

GET IN THE GAME: PROMOTING PARTICIPATION THROUGH POLICY
2009 NIRSA National Conference Session Attendee Survey Repondents
as of May 19, 2009

	ALL		LARGE		MID-SIZE		SMALL		FREE		PAY	
Respondent Information												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
Average Student Population Size	14,517		27,370		11,719		4,821		11,870		17,900	
Average Number of Teams in Largest IM League	90		170		76		26		77		106	
Free or Fee?												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
Most IM Events are Free to Participants	46	56.1%	11	40.7%	15	55.6%	20	71.4%	46	100.0%	0	0.0%
Most IM Events Require a Fee to Participate	36	43.9%	16	59.3%	12	44.4%	8	28.6%	0	0.0%	36	100.0%
Forfeit Deposit or Fine Charged?												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	76		26		25		25		42		34	
Team Must Pay a Refundable Forfeit Deposit Prior to Season	18	23.7%	5	19.2%	6	24.0%	7	28.0%	10	23.8%	8	23.5%
Team is Assessed a Fine When It Forfeits During the Season	25	32.9%	15	57.7%	7	28.0%	3	12.0%	11	26.2%	14	41.2%
No Deposit or Fine (No Financial Penalty) for a Forfeit	33	43.4%	6	23.1%	12	48.0%	15	60.0%	21	50.0%	12	35.3%
Competitive vs Recreational												
Average Score on Scale of 1-10 (1 Recreational to 10 Competitive)	7.50		7.52		7.63		7.36		7.46		7.56	
Overall, Our Program is Seeking...												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	74		25		24		25		43		31	
... More Competitive Participants	25	33.8%	6	24.0%	8	33.3%	11	44.0%	15	34.9%	10	32.3%
... More Recreational Participants	60	81.1%	22	88.0%	17	70.8%	21	84.0%	36	83.7%	24	77.4%
... More Participants, Any Type	11	14.9%	3	12.0%	1	4.2%	7	28.0%	8	18.6%	3	9.7%
Team Registration Method												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	81		26		26		27		46		35	
Online Registration System Available for Major Sports	24	29.6%	10	38.5%	7	26.9%	7	25.9%	19	41.3%	5	14.3%
Email Registration Utilized for Major Sports	8	9.9%	0	0.0%	3	11.5%	5	18.5%	6	13.0%	2	5.7%
Written Registration is Available in a Designated Location (Office) Only	58	71.6%	16	61.5%	19	73.1%	23	85.2%	28	60.9%	30	85.7%
Team Registration Time Period												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	67		23		24		20		37		30	
Registration is Available on Specific Days / Times for 3 Days or Less	13	19.4%	6	26.1%	5	20.8%	2	10.0%	6	16.2%	7	23.3%
Registration is Available for Designated Period of 4 Days or More	54	80.6%	17	73.9%	19	79.2%	18	90.0%	31	83.8%	23	76.7%
Team Registration & Playing Schedule												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	58		22		21		15		29		29	
Instant Scheduling Offered at Registration (Confirmed Day/Time)	21	36.2%	14	63.6%	5	23.8%	2	13.3%	10	34.5%	11	37.9%
Preferred Scheduling Offered at Registration (Day/Time Requests Accepted)	37	63.8%	8	36.4%	16	76.2%	13	86.7%	19	65.5%	18	62.1%

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Captains Meetings												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	81		27		27		27		45		36	
Captains Meeting Materials Available Online (Video or Handouts)	5	6.2%	2	7.4%	1	3.7%	2	7.4%	4	8.9%	1	2.8%
Captains Can Take Online Quiz as Alternative to Attending Meeting	5	6.2%	2	7.4%	2	7.4%	1	3.7%	4	8.9%	1	2.8%
Captains are Required to Attend a Meeting at a Single Designated Time	58	71.6%	19	70.4%	20	74.1%	19	70.4%	33	73.3%	25	69.4%
Captains are Required to Attend a Meeting with a Choice of Multiple Times	16	19.8%	6	22.2%	4	14.8%	6	22.2%	9	20.0%	7	19.4%
Captains are Required to Complete Paperwork to Confirm Attendance at Meeting	25	30.9%	9	33.3%	9	33.3%	7	25.9%	15	33.3%	10	27.8%
No Captains Meetings are Held or Attendance is Not Required	5	6.2%	2	7.4%	2	7.4%	1	3.7%	1	2.2%	4	11.1%
Team Schedules												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
Schedules are Posted to a Web Site	66	80.5%	26	96.3%	23	85.2%	17	60.7%	34	73.9%	32	88.9%
Schedules are Emailed to Captains and/or Participants	40	48.8%	8	29.6%	11	40.7%	21	75.0%	27	58.7%	13	36.1%
Schedules are Physically Posted in a Public Location (Facility / Office)	49	59.8%	13	48.1%	15	55.6%	21	75.0%	30	65.2%	19	52.8%
Schedules are Distributed to Captains or Participants at a Designated Location	29	35.4%	10	37.0%	5	18.5%	14	50.0%	17	37.0%	12	33.3%
Roster Management												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	80		27		26		27		46		34	
Teams are Required to Submit a Roster at the Time of Registration	50	62.5%	13	48.1%	15	57.7%	22	81.5%	30	65.2%	20	58.8%
Teams are Required to Make Roster Change at a Designated Location (Office)	23	28.8%	7	25.9%	7	26.9%	9	33.3%	14	30.4%	9	26.5%
Teams May Make Roster Additions at the Game / Match Site	60	75.0%	21	77.8%	20	76.9%	19	70.4%	34	73.9%	26	76.5%
Teams May Make Roster Deletions at the Game / Match Site	31	38.8%	7	25.9%	13	50.0%	11	40.7%	15	32.6%	16	47.1%
Changes are Permitted until Predetermined Point in the Regular Season	10	12.5%	1	3.7%	3	11.5%	6	22.2%	9	19.6%	1	2.9%
Changes are Permitted until Start of a Postseason Tournament	56	70.0%	18	66.7%	21	80.8%	17	63.0%	29	63.0%	27	79.4%
Changes are Permitted until Predetermined Point in a Postseason Tournament	11	13.8%	6	22.2%	1	3.8%	4	14.8%	6	13.0%	5	14.7%
Changes are Permitted at Any Time Throughout Regular Season and Playoffs	3	3.8%	2	7.4%	1	3.8%	0	0.0%	2	4.3%	1	2.9%
Game Site Check-In												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
Each Participant is Required to Present Valid School ID to Check-In Prior to Each Game	63	76.8%	22	81.5%	21	77.8%	20	71.4%	38	82.6%	25	69.4%
Each Participant is Required to Present Any Photo ID to Check-In Prior to Each Game	9	11.0%	2	7.4%	2	7.4%	5	17.9%	4	8.7%	5	13.9%
Participant IDs are Electronically Verified as Valid During the Check-In Process	11	13.4%	6	22.2%	1	3.7%	4	14.3%	9	19.6%	2	5.6%
Participant IDs are Matched to the Team Roster During the Check-In Process	42	51.2%	12	44.4%	15	55.6%	15	53.6%	21	45.7%	21	58.3%
ID is Not Required or No Response Was Given in This Section	10	12.2%	3	11.1%	4	14.8%	3	10.7%	4	8.7%	6	16.7%
Required Equipment												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	79		27		25		27		44		35	
Participants are Required to Provide Similar Colored Jerseys for Their Games	24	30.4%	10	37.0%	6	24.0%	8	29.6%	9	20.5%	15	42.9%
Participants are Required to Provide Numbered Jerseys for Their Games	14	17.7%	6	22.2%	3	12.0%	5	18.5%	5	11.4%	9	25.7%
The IM Program Provides or Checks Out Reusable Jerseys for Team Use	63	79.7%	23	85.2%	21	84.0%	19	70.4%	35	79.5%	28	80.0%
Participants are Required to Provide Personal Safety Equipment in Select Sports	21	26.6%	3	11.1%	12	48.0%	6	22.2%	12	27.3%	9	25.7%
The IM Program Provides or Checks Out Personal Safety Equipment in Select Sports	28	35.4%	10	37.0%	8	32.0%	10	37.0%	19	43.2%	9	25.7%
Playoff Qualification & Sportsmanship Ratings												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
Teams are Required to Qualify for the Playoffs Based on Regular Season Performance	45	54.9%	15	55.6%	13	48.1%	17	60.7%	20	43.5%	25	69.4%
Teams are Seeded for the Playoffs Based Solely on Regular Season Performance	62	75.6%	17	63.0%	24	88.9%	21	75.0%	33	71.7%	29	80.6%
Good Sportsmanship is Promoted Through the Use of a Sportsmanship Rating System	58	70.7%	20	74.1%	21	77.8%	16	57.1%	33	71.7%	25	69.4%

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Participant Restrictions												
<i>Total Respondents</i>	82		27		27		28		46		36	
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current or Former Professional Athletes...</i>												
... is Prohibited	50	61.0%	17	63.0%	18	66.7%	15	53.6%	33	71.7%	17	47.2%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	15	18.3%	6	22.2%	6	22.2%	3	10.7%	4	8.7%	11	30.6%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	11	13.4%	5	18.5%	3	11.1%	3	10.7%	3	6.5%	8	22.2%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	10	12.2%	1	3.7%	2	7.4%	7	25.0%	7	15.2%	3	8.3%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Varsity Athletes...</i>												
... is Prohibited	40	48.8%	16	59.3%	14	51.9%	10	35.7%	25	54.3%	15	41.7%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	17	20.7%	5	18.5%	3	11.1%	9	32.1%	7	15.2%	10	27.8%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	29	35.4%	8	29.6%	11	40.7%	10	35.7%	15	32.6%	14	38.9%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	4	4.9%	0	0.0%	1	3.7%	3	10.7%	3	6.5%	1	2.8%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Former Varsity Athletes...</i>												
... is Prohibited	3	3.7%	1	3.7%	2	7.4%	0	0.0%	1	2.2%	2	5.6%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	40	48.8%	17	63.0%	11	40.7%	12	42.9%	21	45.7%	19	52.8%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	23	28.0%	10	37.0%	8	29.6%	5	17.9%	13	28.3%	10	27.8%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	26	31.7%	5	18.5%	8	29.6%	13	46.4%	16	34.8%	10	27.8%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Varsity Practice Squad Members...</i>												
... is Prohibited	22	26.8%	7	25.9%	10	37.0%	5	17.9%	14	30.4%	8	22.2%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	19	23.2%	9	33.3%	4	14.8%	6	21.4%	11	23.9%	8	22.2%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	20	24.4%	8	29.6%	7	25.9%	5	17.9%	10	21.7%	10	27.8%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	29	35.4%	7	25.9%	8	29.6%	14	50.0%	16	34.8%	13	36.1%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Varsity Coaches or Administrators...</i>												
... is Prohibited	7	8.5%	4	14.8%	3	11.1%	0	0.0%	5	10.9%	2	5.6%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	16	19.5%	6	22.2%	5	18.5%	5	17.9%	12	26.1%	4	11.1%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	14	17.1%	6	22.2%	4	14.8%	4	14.3%	8	17.4%	6	16.7%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	47	57.3%	11	40.7%	17	63.0%	19	67.9%	22	47.8%	25	69.4%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Sport Club Players...</i>												
... is Prohibited	2	2.4%	0	0.0%	2	7.4%	0	0.0%	1	2.2%	1	2.8%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	49	59.8%	22	81.5%	16	59.3%	11	39.3%	24	52.2%	25	69.4%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	17	20.7%	8	29.6%	5	18.5%	4	14.3%	9	19.6%	8	22.2%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	22	26.8%	3	11.1%	6	22.2%	13	46.4%	14	30.4%	8	22.2%