

The Boys will follow the National Federation of State High School Associations 2019 Boys Lacrosse Rules except as modified below.

Current 9th Graders are not eligible to participate in the Scarecrow Tournament.

- 1) # & Length of Games: Each team will play 3 games. All games will be two 20 minute running time halves. If the score is within 2 goals, the last minute will be stop time. Note: Games CAN end in ties. There will be an attendant at each field keeping game time, score and penalty time.
- 2) This is not a play down tournament. Standings will be kept for each division and champions will be crowned based on points: Win = 3 points Tie=1 point Tie Breaker = 1) Head-to-Head 2) Goal Differential (10 Max) 3) Least Goals Against
- 3) Advancing the ball: There will be NO twenty or ten second counts in all divisions--NO delay for failing to advance in either the defensive or offensive half of the field.
- 4) Body checking: No Body checking for 2028/29 division. Players are expected to play the ball and NOT the man when the ball is loose. For the 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027 - body checking is permitted ONLY against a player in possession of the ball. No take out checks are permitted by any player at any level. DEFINITION A takeout check occurs when a player lowers his head or shoulder with the force and intent to take out (put on the ground/injure) the other player. NO head shots. The referee has the discretion to eject any player in violation.
- 5) Long Sticks are permitted for all ages.
- 6) Offensive Stalling: a) Any team that is withholding the ball from play may be given a "Stalling Warning" and required to "keep it in the box" b) Teams that are leading the game must keep the ball in its attack area during the last two- minutes of the game
- 7) Time Serving Penalties Personal and Technical Fouls: All time serving Personal and Technical Fouls will result in a 90 and 45 second penalty for the offended team.
- 8) Code of Conduct Violations: In addition to the Federation or the US Lacrosse rules, any player, coach or anyone associated with the team who violates the Code of Conduct will be subject to a Warning, Ejection from a Game or Ejection from the Tournament depending on the severity of the infraction. Any player ejected from a game will not be allowed to participate in the next scheduled game. Any player ejected from the tournament will not be allowed to participate in any remaining games in the tournament.
- 9) No team time outs Officials may take a time out at any time to settle a game down. (the clock should be stopped during officials time outs)
- 10) Seven Goal Rule: A seven goal rule will be used for all games. As long as a team has a 7 goal lead, the opposing team will have the option to receive the ball at the center line following the goal or facing off.
- 11) Bench: Each team is responsible for bringing their water to the tournament. Each coach is requested to ensure that the bench area is picked up after each game.
- 12) Resolution of problems or disputes: The Tournament Director (in consultation with the Boys Head Official, if required) will make all final rulings/decisions on any and all problems or disputes