#### **NHIAA 2021 Ice Hockey Open Tournament**

#### **COVID – 19 Safety Procedures and Guidelines**

- All CDC and New Hampshire Dept. of Health guidelines will be enforced.
- All guidelines set forth in the Governor's Safer at Home guidance for "Amateur and Youth Sports" must be followed.
- All guidelines set forth in the "NHIAA Reopening Sports Guidance" guidelines must be followed.
- All game modifications approved by the NFHS, NHIAA Basketball Committee, NHIAA Sports Medicine Committee and NHIAA Council will be observed.
- All NHIAA tournaments will require masks for all participants except in the sports of gymnastics, swimming, ski jumping, and spirit as determined by safety reasons by sports specific committees."
   This statement is included in the NHIAA reopening guidelines and posted.
- The NHIAA Ice Hockey Committee is requiring a cloth face covering to be worn over the nose and mouth (sole use of the clear spit guard on a cage is not sufficient)

#### **Tournament**

- The NHIAA 2020-21 Ice Hockey Tournament is set up as an open tournament by division
- Each school was able to opt in based upon their comfort level of competing in a state wide competition
- Based upon feedback from member schools and the success of regional scheduling during the regular season, the Ice Hockey Committee divided each division into 4 regional groups.
- Each of the four regions were initially determined based upon location in the state and proximity to each other.
- Regional matchups were designated based upon overall W-L Record; Head-to-Head; Coin Flip (Records used were as of 2.24.21 to afford schools to schedule ice time)
- Any team who opts out of the tournament will be withdrawn from the bracket and their next scheduled opponent will automatically advance to the next round.
- At the Prelim and Quarters, it is recommended that each rostered student athlete on the varsity team, both home and away, are provided two tickets per game.
- At the Semi and Finals the NHIAA will permit a maximum of TWO (2) tickets per rostered person
- Teams can enter the arena's no earlier than half hour before game time (i.e. 4:15 game, enter the building at 3:45 p.m.)
- Locker Rooms will be available to the teams
- National Anthem will be played. All Players will be requested to keep their helmets on, to comply with the face covering policy.

#### (Hosting school is responsible for securing ice for Prelim/Quarters)

Hosting school is determined by their designated "team number" after the initial round

Lowest team number will host

(#1 being the lowest number)

### **Example of Tiered Timing:**

Game Time (puck drop): 4:15 p.m. Teams take the ice: 4:00 p.m.

Teams arrive at venue: 3:45 p.m.

Apply using your game time.

### **Ice Hockey Girls**

## Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> – Semifinals

Region 1 vs Region 3 (Home Team) – Everett Arena @ 4:15 p.m.

Region 2 vs Region 4 (Home Team) – Everett Arena @ 8:00 p.m.

## Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> – Finals

Dover Ice Arena @ 1:30 p.m. (Winner of 2 vs 4 will be Home Team)

### Ice Hockey Boys Division I

## Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> – Semifinals

Region 1 vs Region 3 (Home Team) – JFK Arena @ 4:15 p.m.

Region 2 vs Region 4 (Home Team) – JFK Arena @ 7:45 p.m.

## Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> – Finals

JFK Arena @ 7:00 p.m. (Winner of 2 vs 4 will be Home Team)

#### Ice Hockey Boys Division II

## Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> - Semifinals

Region 1 vs Region 3 (Home Team) – Dover Arena @ 4:15 p.m.

Region 2 vs Region 4 (Home Team) – Dover Arena @ 7:45 p.m.

# Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> - Finals

Dover Arena @ 5:00 p.m. (Winner of 2 vs 4 will be Home Team)

## **Ice Hockey Boys Division III**

## Wednesday, March 10th - Semifinals

Region 1 vs Region 3 (Home Team) – Everett Arena @ 4:15 p.m.

Region 2 vs Region 4 (Home Team) – Everett Arena @ 8:00 p.m.

## Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> – Finals

Everett Arena @ 7:30 p.m. (Winner of 2 vs 4 will be Home Team)

### **GOOD LUCK!**