22) or Friday (2/23) prior to competition.

The “Phantom II” pattern will be put down prior to practice. Coaches **must** reserve lanes in advance. The cost of practice is \$50 per pair of lanes, which includes unlimited bowling on two lanes for the two-hour block. To reserve lanes, call Ryan at Park Center Lanes: 616-532-2313.

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