

# Battle on the Border

Tournament Handbook



Mar 7-8, 2026

**Mishawaka Field House**

6155 Veterans Pkwy, Mishawaka, IN 46545

Presented by:



We are very pleased to have you at the inaugural **Battle on the Border** tournament 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: [EVENT SCHEDULE](#)**

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

## **TEAM CHECK-IN:**

Teams must check in online through AES by Thursday at midnight. If you do not check in by Thursday, you'll need to bring a full hard copy roster showing player name, membership number, jersey number, etc.

Coaches need to swing by the check in desk before their first match on Saturday to pick up their team's FREE bag tags. Doors open at 7am. Please allow enough time to get through the check-in process prior to your first match.

**There will be no early check-in on Friday night.**

**VENUE: *Mishawaka Field House | 6155 Veterans Pkwy, Mishawaka, IN 46545***

## **PARKING:**

Mishawaka Fieldhouse offers FREE parking in main & overflow parking lots. Follow posted signs and traffic officer commands. Shuttle services will be available on Sunday from the St Joseph Regional Medical Center: 5215 Holy Cross Parkway, Mishawaka, IN 46545. Shuttle services every 15min. [Battle on the Border Tournament Packet](#)

## **TICKETS:**

All spectators will need a wristband. Kids ages 10 & under are **FREE**. Everyone else will need a wristband. Admissions is \$28.52 for the full weekend and \$17.85 for a day pass. **NO CASH SALES.**

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

Coaches will receive a FREE wristband at team check-in (**2 coaches maximum. No chaperones or team representatives**). Doors open at 7 am with the first matches beginning at 8 am.

## **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 NOT allowed.

## FOOD/CONCESSIONS:

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 the 12s divisions are allowed to use the “step-in line” to serve. The step-in line will be 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 share time, each team will then get the entire court for 4 mins (serving must be a part of this time). The team that elects to serve first 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, but a few teams (especially in 5-team pools) might play 4 matches on Saturday or just 2 but play 3 on Sunday. Regardless, all teams will receive a minimum of 5 matches (or 10 sets) for the weekend.

## 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.

## **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.

## **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.

## **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 Toy 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.

## **TOURNAMENT WEBSITE**

Visit our website for more information on this tournament: <https://level12sports.com/battle-on-the-border/>

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