LSA STATE VOLLEYBALL POOL PLAY AND WILDCARD TIEBREAKER RULES

Tiebreak rules have been updated to be consistent with USA Volleyball tiebreaker rules.

POOL PLAY

If two teams are tied, the winner of the match in pool play is given the higher place in pool play standings.

If three teams are tied, this formula is used and is followed once.

1. Head-to-head competition. If the teams involved beat each other, then…
2. Set Winning Percentage**.** If there are any ties, then...
3. Best Point Differential. If there are any ties, then…
4. Coin Flip

Example:

	MATCH		SET		SET WINNING	POINTS		AVG POINT
	W	L	W	L	PERCENTAGE	TEAM	OPP	DIFF.
TEAM A	1	2	3	4	42.9%	129	156	-3.857
TEAM B	1	2	2	4	33.3%	134	150	-2.667
TEAM C	1	2	2	4	33.3%	139	150	-1.833

TEAM C def TEAM A, TEAM B def TEAM C, and TEAM A def TEAM B. Head-to-head competition does not help. TEAM A has the best Set Winning Percentage; therefore, it would be in first. Since TEAM B and TEAM C have the same Set Winning Percentage, Point Differential is used. The process does not start over after the first tiebreaker is used. TEAM C has the better Point Differential and would be second.

CONSOLATION BRACKET (14 TEAMS)

All teams getting first or second place in a pool will go to the Championship bracket. Teams in the consolation bracket will be third and fourth place pool teams. The top two third place teams will get a bye. The bottom two third place teams and the fourth place teams will play each other. The third place teams will be ranked by the formula below. Then fourth place teams will be ranked.

Teams are ranked using the formula below, and it is followed once.

1. Match record
2. Head-to-Head Competition (for Blue and Gray Pool)
3. Set Winning Percentage. If there are any ties, then...
4. Best Point Differential. If there are any ties, then…
5. Coin Toss

Point Differential is Team Points minus Opponent Points, divided by the total number of sets played.