



Intramural Sports

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS TOURNAMENT RULES

Tournament Format

- This will be a double-elimination tournament,
- Each round will be similar to a tennis match format in that there is a game, set, and match.
- A player must win a best-of-three series (game) in order to win a “set”.
- The first player to win two “sets” will win the match.
- The championship round will be best-of-three to win the “set” and best-of-five to win the match.

Rules of the Contest

- Each player will start with their arms out in front of their body with their elbows bent.
- Players can either close their eyes or look at their opponent’s face or eyes, but NOT at their opponent’s hand.
- Each game will start off with an official saying “Rock, Paper, Scissors, Shoot” while the participants pump their fists to deliver their final hand position.
 - Hands must be closed in a fist position during the arm pumping.
 - All players in the tournament will “Shoot” at the same time.
- Each player will put out one of the following on “Shoot”
 - Rock = closed fist
 - Scissors = index and middle finger extended outward from a fist and spread apart from each other
 - Paper = flat, open hand with palm facing down and fingers together
- If a player hesitates and doesn’t put out one of the above on “Shoot”, the official will declare a re-throw.
 - This will be declared as a fault on the player. 2 faults will result in an automatic loss.

Scoring

- Rock beats Scissors; loses to paper and ties with rock.
- Paper beats Rock; loses to scissors and ties with paper.
- Scissors beats Paper; loses to rock and ties with scissors