# GAME/MEET MAXIMUMS (and related information) FOR WIAA SPORTS

## 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

This chart has been prepared for athletic administrators as a quick reference for game/meet regulations. It should not be used by persons not familiar with all aspects of WIAA rules. Details for each sport can be found in the Fall, Winter, or Spring Editions of Sports Season Regulations published as addenda to the WIAA HANDBOOK.

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| | | | Days Practice | Earliest Day | **** Game/Meet Maximums **** Grades | | Is 1 Scrimmage Allowed With No Loss of Academic |
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| | | First Day of Practice | Before First Competition | For First Game/Meet | 9-10-11-12 Teams | Middle Level Teams | Time Besides Maximum Games/Meets? |
| **BASEBALL** | | Mar. 22 | 7 | Mar. 30 | 26 | 12 | Yes-b,c |
| **BASKETBALL** | Girls | Nov. 9 | 7 | Nov. 17 | 24-a,i,n | 17-a | Yes-b,h |
| | Boys | Nov. 16 | 7 | Nov. 24 | 24-a,i,n | 17-a | Yes-b,h |
| **CROSS COUNTRY** | Boys & Girls | Aug. 17 | 7 | Aug. 25 | 11 | 8 | Yes-b,c |
| **FOOTBALL** | 11-Player | Aug. 4 | 14 | Aug. 20 | 9 | 7 | Yes-b,d |
| | 8-Player | Aug. 4 | 14 | Aug. 20 | 8 | -- | Yes-b,d |
| **GOLF** | Girls | Aug. 10 | 3 | Aug. 13 | 15-k | 12 | No |
| | Boys | Mar. 29 | 3 | Apr. 1 | 15-k | 12 | No |
| **GYMNASTICS** | | Nov. 9 | 20 | Dec. 3 | 14 | 12 | No |
| **HOCKEY** | Boys & Girls | Nov. 9 | 10 | Nov. 20 | 24 | -- | Yes-f |
| **LACROSSE** | Boys & Girls | Mar. 15 | 7 | Mar. 23 | 18 | 12 | Yes-b,h |
| **SOCCER** | Boys | Aug. 17 | 7 | Aug. 25 | 24 | 12 | Yes-b,g,h |
| | Girls | Mar. 22 | 7 | Mar. 30 | 24 | 12 | Yes-b,g,h |
| **SOFTBALL** | | Mar. 15 | 7 | Mar. 23 | 26 | 12 | Yes-b,c |
| **SWIMMING & DIVING** | Girls | Aug. 11 | 7 | Aug. 19 | 15-l | 12 | Yes-b,c |
| | Boys | Nov. 16 | 7 | Nov. 24 | 15-l | 12 | Yes-b,c |
| **TENNIS** | Girls | Aug. 10 | 4 | Aug. 15 | 14 (6) | 12 (4) | Yes-b,e |
| | Boys | Mar. 29 | 4 | Apr. 2 | 14 (6) | 12 (4) | Yes-b,e |
| **TRACK & FIELD** | Boys & Girls | Mar. 8 | 7 | Mar. 16 | 20 | 12 | No |
| **VOLLEYBALL** | Boys & Girls | Aug. 17 | 7 | Aug. 25 | 15 (7)-m | 13 (6) | Yes-b,c,j |
| **WRESTLING** | Boys & Girls | Nov. 16 | 10 | Nov. 27 | 14 | 12 | Yes-b,f |

***NOTES:***

1. **Earliest day for first game/meet applies only if schools start on earliest date and conduct minimum required practices**
2. **"Tryouts" are considered practice and may not take place prior to the first day of practice.**
3. **Conference tournaments must be included in the count of regular season maximums.**
4. **Multi-school meet maximums shown in parentheses**

**a- May be in two tournaments, with a maximum of eight teams per tournament. Each game counts toward maximum allowed games.**
**b- Senior high teams only**
**c- After 5 days of practice**
**d- After 8 days of practice**
**e- After 2 days of practice**
**f- After 7 days of practice**
**g- Only school-sponsored teams**
**h- After 3 days of practice**
**i- If schools opt to schedule games against out-of-state (nonbordering states) teams, they are limited to one competition/tourna-ment of that type**
**j- Two scrimmages are allowed**
**k- If one meet is scheduled on a Saturday**
**l- If one meet is an alumni meet**
**m- Grade 9 and JV teams may schedule double- or triple-duals beyond the maximum number of allowed multiple-school meets. A double-dual must replace 2 and a triple-dual must replace 3 of the allowed competitions.**
**n-24 for Varsity only; 22 max for JV teams**