

2023 Metro League 3A Girls Soccer Playoffs

October 24, 2023 – November 1, 2023

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General Information: The purpose of the Metro League 3A Girls Soccer Tournament is to determine a *league champion* and qualify our highest finishing teams into the WIAA State Tournament. Per allocations, four (4) teams will advance out of the league tournament – the top three finishers will be seeded directly into the State bracket, while the 4th place finisher will advance to a winner-to-state match against a KingCo school.

Tournament Policies and Regulation: The tournament shall be governed by the WIAA rules and regulations, Metro, SeaKing District 2 policy, and NHFS Rules. Mike Wentzel (Ingraham High School) will act as Tournament Director and Sam Reed (Seattle Preparatory School) will serve as Assistant Tournament Director. The Tournament Directors will be empowered to make decisions deemed necessary that are not specifically addressed in these instructions. Any item for consideration by the Tournament Committee must be submitted to the Tournament Director or the local Site manager.

Tournament Director: Mike Wentzel, Athletic Director, Ingraham

Email: mjwentzel@seattleschools.org

Assistant Director: Sam Reed, Athletic Director, Seattle Prep

Email: sreed@seaprep.org

Tournament Committee: If a protest occurs and a ruling is required, then the Tournament Director will assemble a Tournament Committee, which will consist of three of the following:

1. Head Official or Designee
2. Tournament Director
3. Assistant Tournament Director
4. Pat McCarthy, Executive Director of Athletics, Seattle Public Schools

Bracket: Live bracket can be found [here](#).

Admissions: For matches played at Memorial Stadium, all spectators except children under 6 are required to pay an admissions fee. Please communicate the information to your fans prior to the tournament so they will come to the tournament prepared to pay the admissions. Tickets will be sold online through [Seattle Public Schools' Hometown Ticketing site](#). Online ticketing fees may apply. All proceeds go directly to the Metro League.

Ticket Prices:

Adults, Student w/out ASB	\$9.00
Students W/ASB	\$6.00
Seniors & Elem.	\$6.00
Under 6	Free

Cheerleaders in uniform will be admitted free.

Passes: WIAA, WOA, District 2, Metro, and KingCo Lifetime passes are the only passes that will be honored. Specifically, League Faculty and District passes will not be honored.

Roster and Pass List: Each team will be limited to twenty-two (22) players, six (6) designated school personnel (coaches, managers, statistician, etc.), one (1) medical personnel, and two (2) supervisory personnel. The names must be listed on the pass list. Those not on a pass list will not be admitted without a ticket. Each participating team must turn in a team roster and pass list via e-mail to Mike Wentzel (mjwentzel@seattleschools.org) and Sam

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Reed (sreed@seaprep.org) by **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**. No changes are permitted at the league level once the tournament begins (WIAA Rule 22.3.0). Schools must submit pass list, or key personnel will be required to pay for their admission.

Beginning the match: For the first match of the evening played at Memorial Stadium (semifinals on 10/30 and finals on 11/1), the match will commence with the playing of the National Anthem or Pledge of Allegiance.

Team Benches/Sideline: Both teams shall take the same sideline, with the spectators occupying the opposite side. If teams are being announced, the teams will be introduced utilizing the International walk out.

Match length: All regular season and playoff games are to be played in two equal halves of 40 minutes each. The referee is responsible for keeping the time of the game. If the field site has a clock, it shall be run to 2:00 then official time will be utilized which includes stoppage time kept on the field. The referee will indicate to both coaches as to how much time remains.

Tiebreakers/Extra time: In all postseason games the method of breaking ties will be as follows: After a 5-minute break at the conclusion of play, two (2) golden goal five (5) minute overtime periods will be utilized. If still tied after both overtime periods, kicks from the mark will decide the result of the match. Only players on the field at the conclusion of the last overtime period can be used for kicks from the mark.

A coin toss shall be held with the winning team having choice of kicking first or second. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow up on the kick. The defending team may change goalkeepers with an eligible player prior to each penalty kick. Following the five (5) kicks, the team scoring on the greatest number of kicks shall be declared the winner. If the score remains tied, each coach shall select five (5) different players than the first five to take kicks until one team has scored a goal more than the other from the same number of kicks

Spectator Supervision: Team supervisors are responsible to see that their spectators behave in an orderly and sportsman-like manner in compliance with gym rules. The following general rules will be strictly enforced at all sites.

1. Artificial and or mechanical noise makers **are not** permitted.
2. Confetti **will not** be allowed. Schools violating this policy will be assessed a clean-up fee.
3. **No flash photography** will be allowed during play at any time on either court.

Bands: Bands are permitted at Metro League tournament games. School Athletic Directors must notify the Site Manager if a school band will attend the tournament game. All band members must be accompanied by their school supervisor and appear on the pass list turned into the Site Manager.

Warm Up: Allowed warm-up time for the first/only match on each day will be twenty (20) minutes. If multiple matches are being played, teams involved in the 2nd match will have a 15-minute pregame warm-up on the field prior to the match starting.

Game Balls: Each School will provide their own practice/warm-up balls. The host/higher seeded team will provide the game ball and be the home team for that match.

Medical and Athletic Training: For home site contests, the host school will supply a Certified Athletic Trainer for site medical services. Taping can be done by the ATC, but each school will need to provide its own supplies.