



### **Seton Covid Protocols**

In order to help protect our players, coaches and guest while at the Seton, we are implementing a COVID-19 policy for this year's tournament. Below are the guidelines that have been established along with protocols to allow for social distancing within the Sting Center that we ask all to follow.

Live streaming will be available for purchase during the week (Mon-Fri) at the Milwaukee Sting Center. While there is no sound (it would slow the stream), there is a visible scoreboard and team names with a dedicated camera for each court mounted on the walls. Please check back on the Seton website and social media for updates on pricing and links 1-2 weeks prior to the tournament. There will be no streaming of the Final Four at CMH.

Additionally, to help control the number of people in the Sting Center at any time, all players and coaches are not allowed in the facility until 30 minutes before their scheduled matches. Parents/spectators are not allowed in the facility until 20 minutes before their scheduled match, or until the prior match on their court has concluded and both the benches and spectator area have been cleared. Seton committee and admission staff will be on-hand to assist with timing.

Spectators must leave immediately after the conclusion of their match. Coaches should designate a meeting place outside the facility for families to meet with their players to allow us to clear the court and spectator areas. No team meetings are allowed in the facility after matches are concluded. Players & spectators are not allowed to remain in the Milwaukee Sting Center after their matches to allow for social distancing.

**Monday Night Only:** Boys teams and their spectators that are on a bye for a match time must leave the court area. A single parent or coach may keep an eye on the court to tell the others when to return for the next round. Tournament staff will help route teams to areas off the court that are available.

### **Guidelines during the tournament:**

- 1) Fully Vaccinated guests do not need to wear a mask but are strongly encouraged to do so.
- 2) Unvaccinated guests, aged 12 and above, are required to wear a facemask to help protect themselves and others from the potential spread of the virus. Coaches and players may remove masks only in the court area. Unvaccinated players and coaches are required to wear facemasks outside of the court area.
- 3) Anyone who is sick is prohibited from entering the building. Anyone who has not been vaccinated and who has been in recent close contact with someone who tested positive for the Covid-19 virus is prohibited from entering the building.
- 4) Until vaccines are made available to children under the age of 12, we require spectators aged 11 and under to wear a mask.
- 5) Social distancing to the greatest extent possible is expected.
- 6) **Capacity limits** may be enacted and enforced. Limits will be posted and emailed to coaches/schools if necessary.
- 7) All guidelines are subject to change as necessary during the tournament.

**Enforcement** - The requirement to properly wear a mask if unvaccinated and also for those under age 11 shall be enforced. By entering the facility all persons agree to abide by these requirements and guidelines. Anyone refusing to follow the stated rules/guidelines will be asked to leave the facility with no refund.

### Final Four @ Catholic Memorial High School

In addition to the above guidelines, the format for the Final Four will be adjusted to allow for a single match in a gym, allowing for more crowd capacity while still social distancing. This may include moving up/back start times on Saturday or using both gyms instead of side-by-side courts. Sunday's matches at Catholic Memorial include the championship will be played in the InPro gym and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place match in the Julia Weber gym at the normal times. Once both matches are completed awards for all Final Four teams will be given in the InPro gym. Instructions will be given by the Seton committee on-site. We will be asking spectators for Final Four matches to remain outside the facility until spectators from the previous wave have cleared the area.

#### Game Modifications for Elementary School Volleyball– Seton Adaptations

##### (Based on Metro Volleyball Conference – 2021 Season)

The following game modifications will be implemented for the 2021 volleyball season:

1. Coaches will be required to complete and turn-in a Team List each night they play. The Team List will have names and contact information for all players & coaches on their team. Any player/coach who is absent should be crossed off the list. These sheets must be turned in to the Seton Committee upon check-in each night you play. Teams without a Team List will not be allowed to compete.
2. The pre-match conference will be held with one coach from each team and the referee only (no players). Coaches should wish each other "good luck" verbally, no handshakes.
3. A coin flip will be done to determine serve for the first set at the pre-match conference.
4. A second coin flip will be done to determine serve prior to the fifth set with a coach from each team and the referee, only if a deciding set
5. Teams will not switch sides. They will randomly choose a side of the court when they arrive for warm-ups and remain on that same side for all matches.
6. Teams will not do handshakes:
  - a. Pre match, the starting players and libero if applicable, will line up at the end line and when beckoned forward by the official, will proceed to the 10-foot line and wave to the opposing team and then take their positions on the court.
  - b. Post-match, after the referee signals the end of the match, teams will wave to their opponent in good sportsmanship from wherever they are on the court and then proceed to their benches.
7. Officials will not start matches early.

All teams and coaches will leave the volleyball court area as soon as their match has ended. Post-match team huddles should be brief and limited to simple instructions regarding their progress in the tournament. Long team meetings or discussions are not to be held in the facility after a match has been completed.