## 2022 Adult Co-Ed Halloween Tournament Victoria College Sports Center Tournament Rules October 22, 2022

- 1. Each team must consist of a minimum of 4 players all over the age of 18 who are no longer in high school. There is no need to have an additional adult coach present on the bench.
- 2. A maximum of 4 players are allowed on the court at any one time. At least one female team member must be on the court at all times.
- 3. No open-hand tipping is allowed at or inside the 10-foot line.
- 4. Teams must rotate AT LEAST SERVERS after each side-out.
- 5. Tournament play will be a single 4-team pool followed by a single elimination bracket. In general, each match in pool play will consist of 2 sets to 25 (rally scoring, cap 30).

HOWEVER, in keeping with the spirit of Halloween, teams should expect at least one trick or treat along the way in the form of a "Mystery Match". This match will have modified rules or requirements that apply only to that match and are designed to make the tournament more fun for everyone. All teams will have the same number of "Mystery Matches" so no team will be adversely impacted.

6. After pool play, teams will be seeded for bracket play based on the number of SETS won. Bracket play will be single elimination and will consist of a semi-final round (one set to 25 - rally scoring, cap 30) and a championship round (best 2 out of 3 sets to 25 - rally scoring, cap 30 - third set to 15, cap 20 if needed).

ALL TEAMS will advance to bracket play. There will be no "Mystery Matches" in bracket play.

- 7. In the event of a tie, final team standings will be determined as follows:
  - First head to head results of the tied teams with the winner receiving the higher place; if still tied then

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- Second comparison of the total point spread between the tied teams with the higher point spread receiving the higher seed; if still tied then
- Third comparison of the total point spread over all opponents during the tournament
- 8. Teams scheduled to play the first match of the day should be warmed up and ready to begin at the scheduled start time. There will be no formal warm-ups for subsequent matches other than a brief period of peppering & ball handling as teams prepare for the next match. The only match that will begin at the scheduled time will be the first match of the day.

Since all teams will be playing at all times we will not stick to a strict time schedule or force the schedule to run ahead without adequate breaks; however, teams should plan to remain at the gym so that we can keep the tournament moving at a reasonable pace.

- 9. All teams will need to provide one volunteer/spectator to keep score for their matches. There will be no separate work assignments all teams will self-ref and monitor lines on the honor system.
- 10. Please remind your players and spectators to dispose of any empty water bottles or other trash in the lobby, bleachers and bench areas of the gym before they leave. No outside food or drinks other than water in containers with secured, screw-on lids are allowed in the gym.
- 11. Children should not be left unattended in the lobby area or outside the Sports Center. Everyone should remain inside the gym at all times and use only the public restrooms in the rear hallway of the building. The sand court and any areas marked as restricted by Victoria College are absolutely OFF LIMITS.
- 12. We consider it a privilege to use the Victoria College Sports Center as the location for our events and we respectfully ask that you share this information with all of your players and parents and help us follow these simple guidelines so that we are able to maintain that privilege.