

# **CAPITAL VALLEY CONFERENCE FLAG FOOTBALL BY-LAWS**

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## **Section 1 - Starting Date**

- 1.1 The first day of practice, first day to wear equipment, first scrimmage and first game is determined by the Section.
- 1.2 A coaches meeting shall be held prior to the first allowable contest.

## **Section 2 - Official Rules**

- 2.1 The official rule book shall be the National Federation of State High School Association rule book.

## **Section 3 - Official Ball**

- 3.1 Any regulation football may be used for league play.

## **Section 4 - Contacts**

- 4.1 The number of contacts and scrimmages allowed are determined by the Section.

## **Section 5 - Game Times**

- 5.1 Game times shall be indicated on the officially adopted league schedule.

## **Section 6 - Game Results**

- 6.1 The home school shall be responsible to notify Max Preps with game results.

## **Section 7 - Change in Classification**

- 7.1 Refer to Section by-law

## **Section 8 - Supplemental Game Personnel**

8.1 The home school shall provide qualified personnel to operate the game clock and scoreboard.

8.1.1 In the event of a game clock failure the official time shall be kept on the field by one of the officials.

8.1.2 If the official does not keep the time, a representative of both schools shall work together to keep the time.

8.2 The home school shall provide qualified personnel to operate the down and distance markers.

8.3 The home school shall provide a qualified public-address announcer for Sophomore and Varsity games.

## **Section 9 - Championship**

9.1 The varsity team with the greatest number of wins in league competition shall be designated as League Champion. In the event of a tie, all teams tied for the best record shall be recognized as League Champions.

9.2 No champion will be recognized below the varsity level.

## **Section 10 - Playoffs**

10.1 The number of teams qualifying for participation in the playoffs shall be determined by the Section.

10.2 In the event of a tie for a position in the Section Playoffs, the following tie Breakers for qualifying spots, seeding and extra All Conference slots. will be used.

10.2.1 The first tie breaker will be head to head competition.

10.3 If head to head competition does not break the tie, the following will be applied.

10.3.1 For a two way tie for any place.

10.2.1.1 The teams will play a play in game. The winner will be the higher seed, the loser will be the lower seed.

10.3.2 For a three way tie for any place.

10.3.2.1 If head to head competition does not break the tie, two play in games will be played on a neutral site.

10.3.2.2 Use Max Preps rankings to rank the teams in order. The highest ranked team shall sit out the first game. The two lower ranked teams shall play a game. The loser becomes the third seed.

10.3.2.3 The two remaining teams will play a game, the winner becomes the higher seed, the loser the second higher seed.

10.3.3 If there is not sufficient time to play the games, Max Preps Power Rankings shall determine the seeding order.

## **Section 11 - Miscellaneous - Activity Specific**

11.1 The home team shall be responsible for securing all necessary medical personnel.

11.2 Freshman home league games will be at the same site as varsity games.

11.3 The home team shall have the choice of which half the field they will use for pre-game and halftime warm-up. The visitors shall be informed prior to entering the field.

11.4 Press passes issued by school newspapers or yearbooks shall not be honored.

11.5 The home team shall retain all revenues produced by the game.

11.6 The host school will provide seating for visitor's fans behind the visiting team bench and for home fans behind the home team bench.

## **Section 12 - All Conference Selection**

12.1 The football coordinator shall call a meeting, no later than Tuesday evening following the completion of the league season. Coaches shall be informed of the meeting, time and location at least a week in advance. Notification shall be by phone and/or Email or in writing.

12.2 Schools shall be awarded positions on the All-Conference team in accordance to their finish in League Competition. Each school shall make their own determination as to who will be placed on the team from their school. When there is a tie(s), if there is an extra All Conference slot, all tie breakers will be applied in order. The team who earns the higher slot will be awarded the extra slot. Should the tie breakers not resolve the issue, coaches will vote on individuals nominated. If a tie exists after one ballot, a coin flip will decide the issue.

12.2.1 A total of **fourteen** positions shall be selected.

12.2.2 The automatic and at large positions shall be as follows:

#### EIGHT TEAM LEAGUE

| <u>Finish</u> | <u>Selections</u> |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 1st Place     | 4                 |
| 2nd Place     | 3                 |
| 3rd Place     | 2                 |
| 4th Place     | 1                 |
| 5th Place     | 1                 |
| 6th Place     | 1                 |
| 7th Place     | 1                 |
| 8th Place     | 1                 |
| At Large      | 0                 |

#### SEVEN TEAM LEAGUE

| <u>Finish</u> | <u>Selections</u> |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 1st Place     | 4                 |
| 2nd Place     | 3                 |
| 3rd Place     | 2                 |
| 4th Place     | 1                 |
| 5th Place     | 1                 |
| 6th Place     | 1                 |
| 7th Place     | 1                 |
| At Large      | 1                 |

12.2.2.1 Coaches will select the At Large Positions through a ranking system.

12.2.2.1.1 If a tie exists for any place in the league standings the total number of automatic qualifiers shall be added together and divided by the number of teams tied.

12.2.2.1.2 If the total number of automatic positions total does not come out even, at large positions shall be used bring the total to a number divisible by the number of teams tied.

12.2.2.1.3 The number of available at large positions shall be reduced by the number of positions used to adjust the ties.

12.2.2.2 Each school may nominate a number corresponding to the number of at large positions available.

12.2.2.3 Coaches will rank every player nominated starting from 1 for the best player numerically through the last player nominated. Coaches will rank their own players.

12.2.2.4 The Coordinator shall total the numbers. The players with the lowest numbers will be added to the All-Conference team.

12.2.2.5 In the event of a tie(s), coaches will vote.

12.2.2.5.1 If the vote does not break the tie, the tie breakers used for playoffs shall be applied.

12.2.2.5.2 If the tie breakers do not break the tie a coin flip shall determine.

12.3.1 Each school shall have one vote.

12.3.2 A school may vote for its own candidate.

12.4 Each school will receive two Second Team positions.

12.5 All conference selections shall be forwarded to the league commissioner and sent to the media for release.

12.6 No all-conference team shall be selected below the varsity level.

12.7 In the event a coach does not attend the All-conference meeting.

12.7.1 They may provide the coordinator with the names of the automatic qualifiers. Those students will be included on the All-Conference team.

12.7.2 They may send nominations for at large berths and special award consideration

12.7.3 They will not be able to participate in any vote taken at the meeting.

12.8 In the event a coach does not attend the meeting and does not forward the coordinator the names of the automatic qualifiers.

12.8.1 Those slots will be reserved for the school.

12.8.2 The name of the automatic qualifier will be added to the team when the league commissioner receives the name from the Athletic Director or administrator.