

IMSBowling Tournament Format - 2020

We will run a tournament at the conclusion of local competition. It will be the **three** Saturdays prior to Memorial Day Weekend (**Regionals May 2, Semi-States May 9 and Finals May 16, 2020**). Everyone may bowl in the regional singles tournament. Bowlers must have at least 6 games on the final average sheet to compete in the regionals. Tournament roster forms must be submitted by **April 17, 2020** to allow scheduling. The total number of bowlers in the program will determine the number of regionals. We have scheduled 8 regionals in areas across the state where the program is being run. (Additional sites may be added if needed.)

Bowlers and coaches must wear the official IMSB Shirt and slacks to participate in the tournament. Cargo pants, blue jeans, shorts and capris are not allowed.

Everyone will bowl 4 games, and keep all 4 for their final singles' score. Bowlers will compete against their gender (boys against boys and girls against girls) in their school grade (5, 6, 7 & 8). There will be no stepladder finals. We will advance a ratio of at least 1 – 8 each event 80 bowlers for the finals. **Any ties for advancing spots will be broken with a 9th & 10th frame roll off.** We plan to use at least a 32-lane center in a central location for the finals. The winning singles at the regional & semi-state will receive medals. All other advancing bowlers will receive certificates. The top 4 at the finals will receive medals. Home school students may participate, but cannot field a tournament team. Any ties affecting advancement will be broken by rebowling the 9th & 10th frames.

The top 4 bowlers' scores from each 'school' (and each successive group of 4) will be totaled to recognize the school team champions (the teams can be coed, composed of either gender). We will plan to advance a ratio of at least 1 – 8 teams each event. **Any ties for advancing spots will be broken with a 9th & 10th frame roll off of the top bowlers(coach's choice).** If any member of an advancing team doesn't qualify for singles, he/she will advance to bowl team event only. We will award medals to winning team members as well as a trophy for the winning team(s) at regionals & semi-states. All other advancing teams will receive certificates. The top 4 teams at the finals will receive medals. In the tournament students will bowl for the 'school' they will attend in the 8th grade. All schools that flow into that school will be eligible for that team, grades 5-8.

We will use the same format at the regional, semi-state and finals. The 4 games will count for both singles and team. After the teams are determined at the regionals, they will bowl together for the next events.

We will plan to make the finals an event, more than just the bowling. We plan to have food, music, etc.

Lineage will be set at \$3 per game for the regionals, semi-states and finals. Bids will be received from participating centers. This fee is paid by initial entry fee. No fees will be charged for tournament. This program is run by the Indiana Bowling Centers Association.

There will be a door admission charge for the tournament. **Regional fee: \$5 students \$7 adults; Semi-States Fee: \$8 Student, \$10 Adult; Finals fee: \$8 student, \$10 adults. Children under 6 are free.**
Participating Players and coaches are Free.