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Dear Athletic Directors and Volleyball Coaches,

Thank you for participating in Luther Preparatory School's invitational volleyball tournament on Saturday, October 12th. This letter contains the tournament format, schedule, and rules. Please read the rules carefully, especially noting rules 2-3 and 5-8, which lay out the scoring, timing, and substitution rules for the tournament. All games are played in the Luther Prep gym.

The 15 teams are divided into four pools. Each team plays the other teams in their pool. After pool play, teams will be placed into one of four brackets – Gold (1st in your pool), Silver (2nd in your pool), Bronze (3rd in your pool), and White (4th in your pool). Bracket play will determine the winner of each bracket.

The gym opens at 8:00am for general warmups. There are no court assignments for warmups – please share court space as necessary. The first round of games begins at 8:30am. There is no warmup time scheduled in between games except for teams playing their first game of the day. Those teams receive 3 minutes of on-court warmup time. Be prepared to start your matches early.

Please note the following items:

1. The entry fee of \$50 per team can be mailed to LPS or brought to the tournament. Checks can be made payable to Luther Preparatory School.
2. Lineups do not need to be submitted.
3. Concessions will be available during the tournament. Please inform your athletes and fans that the canteen is a snack bar, not a health food stand.
4. The Phoenix Room will have a hospitality room with complimentary snacks and drinks for coaches and officials. Find the Phoenix Room by going down the stairs near the elevator.
5. Modest admission fees will be charged for spectators: family = \$5, high school and older = \$2, 8th grade and under = free, 55 and older = free.
6. Guided tours of campus are available to teams, families, or individuals. Posted signs will provide instructions on how to request a tour or learn more about Luther Prep. I will also be available to answer any questions about LPS, its purpose, and joining the LPS family.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the information below.

Serving Christ with you,

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Below is the tournament schedule. The morning consists of pool play. After pool play, each team will be placed into the Gold, Silver, Bronze, or White bracket. Brackets will be posted outside the gym by the trophy cases. Gold, Silver, and Bronze will be 4 team brackets. White will use a 3 team round robin format.

Pool A

1. Eastside, Madison
2. St. John's, Watertown
3. St. Paul's, Fort Atkinson
4. St. Paul's, Ixonia

Pool C

1. St. John's, Waterloo
2. Zion, Columbus
3. Birds of Pray, Jefferson / Helenville / Fort Atkinson

Pool B

1. St. Paul's, Lake Mills
2. St. Mark's, Watertown
3. St. Matthew's, Oconomowoc
4. St. Stephen's, Beaver Dam

Pool D

1. St. John's, Juneau
2. St. John's, Baraboo
3. Our Redeemer, Madison
4. TSL, Watertown

Time	Court #1	Court #2	Stage	
8:30am	A 1 v 4	B 1 v 4	D 1 v 4	Pool Play
9:00am	D 2 v 3	A 2 v 3	C 2 v 3	
9:30am	B 2 v 3	D 3 v 1	A 3 v 1	
10:00am	B 3 v 1	C 3 v 1	A 4 v 2	
10:30am	A 1 v 2	B 4 v 2	D 4 v 2	
11:00am	C 1 v 2	D 1 v 2	B 1 v 2	
11:30am	D 3 v 4	A 3 v 4	B 3 v 4	
12:00pm	Break – Brackets are finalized and posted			
12:15pm	Gold Game 1	Silver Game 1	Bronze Game 1	Bracket Play
5 minutes after previous match	Gold Game 2	Silver Game 2	White Game 1	
5 minutes after previous match	Gold Game 3 (3 rd Place)	Bronze Game 2	White Game 2	
5 minutes after previous match	Silver Game 3 (3 rd Place)	Bronze Game 3 (3 rd Place)	White Game 3	
5 minutes after previous match	Gold Game 4 (Championship)	Silver Game 4 (Championship)	Bronze Game 4 (Championship)	

Luther Prep Volleyball Invitational Rules

Pool Play

1. Warm ups are 8:00-8:25am or before a team's first match (at least 3 minutes of on-court time).
2. Pool play matches will be best 2 out of 3 sets played to 17, win by 2, with a cap at 19. A third set, if necessary, will be played to 11, win by 2, cap at 13.
 - a. Match results, not individual sets, will be used to determine bracket seeding.
 - b. If a team wins in 2 sets, the third set may be played if adequate time remains. Unnecessary third sets do not count towards a match's final result. The tournament director may skip or shorten unnecessary third sets.
3. There is a 27 minute time limit on all pool play matches.
 - a. The 27 minute clock will run continuously, even between sets.
 - b. The 27 minute clock can be stopped only when...
 - i. A timeout is called. (Huddle must be broken by 60 seconds. Clock restarts after the 60 seconds are up whether the teams are ready to play or not. Officials will enforce this.)
 - ii. The official deems it necessary to stop the clock.
 - c. When the 27 minute buzzer sounds signaling the end of the match...
 - i. The match is over unless there is a live ball at the time. That point will continue until the ball is dead.
 - ii. The score will end as is. In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken with one additional point played. No timeouts may be used.
 - iii. If a third set is needed and the time limit has expired, a third set will be played to 5, win by 1, with a cap at 7. No timeouts may be used.
 - d. **IMPORTANT:** If matches end early, we will start the next match early.
4. Team listed first in the schedule is the home team and will serve first in the 1st and 3rd set.
5. No libero will be used.
6. Rally scoring is used for all matches.
7. Each team will have one 60 second timeout per set.
8. Subbing: Teams may use a rotation of more than six players, maintaining the same order. This provides an opportunity for all players to get ample playing time.
9. WIAA rules govern everything else.

Bracket Play

1. Teams will be placed into one of four brackets according to their final pool ranking.
 - a. Tie breakers from pool play (listed in order of use): Head to head match up, points allowed by tied teams, points scored by tied teams, coin flip with coaches.
2. There is no time limit on bracket play matches. There will be 2 minutes between sets.
3. Matches will be best 2 out of 3 sets played to 17, win by 2, with a cap at 19. A third set, if necessary, will be played to 11, win by 2, cap at 13. Unnecessary third sets will not be played.
4. The subbing, timeout, and libero rules remain the same as during pool play.
5. Home team will be the top team in the bracket and will start with the serve in the first set.
6. A coin flip will be used to determine serve in the 3rd set.

General Items

1. LPS will supply volleyballs for matches and warmups.
2. Locker rooms are available. Please do not leave anything in the locker rooms. LPS is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
3. Players must play in gym shoes, not street shoes.

Below is a sample bracket. The sample is the GOLD Bracket, featuring the 1st place teams from each pool. The SILVER bracket will have the 2nd place team from each pool, BRONZE will have the 3rd place team from each pool, and WHITE will have the 4th place team from each pool.

Sample GOLD Bracket

