



2019 MHSAA BOWLING FINALS



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BOWLING FINALS, THIS IS THE D-3 COMPETING SCHOOL
GUIDE FOR COMPETITION AT NORTHWAY LANES**

March 1 - March 2, 2019

To: MHSAA Bowling Division 3 Team & Individual Finals Qualifiers
From: Cody Inglis, Assistant Director
Re: 2019 Finals Information

Congratulations on qualifying for the MHSAA Division 3 Bowling Finals March 1 & March 2 at Northway Lanes in Muskegon. Attached is information regarding time schedules, hotels and format, as well as directions and parking policies. Additional information is listed below - please communicate to parents & athletes. For additional questions, please call our office at 517-332-5046 or e-mail at: cody@mhsaa.com

Rosters & Entry – All team & individual Finals qualifiers that advanced from their respective Regional are automatically “entered” into the MHSAA Finals Bowling Tournament. There is no roster or lineup to send to the MHSAA in advance. Schools are responsible for the eligibility of their athletes.

Alcohol/Tobacco policy - Use of alcohol or tobacco, including e-cigarettes or other smoking devices, is prohibited at MHSAA tournament events by players, coaches and spectators.

Admission/Parking – Tickets for the Finals will be \$8 for each day of the competition at Northway Lanes. Spectators should enter through the front (main) entrance of the facility. Parking is free of charge. Coaches & participants should enter through east entrance. Two coaches for each team are allowed free admission. **Please remind spectators they are not allowed to bring food or beverages into the Finals Bowling Centers.**

Directions – Northway Lanes is located at ***1751 Evanston Ave, Muskegon, MI 49442.***

Entrance & Check-in Area – Bowlers and coaches must enter through the main entrance where they will be directed to the check in and registration area. Each qualifying team and/or singles qualifier(s) will receive a packet with the Finals program and ID lanyards for the head coach & assistant. The lanyards will allow two coaches from each team to have coaching privileges in the bowlers area.

Coaching Supervision – All student athletes **must** be accompanied by an adult coach as designated by the school. Athletes will not be checked in or allowed participation without adult coaching and supervision as required by MHSAA Regulation II, Section 2. Only two coaches will be allowed in the bowler area for each team.

Uniforms/Dress Code – Athletes and coaches will be required to follow the MHSAA bowling uniform/dress standards. Caps, headgear, blue jeans, t-shirts or cutoffs are not allowed. Female bowlers will be allowed shorts or skirts of appropriate length. Yoga pants are not allowed. **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 Finals will result.** Prior to competition, warm ups (jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies) must be removed and may not be used in competition. Coaches must also adhere to the MHSAA uniform/dress code regulations.

Format/ Pairings – The Finals format in singles will begin with a 6 game qualifying block, with the top 16 bowlers in each gender advancing to the match play round. Match play will be a two games total pins format with pairings and brackets based on qualifying round scores.

In Team competition, the 18 teams in each gender will begin with a qualifying block consisting of eight Baker games and two regular games. The top 8 scores based on total pinfall will advance to the match game round consisting of one regular game and two Baker games. Pairings and brackets will be based on qualifying round scores. (See time schedules)

Hotels/Meals – A list of area hotels is attached. **Daily lunch and continental breakfast with beverage will be provided for all bowlers and coaches each day at the Finals.** Schools and athletes are responsible for their own housing costs.

Fees/Schedule – All Finals lane fees will be paid by the MHSAA. Time schedules are attached.

Practice – Lanes will be available for practice on a limited basis Thursday during the day for teams and on Friday afternoon for singles participants not in the team event. Practice lane fees must be paid by schools and/or athletes. Access to lanes for practice will be coordinated by the Northway Lanes bowling center counter staff. Participants are asked to limit practice to no more than 3 games per bowler. Although not strictly prohibited, it is recommended that coaches not bowl with students during practice. There will be ample warm-up time prior to each round of the Finals.

Lane Conditions – The Finals lane condition will be the Kegel “Allen Pattern” as announced in the fall. It is a 39-foot pattern. More information about the Allen Pattern can be found online at the MHSAA Bowling website. Coaches and bowlers are reminded that conditions are not absolute and the base pattern is subject to humidity, lanes, etc.

Lane Assignments – Lane assignments are determined in advance and will be in the team packet received at registration.

Substitutions – The MHSAA substitution rule will apply. Coaches who make changes to their team roster prior to the Finals may do so at check-in. There are no replacements allowed for singles qualifiers who are not able to bowl in the singles Finals.

Pace of Play – Coaches must inform their players of the importance of being ready to bowl at their turn. Intentional slow play will not be tolerated. Warnings will be given with possible disqualification if problems persist. A one-lane courtesy rule will be observed.

Paddock/Equipment – All equipment/bags, etc. will be stored in the paddock area. The paddock area is supervised, but bowlers and coaches should exercise good judgment in leaving valuables in bowling bags. Small padlocks for bags are recommended and care taken to not leave property scattered or away from the team’s assigned area.

Cell Phones/Pagers – Bowlers and coaches may not have cell phone or pagers on their person or used in the bowling area. Coaches may not use tablets/Smartphones in the bowlers area.

Sportsmanship – MHSAA Sportsmanship Regulations and Regulations prohibiting taunting will be followed and enforced. It is imperative that coaches and players understand that spontaneous emotion and positive cheering for teammates is entirely appropriate and welcome. However, any rehearsed and orchestrated chants and cheers that are designed to intimidate and disrupt other teams and bowlers will not be allowed. Tournament management will be the sole judge of appropriate conduct, warnings, penalties and/or disqualifications. We need the cooperation of coaches and bowlers to have an exciting event with great enthusiasm and energy within the parameters of good sportsmanship and respect for each other. **Crowding of the approach will not be allowed by opposing teams. Only two bowlers will be allowed standing during a match, if seating is available. One that is bowling and one that is on deck.**

2019 Division 3 Bowling Finals Time Schedule – Northway Lanes

Friday – Team Competition – Time Schedule

7:00 a.m. – Check-in & registration (bowlers go immediately to starting lanes)

7:45 a.m. – Coaches meeting

8:00 a.m. – Opening ceremonies

8:10 a.m. – Warm-up period (15 minutes)

8:25 a.m. – Qualifying round begins, eight Baker games followed by two regular games. Change lanes after each regular game, change lanes after each Baker set (two games), 18 girls teams, 18 boys teams.

12:30 p.m. – Lunch & condition lanes

1:15 p.m. – Top eight teams in each gender begin Quarterfinal match game round, two Baker games, one regular game.

2:45 p.m. – Semifinal round match games, four girls teams, four boys teams.

4:15 p.m. – Championship match for final two girls teams and final two boys teams.

Saturday – Singles Competition – Time Schedule

7:00 a.m. – Check-in & registration (bowlers go immediately to starting lanes)

7:45 a.m. – Coaches meeting

8:00 a.m. – Opening ceremonies

8:10 a.m. – Warm-up period (15 minutes)

8:25 a.m. – Singles qualifying round begins for 60 boys & 60 girls, 6 regular games, five bowlers on a pair, change lanes after each game. Top 16 advance to second round.

12:00 p.m. – Lunch & re-condition lanes

1:00 p.m. - Second round match games begin, two games total pins, 16 boys & 16 girls, one match per pair, five minute warm-up.

1:45 p.m. (approx.) – Quarterfinal round - eight boys & eight girls, two games total pins, one match per pair.

2:30 p.m. (approx.) – Semifinal round for four boys & four girls, two games total pins, one match per pair.

3:15 p.m. (approx.) – Finals for boys & girls, two games total pins, one match per pair.

MUSKEGON LODGING

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott

Muskegon – Norton Shores

1520 E Mt Garfield Rd.

Muskegon, MI 49444

231-799-0100

Special bowling rate: \$109.00

Hampton Inn Muskegon

1401 E. Ellis Rd.

Muskegon, MI 49444

231-799-8333

Special bowling rate: \$109.00

Baymont Inn and Suites Muskegon

4677 Harvey St.

Muskegon, MI 49444

231-798-0220

Quality Inn and Suites

1675 E. Sherman Blvd.

Muskegon, MI 49444

231-739-9092

Rodeway Inn Muskegon

4620 Airline Rd.

Muskegon, MI 49444

231-733-2511

Shoreline Inn and Conference Center

750 Terrace Point Rd.

Muskegon, MI 49440

231-727-8483