

THE STATE OF INTRAMURAL SPORTS

2023 Survey - All Responses as of July 31, 2023

	LARGE		MID-SIZE		SMALL	
Respondent Information						
Total Respondents	49		51		56	
Average Student Population Size	39,239		20,138		7,721	
Average Number of Teams in Largest IM League	191		77		26	
Free or Fee?						
Total Respondents	49		51		56	
Most IM Events are Free to Participants	19	38.8%	27	52.9%	43	76.8%
Most IM Events Require a Fee to Participate	30	61.2%	24	47.1%	13	23.2%
Forfeit Deposit or Fine Charged?						
Total Respondents	42		37		40	
Team Must Pay a Refundable Forfeit Deposit Prior to Season	3	7.1%	3	8.1%	4	10.0%
Team is Assessed a Fine When It Forfeits During the Season	24	57.1%	23	62.2%	17	42.5%
No Deposit or Fine (No Financial Penalty) for a Forfeit	15	35.7%	11	29.7%	19	47.5%
Competitive vs Recreational						
Average Score on Scale of 1-10 (1 Recreational to 10 Competitive)	7.04		7.13		6.13	
Overall, Our Program is Seeking...						
Total Respondents	49		51		56	
... More Competitive Participants	6	12.2%	12	23.5%	13	23.2%
... More Recreational Participants	43	87.8%	39	76.5%	43	76.8%
Team Registration Method						
Total Respondents	48		51		55	
Online Registration System Available for Major Sports	48	100.0%	51	100.0%	54	98.2%
Email Registration Utilized for Major Sports	1	2.1%	3	5.9%	8	14.5%
Written Registration is Available in a Designated Location (Office) Only	1	2.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Team Registration Time Period						
Total Respondents	44		49		42	
Registration is Available on Specific Days / Times for 3 Days or Less	1	2.3%	1	2.0%	0	0.0%
Registration is Available for Designated Period of 4 to 7 Days	13	29.5%	6	12.2%	2	4.8%
Registration is Available for Designated Period of 8 Days or More	29	65.9%	42	85.7%	40	95.2%

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Team Registration & Playing Schedule						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	38		37		34	
Instant Scheduling Offered at Registration (Confirmed Day/Time)	28	73.7%	17	45.9%	10	29.4%
Preferred Scheduling Offered at Registration (Day/Time Requests Accepted)	10	26.3%	20	54.1%	24	70.6%
Captains Meetings						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		51		56	
Captains Meeting Materials Available Online (Video or Handouts)	14	28.6%	16	31.4%	14	25.0%
Captains Can Take Online Quiz to Complete Preseason Requirements	31	63.3%	24	47.1%	24	42.9%
Captains Have the Option to Complete on Online Test or Attend an In-Person Meeting	3	6.1%	3	5.9%	2	3.6%
Captains are Required to Attend a Meeting at a Single Designated Time	2	4.1%	11	21.6%	16	28.6%
Captains are Required to Attend a Meeting with a Choice of Multiple Times	1	2.0%	4	7.8%	3	5.4%
Captains are Required to Complete Paperwork to Confirm Attendance at Meeting	2	4.1%	5	9.8%	5	8.9%
No Captains Meetings are Held or Attendance is Not Required	9	18.4%	7	13.7%	8	14.3%
Team Schedules						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	48		50		51	
Schedules are Posted to a Web Site	48	100.0%	50	100.0%	48	94.1%
Schedules are Emailed to Captains and/or Participants	6	12.5%	8	16.0%	17	33.3%
Schedules are Physically Posted in a Public Location (Facility / Office)	0	0.0%	1	2.0%	5	9.8%
Schedules are Distributed to Captains or Participants at a Designated Location	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Roster Management						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	48		50		52	
Teams are Required to Submit a Roster at the Time of Registration	13	27.1%	15	30.0%	14	26.9%
Teams are Required to Make Roster Changes at a Designated Location (Office)	0	0.0%	1	2.0%	2	3.8%
Teams May Make Roster Additions at the Game / Match Site	38	79.2%	38	76.0%	46	88.5%
Teams May Make Roster Deletions at the Game / Match Site	20	41.7%	12	24.0%	29	55.8%
Team Rosters are Locked Prior to or at the End of the Regular Season	26	54.2%	34	68.0%	37	71.2%
Team Rosters are Locked at a Predetermined Point in a Postseason Tournament	21	43.8%	13	4.0%	12	23.1%
Roster Changes are Permitted in the Regular Season and During a Portion of the Playoffs	13	27.1%	11	22.0%	9	17.3%
Roster Size						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	46		50		51	
An Unlimited Number of Players are Permitted on a Team's Roster in Most Sports	23	50.0%	16	32.0%	16	31.4%
A Maximum Number of Players on a Team Roster is Set in Most Sports	23	50.0%	34	68.0%	35	68.6%

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Game Site Check-In						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		51		56	
Each Participant is Required to Present Valid School ID to Check-In Prior to Each Game	19	38.8%	27	52.9%	30	53.6%
Each Participant is Required to Present Any Photo ID to Check-In Prior to Each Game	29	59.2%	23	45.1%	21	37.5%
Participant IDs are Electronically Verified as Valid During the Check-In Process	6	12.2%	6	11.8%	7	12.5%
Participant IDs are Matched to the Team Roster During the Check-In Process	18	36.7%	27	52.9%	27	48.2%
ID is Not Required or No Response Was Given in This Section	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Team Jerseys						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		50		56	
Participants are Required to Provide Their Own Similar Colored Jerseys for Their Games	10	20.4%	2	4.0%	3	5.4%
Participants are Required to Provide Their Own Numbered Jerseys for Their Games	3	6.1%	0	0.0%	2	3.6%
The IM Program Provides or Checks Out Reusable Jerseys for Team Use	39	79.6%	48	96.0%	53	94.6%
Personal Safety Equipment						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		51		56	
Participants are Required to Provide Personal Safety Equipment in Select Sports	17	34.7%	13	25.5%	14	25.0%
The IM Program Provides or Checks Out Personal Safety Equipment in Select Sports	15	30.6%	28	54.9%	24	42.9%
Playoff Qualification & Sportsmanship Ratings						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		50		54	
Teams are Required to Qualify for the Playoffs Based on Regular Season Performance	22	44.9%	35	70.0%	23	42.6%
Teams are Seeded for the Playoffs Based Solely on Regular Season Performance	23	46.9%	25	50.0%	38	70.4%
Good Sportsmanship is Promoted Through the Use of a Sportsmanship Rating System	42	85.7%	43	86.0%	42	77.8%
A Minimum Sportsmanship is Required to Continue Playing or Advance to Playoffs	43	87.8%	47	94.0%	46	85.2%
Staff are Instructed to Review Sportsmanship as Part of the Pregame Captains Meeting	39	79.6%	36	72.0%	36	66.7%
We Offer a Team or Individual Award Based on High Sportsmanship Ratings	6	12.2%	5	10.0%	2	3.7%
Officials Training Methods						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		50		51	
We Utilize In-Person Trainings Led by IM Staff for the Majority of Our Training Sessions	49	100.0%	50	100.0%	51	100.0%
We Utilize a Hybrid Model of In-Person and Online Trainings for Rules/Mechanics Content	15	30.6%	25	50.0%	19	37.3%
We Utilize Online Training Resources from External Providers (Paid or Free)	4	8.2%	9	18.0%	5	9.8%
We Utilize Local Experts/Officials from Outside of Our Department	4	8.2%	7	14.0%	8	15.7%
We Team Up with Other Local Institutions to Provide Joint Training Sessions	2	4.1%	0	0.0%	5	9.8%

Participant Restrictions	LARGE		MID-SIZE		SMALL	
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		50		55	
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current or Former Professional Athletes...</i>						
... is Prohibited	29	59.2%	28	56.0%	30	54.5%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	9	18.4%	6	12.0%	6	10.9%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	10	20.4%	16	32.0%	13	23.6%
... is Restricted in Number per Team and to a Specific League	2	4.1%	4	8.0%	2	3.6%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	3	6.1%	4	8.0%	8	14.5%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Varsity Athletes...</i>						
... is Prohibited	26	53.1%	22	44.0%	18	32.7%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	8	16.3%	12	24.0%	12	21.8%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	17	34.7%	23	46.0%	26	47.3%
... is Restricted in Number per Team and to a Specific League	4	8.2%	7	14.0%	3	5.5%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	2	4.1%	0	0.0%	2	3.6%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Former Varsity Athletes...</i>						
... is Prohibited	1	2.0%	1	2.0%	3	5.5%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	29	59.2%	22	44.0%	17	30.9%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	24	49.0%	29	58.0%	22	40.0%
... is Restricted in Number per Team and to a Specific League	10	20.4%	10	20.0%	4	7.3%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	5	10.2%	8	16.0%	17	30.9%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Varsity Practice Squad Members...</i>						
... is Prohibited	7	14.3%	10	20.0%	5	9.1%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	21	42.9%	16	32.0%	11	20.0%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	19	38.8%	22	44.0%	21	38.2%
... is Restricted in Number per Team and to a Specific League	5	10.2%	7	14.0%	1	1.8%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	7	14.3%	9	18.0%	19	34.5%
<i>In Related IM Sports, Participation by Current Sport Club Players...</i>						
... is Prohibited	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	3.6%
... is Restricted in Number per Team	47	95.9%	42	84.0%	38	69.1%
... is Restricted to a Specific League	17	34.7%	13	26.0%	12	21.8%
... is Restricted in Number per Team and to a Specific League	16	32.7%	12	24.0%	7	12.7%
... Not Restricted or No Policy is Written for This Group	1	2.0%	7	14.0%	10	18.2%

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Gender & League Offerings						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	49		51		56	
We Offer Gender-Specific Leagues (Divisions) such as Men's and Women's	43	87.8%	46	90.2%	39	69.6%
We Offer Co-Rec Leagues That Have a Required Number of Players Based on Gender	47	95.9%	45	88.2%	35	62.5%
We Offer Mixed or Open Leagues That Have No Gender Requirements	46	93.9%	46	90.2%	50	89.3%
We Offer Mixed or Open Leagues, But No Co-Rec Leagues	2	4.1%	6	11.8%	21	37.5%
We Have Policies That Expand Opportunities for Transgender Participants	29	59.2%	20	39.2%	22	39.3%
Our Ability to Expand Opportunities for Transgender Participants is Restricted by Law	8	16.3%	11	21.6%	3	5.4%
Length of Sport Offerings (Regular Seasons)						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	45		49		51	
We Have Lengthed Our Sport Seasons, Offering More Games per Team	6	13.3%	13	26.5%	6	11.8%
We Have Shortened Our Sport Seasons, Offering Less Games per Team	11	24.4%	6	12.2%	12	23.5%
Our Sport Seasons Have Largely Remained Unchanged in Length / Format	28	62.2%	30	61.2%	33	64.7%
Format of Sport Offerings (Leagues and/or Tournaments)						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	45		46		52	
We Have Begun Offering More Tournaments (One-Day, Weekend, Limited Time)	26	57.8%	25	54.3%	32	61.5%
We Have Begun Offering More Leagues (Regular Season Play)	11	24.4%	15	32.6%	11	21.2%
We Offer About the Same Number of Leagues & Tournaments (Unchanged)	16	35.6%	13	28.3%	15	28.8%
Team Composition in Sport Offerings						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	41		38		41	
We Have Begun Offering More Sports with Fewer Numbers of Required Players (3v3)	10	24.4%	18	47.4%	22	53.7%
We Have Begun Offering More Sports with Larger Numbers of Required Players	0	0.0%	1	2.6%	1	2.4%
We Have Not Largely Changed Our Offerings Based on Number of Required Players	31	75.6%	19	50.0%	18	43.9%
Outlook for Intramural Sports						
<i>Total Respondents</i>	48		51		56	
I Anticipate Strong Growth in Participation and Involvement	7	14.6%	7	13.7%	8	14.3%
I Anticipate Some Growth in Participation and Involvement	30	62.5%	25	49.0%	31	55.4%
I Anticipate Holding at a Steady Level of Participation and Involvement	11	22.9%	14	27.5%	11	19.6%
I Anticipate a Slight Decline in Participation and Involvement	0	0.0%	5	9.8%	4	7.1%
I Anticipate a Concerning Decline in Participation and Involvement	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	3.6%