

2010 Indiana Middle School Bowling (www.imsbowling.org) Program Highlights

The purpose of the Indiana Middle School Bowling Program will be to provide middle school (and home schooled) students, grades 6, 7 & 8, the opportunity to experience the spirit of competition, school and community pride. The program, available to both boys and girls will bridge barriers of size, age, strength, sex, race and handicap, providing opportunities for those who may lack the interest, or may not be able to compete in other sports.

We are going to provide a program with basic guidelines for centers (schools) to use and implement a feeder program for the IHSB program. We will spell out basics, but allow each center to determine particulars as to how it will best work for them at the local level. Local competition will take place from **March 1 – May 9, 2010**. We will spell out the rules for the 2-week (Saturday) tournament series. The tournament will run the two weeks prior to the Memorial Day weekend (**May 15 & 22**).

The cost to bowl in the program is just \$25 per student. This will cover the cost of an official IMSB T-shirt, participation ribbon and singles entry into a regional tournament. The T-shirts will be provided by Classic Products and will sport our official Middle School Logo. The local center will set a player's fee (\$75? – only suggested) that may provide the following: Bowling Lineage (Practices & Meets), Coaching, Banners, Awards and Secretarial Services for the 10-week program, plus the state fee.

Local Budget (Sample)

TOTAL COST PER STUDENT	\$75.00 (May differ. May collect up front or weekly)
Forwarded to IBCA	\$25.00 (For T-shirt, ribbon, regional entry)
Practice lineage	\$20.00 (10 weeks available)
Meet lineage	\$20.00 (10 weeks available)
Coaches	\$4.00
Secretary	\$1.00

Awards	\$2.00
Banquet	\$3.00

You have 10 weeks available for competition. You don't have to bowl 10 weeks.

IBCA member centers will receive 4 posters in their forms' packet. 'How To' manuals are available upon request. Additional posters are also available. It will cost each center a \$100 deposit to enter the program. This deposit and the center information form is due January 15, 2010. Every center will be able to choose the T-Shirt color for their program. Each center will receive 2 coaches' T-Shirts. Additional coaches shirts may be purchased for \$5. Shirts will be ordered as soon as the center roster form and monies are received. Member centers may deduct their \$100 deposit from their total money due. Non-member centers will pay the \$100 to participate in the program. Any late registration (after the initial order) will cost \$35. Total monies are due March 20, 2010. Bowlers cannot be added after this date.

Centers may schedule no more than 1 school practice per week. Centers may schedule up to 10 meets (May have more than 1 per week to accommodate spring break, etc.). Competition will typically be scheduled after school. Some weekend competition might be necessary, based on lane availability and weather conditions (Competition will be allowed on Sunday after 1pm.). We will allow centers to determine practice time and meet schedule within the allotted calendar time. (One option would be to schedule the practice prior to the meet so transportation is needed just once per week.) **Competition may start the first week in March (March 1, 2010).**

Local fundraisers may supplement program needs.