

Calgary Alternative Athletic Association 2019 Badminton Tournament

Information Package

The following information is provided to all coaches and players who will be participating in the CAAA Junior High Badminton preliminary tournaments at Sunridge Badminton Centre on:

- *Tuesday, April 9th (Singles Prelim - 4:00-8:00)*
- *Tuesday, April 16th (Doubles Prelim - 4:00-8:00)*
- *Monday, April 29th (CAAA Championships - 9:00-5:00)*

****ENTRIES & DEADLINE****

Team submission lists need to be completed on the Google document *emailed by Olivier Audette by date and time indicated*. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. PERIOD.** Athletic directors please send the entries not your coaches. If I am dealing with an issue for a particular school it will be with the AD.

Prelim Singles and Doubles Due Dates: *Monday, April 1st @ 3:30pm*

CAAA Championship Due Date: *Friday, April 19th @ 3:30pm*

Max Entries: 4 for the Singles and 3 for Doubles Prelims. The **Championships are 2/Category (no alternates)**

Exception: CGS can have up to 8 entries for the girls singles prelims and 9 girls teams for doubles (6 girls doubles, 3 for mixed doubles). CGS can have up to 4 entries for the Championship Girls Singles and Doubles event. Only 2 teams for mixed doubles.

General Tournament Overview

Preliminaries: It will be a double elimination tournament. Once a player loses twice, they are eliminated from the tournament and are free to go (provided their coach/supervisor lets them). There is no large ceremony at the end. Top 3 from each category will receive a ribbon. If a player does not show up when called, there will be a 2nd and then 3rd call (roughly 30 seconds at each call), and then a forfeit.

The CAAA championships: This will be either a round robin (less than 8) or a pool and semi-final/final playoffs (8 or more). Courts will be numbered and a silent draw will be used (e.g., Grade 9 Girls doubles will play all games on a specific court.) The Order of Play List will be given to a supervisor at each court (each school will be asked to provide one). Missing players will result in a "First Call, Second Call and Final Call – at which point they will be forfeited. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 players in each category at the end of each grade level's tournament. Team aggregate banner and sportsmanship awards will also occur at the end of the grade 9 tournament.

Grade 7's will play from 9:00-11:30

Grade 8's will play from 11:45-2:15

Grade 9's will play from 2:30-5:00

Please do your best to limit the players at Sunridge to only those who will be playing at the assigned times. Parking and the seating areas in the center are limited.

Equipment

All players are responsible to provide their **own racquets and warm up shuttles**. Green-banded shuttlecocks will be used for match play.

Volunteers

Each school is asked to provide at least one volunteer to assist with the day. The assignment of volunteer duties will occur before the actual tournaments.

Supervision / Marshalling

It is very important that coaches respect the integrity of the tournament by staying with players who are not in games. Coaching while games are in progress is a violation of the rules. Participants will need to demonstrate proper conduct during the games and be reminded of their "ambassadors role" while representing their school.

Pre-competition Player Expectations

Coaches are responsible for knowing where their players are at all times so when called upon, competitors are ready to commence play immediately. Players, once called, are to proceed directly to the court. Please avoid running on courts that are in play!

Competition Expectations

There is a half hour of warm-up or rallying permitted prior to play. Each school will get one court assigned for warm up. Once games start, no more warmups are allowed. Upon arriving at the court, players are to use a racquet spin or bird drop to determine side and serve. Games commence immediately. **Games are played to 15. A player / team does need to win by two points, to a max of 21.** Players are to announce the score prior to each serve (regulation #2). This is to prevent disputes over the final score.

Post-competition Expectations

BOTH players are to report the result to the scorer immediately upon the game's completion (regulation #7). Players are to then return to the supervised area to await their next match.

Awards

At the conclusion of each level of competition, players will be marshaled to an area adjacent to the scorer's table for the announcement of final results. Both individual event winners and the team winner will be awarded. The winner is determined by the total wins earned by its players in all events. ***See tie breaking procedures below.*** Following the completion of the Grade 7 tournament the CAAA Jr. High Aggregate Badminton Championship will be awarded.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. Schools are to enter a complete team in each grade if possible. Should this not be possible, a school may enter a portion of the above (i.e. a grade 7 team only or some of each in each grade level). A student may play at a grade level higher than his/her own, but not lower, and may only play in one level in one event.
2. If a player cannot show up for the tournament, a replacement player may be entered, but needs to notify the Commissioner before the tournament begins. Replacements for players after the tournament has begun is not allowed.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The following rules/regulations are accepted for CAAA league and tournament play.

1. Proper dress is the school's gym strip in team colors or badminton whites.
2. Players score their own games. Court etiquette is to announce the score prior to each serve. Failure to announce the score prior to serving will result in a re-serve, not a loss of serve. If the serve is played by the receiver, the game shall continue.
3. **Coaches are encouraged to review with their team, the rules pertaining to serving.**
4. Players are expected to call their own faults and lines. However, if a problem occurs, contact the official's immediately. Do not wait until the game is over.
5. Once play has commenced, there are no time-outs or substitutions, except injury.
6. **Coaching is not permitted during games.**
7. The participants from both teams must be present when the final results are reported to the official scorer.
8. The first person/team to reach **15 points** wins the game and scores **15 points**. The loser receives the number of points corresponding to their score.
9. Individual standing to be determined by each individual/team's win-loss record.
 - a. In the event of a tie, the result of the game(s) between the schools tied shall be used to determine the winner.
 - b. In the event of a 3-way tie, the cumulative points scored in games played between the 3 affected teams will be used to break the tie.
10. The grade level / aggregate standing to be determined by the 9-7-5-3-2-1 point system **for a draw of at least 8 players/teams, and 7-5-3-2-1 will be used with draws of less than 8 players/teams.**
 - a. In the event of a tie, the gold medals earned in all tournaments will be used to break the tie, **followed by silver and then bronze if necessary.**
11. The teacher in charge of the courts or the Site Commissioner will act as referee.
12. **If a player does not show for a match at the Championships, their team will receive a loss of 1 point in team aggregate for each match they miss (unless it is due to injury and they cannot play).**
13. All other rules as per CAAA.

Badminton Service Rule

Three components of a legal serve:

1. Entire racquet head must be below the hand (see illustration in Rulebook)
 - a. Elbow is below shoulder
 - b. Hand is below elbow
 - c. Racquet head is below the hands
2. Shuttlecock must be contacted below the waist. The waist is defined as the waistband of the shorts.
3. The serve must be made with one motion (i.e. no faking) and present the racquet first and then the shuttle prior to serving.

Potential Problem Area

The backhand serve, although effective, is often performed illegally by young players. It is important that all coaches monitor this with their players during practices and games.