

2010 Tournament Format

We will run a tournament at the conclusion of local competition. It will be the two Saturdays prior to Memorial Day Weekend (Regionals, **May 15 and Finals May 22, 2010**). Everyone may bowl in the regional singles tournament. Entry forms must be submitted by **May 1, 2010** to allow scheduling. The total number of bowlers in the program will determine the number of regionals. (We anticipate 6 regionals in areas across the state where the program is being run.)

BOWLERS MUST WEAR THE OFFICIAL IMSB T-SHIRT AND BLACK OR KHAKI SLACKS TO BOWL IN THE TOURNAMENT. (No Blue Jeans or Cargo Pants)

Coaches must wear 'Business Casual Dress' or the IMSB T-Shirt and slacks. Name badges will be issued at the tournament site.

Random draw for lanes works best for regionals. Everyone will bowl 4 games, drop their low score and total the top 3 for their final score. **There will be 3 average divisions: Boys- Div 1, up to 109; Div 2, 110-149 and Div 3, 150 and above; Girls- Div 1, up to 99; Div 2, 100-139 and Div 3, 140 and above. These brackets are based on last year's averages to form even sized brackets.** Averages will be based on 8 or more games from the local competition. Each center must present a final average sheet at the regional or bowlers will be placed in the highest division. We will award medals to the top boy and top girl in each of the 3 divisions. There will be no stepladder finals. We will advance a ratio of 1 – 6 (minimum of 1), but with a maximum of 160 bowlers for the finals. We plan to use a 40-lane center in a central location for the finals. If we have a greater number than that we will award more prizes at the regionals. The top 4 bowlers' scores from each school (**school district if 6th, 7th and 8th grades aren't in the same building**) (and each successive group of 4) will be totaled to recognize the school team champions (coed, boys or girls). We will plan to advance a ratio of 1 – 4 teams. If any member of an advancing team doesn't qualify for singles, he/she will advance to bowl team event only (again this number will be controlled by lane availability). We will award medals to winning team members as well as a trophy for the winning team(s).

We will use the same format at the finals. Teams and singles will draw for lanes. At the finals we will award team trophies for the top 2 teams and medals for the team members. We will give medals to the top 4 singles (boys and girls) in each division. **The Champions will each receive a \$100 scholarship.** We will plan to make the finals an event, more than just the bowling. We plan to have food, music, etc.

Spectators will be charged admission at the tournament sites: Regionals – Adults \$4, Students \$2, Under 6 FREE. Finals – Adults \$5, Students \$3, Under 6 FREE.

Lineage will be set at \$3 per game for the regionals and finals. Bids will be received from participating centers. (This fee is paid by the IBCA through the initial entry fee.)