

# Heartland Hullabaloo

Tournament Handbook



January 24-25, 2026

**Paducah Convention Center**

415 Park Street Paducah, KY 42001

Presented by:



We are very pleased to have you at the **Heartland Hullabaloo** hosted by **Level 12 Sports**. This packet should contain all the information you need to compete in this year's event. Please be sure to read everything very carefully as we will not have a coaches' meeting prior to playing on Saturday.

## SCHEDULES:

All schedules and results will be posted on AES (link below):

### [EVENT SCHEDULE](#)

## TEAM CHECK-IN:

Teams can check in at the facility any time before their first match on **Saturday**. Doors open at 7 am. Please allow enough time to get through the check-in process prior to your first match. If your roster is loaded into AES prior to Thursday @ 11:45PM, you do not need to bring a signed copy of your roster. If you miss the deadline, a signed copy of your roster is required at check-in.

## VENUE:

**Paducah Convention Center | 415 Park Street Paducah, KY 42001**

## PARKING:

There is plenty of parking available at the facility. Parking will be free for the weekend. Do not park in the fire lanes and do not park illegally. Violators will be towed at the owner's expense.

## TICKETS:

All spectators will need a wristband. Kids 10 & under are **FREE**. Everyone else will need a wristband. Coaches will receive a wristband at team check-in (2 coaches maximum. No chaperones or team representatives). Admission is \$25 for a weekend pass or \$15 for a single-day pass. Tickets are available via the link below. No credit card sales at the door. Doors open at 7:00 am with the first matches beginning at 8:00 am.

### [CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

## WRISTBANDS:

The ticketing program only allows us to scan the ticket one time so **DO NOT take your wristband off** for any reason. If you take it off or lose it, you will be charged for a new wristband. No exceptions.

## SEATING:

There are plenty of bleachers at each court for spectator seating. Outside chairs ARE allowed but they must have rubber soles and you must also put a towel/blanket under the legs. The facility does not want scuff marks on the wood floor.

## **FOOD/CONCESSIONS:**

Absolutely NO outside food, drinks, or coolers will be allowed into the facilities. Concessions are sold at the facility.

## **AGE-SPECIFIC RULES:**

All teams playing in 11/12s divisions are allowed to use the “step-in line” to serve. The step-in line will be approximately 6’6” into the court. If a player gets 3 serves in a row from the step-in line, they will be asked to move back beyond the end-line until their service turn is ended.

## **WARM-UP PROCEDURES:**

Before your first match, teams will share the court for 2 mins (please keep balls on your own side). After the shared time, each team will then get the entire court for 4 mins (serving must be a part of this time). The serving team will get the court first.

## **POOL-PLAY FORMAT:**

In all pools, matches will be best 2 of 3 sets with sets 1 & 2 played to 25 points. If necessary, a 3rd and deciding set will be played to 15 points. All sets have no cap and must be won by 2 points.

Pool play will consist of 3, 4, or 5-team pools. Most teams will play 3 matches on Saturday & 2 on Sunday. A few teams (especially in 3 or 5 team pools) might play more or less. Regardless, all teams will receive a minimum of 5 matches (or 10 sets) for the weekend.

## **TIEBREAKERS:**

There will be NO PLAYOFFS during pool play (not even for Gold or Silver). All ties will be solved via the following protocol:

- Match Percentage
- Head-to-head (ONLY used if it is 2-team tiebreaker)
- Set Percentage
- Point Percentage
- Flip a coin

All calculations are viewable on AES online. Please monitor scores as they are updated to be sure this information is accurate throughout the day.

## **BOYS POLICY:**

Any team looking to include a boy on their roster MUST have their roster loaded in AES, and MUST email Troy Helton ([troy@level12sports.com](mailto:troy@level12sports.com)) for approval BEFORE the tournament.

- 12 & Under – Boys can play co-ed
- 13s – Must play in 14s or older team
- 14s – Must play in 16s or older team
- 15-18 – Not eligible to play

## **AWARDS:**

Medals will be given to 1st place and 2nd place in the **GOLD** bracket of each division **only**. Medals are for players only, no medals will be issued to coaches.

All players participating will receive a FREE bag tag for their backpacks. Coaches will pick these up at team check-in on Saturday. We do not replace lost/stolen bag tags.

## **RECRUITING**

Level 12 Sports is pleased to partner with StackAthlete as our official recruitment partner. Take this opportunity to create your own personal or team StackAthlete profile. Links are below to begin the scouting process!

**PLAYER:** Click [HERE](#) to create your **FREE** StackAthlete profile. Get exposure all season long.

## **STREAMING: [CLICK HERE](#)**

All games are livestreamed on **SportsEngine Play**. Teams get exposure. Fans stay connected. Everyone wins. Livestreaming isn't just a perk—it's a powerful reason to participate.

## **TOURNAMENT WEBSITE & DIRECTOR:**

Visit our website for more information on this tournament: <https://level12sports.com/heartland-hullabaloo/>

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