

DIII Independents' Women's Volleyball Championship Information

(Updated: 10/27/04)

Host Russell Sage College, Troy, NY

Dates Friday, November 5th & Saturday November 6th, 2004

Tournament Participants and Seeding

1. New Jersey City University (23-5)
2. Russell Sage College (20-10)
3. Newbury College (14-13)
4. St. Joseph's College – ME (5-16)

PROPOSED Tournament Format

Friday November 5, 2004

Russell Sage College

1:00 pm	Seed 1 vs.	Seed 3
3:00 pm	Seed 2 vs.	Seed 4
5:00 pm	Seed 1 vs.	Seed 4
7:00 pm	Seed 2 vs.	Seed 3

Saturday November 6, 2004

Court B

Russell Sage College

All teams will be re-seeded after pool play on Friday

Semi-Finals

10:00 am	Seed 1 vs.	Seed 4
12:00 pm	Seed 2 vs.	Seed 3

2:00 pm	Consolation Game	
4:00 pm	Championship Game	

General Information on PROPOSED Format

Attached below is the proposed format! Each team will receive 30 minutes of warm-up time including the official 4,4,5,5.

Practice Court

A practice court is available in Meyer Gymnasium located in the Robison Athletic Center on the Troy Campus. It is a small, non-regulation size court, but certainly could provide extra space for warm-ups.

Practice Balls

There will be a limited amount of balls available at each location, therefore, if you are able to supply additional balls, please provide your own balls.

Game Balls

The tournament game balls will be the NCAA recommended Spaulding TF4000.

Athletic Training Coverage and Needs

There will be an Athletic Trainer available at both locations. Please note, there is NO training room at the Sage College of Albany Gymnasium. Therefore, all treatments (heat or otherwise) must be done at Russell Sage College on the Troy Campus. The Athletic Training staff will be able to tape and stretch athletes, and provide ice after competitions at the Albany Campus. The training room at Russell Sage College will be open two hours prior to the start of competition on each day.

Please supply your own athletic training supplies (tape, pre-wrap, etc..)

For any special needs or for questions, please contact Head Athletic Trainer Marci Murphy at 518-244-2420 in advance.

Travel

Each participating institution is responsible for their transportation needs. Parking of buses on campus will be in the bus loading zone located on First Street on the Troy Campus and in the Campus Center Gymnasium parking lot on the Albany Campus. Please see the attached travel guide for a complete set of directions, restaurants, hotels, etc...

Lodging

The Best Western Rensselaer Inn located in Troy, NY is the preferred hotel for Russell Sage College's Visiting Athletic Teams. There are currently 30 rooms (6 per visiting institution) on a block hold until 10/28/04. It is on a first come first serve hold. Please identify your institution as participating in the Independent Volleyball Championship at Russell Sage College. You may reserve as many rooms as your team needs. Rooms are not guaranteed and the expense is the responsibility of each visiting institution. The contact name for all reservations is: Barbara Crafton at 518-274-3210. The rates are as follows: \$60 single, \$70 double, \$75 triple, \$80 quad. With this room rate, you may also eat at their breakfast buffet for \$1 per person. They have a hot/cold buffet breakfast right on premises. Please plan to provide a room list in advance with approximate arrival times. On site catering is also available if you have other meal needs but please make necessary arrangements in advance. The same rates are available to family and friends of all players but additional rooms have not been reserved on the block reservation.

Officials

Officials will be secured by the host institution, Russell Sage College.

Awards

First and second place team awards will be offered.

Certificates will be presented for all-tournament team, tournament MVP, and for first and second place teams.

Competitors' Dinner

A dinner for all competitors will be offered on Friday, November 5th at two different time depending on when you are competing. The first will be at 5:00 PM for team's seeded #2 and #3 and 7:00 PM for teams seeded #1 and #4. The dinner will be held in the Multipurpose Room (directly beneath the gymnasium) of the Robison Athletic Center on the Troy Campus. Please **RSVP to Rosaire Murphy at (518) 244-2283 by November 3rd** to let us know that your team plans to participate and the number of players, managers, and coaches that will be eating so that we can prepare the appropriate amount of food.

Admission

Admission for the event is \$2 per person. Athletes, team managers, and coaches are free. Russell Sage Students are free with a student ID.

Uniforms

Teams should bring both home and away uniforms. The higher seed will wear white unless other arrangements are made with both head coaches in agreement. The Best Western Rensselaer Inn does have a laundry room with one coin-operated washer and dryer. If there are additional needs, please contact the Tournament Director.

National Anthem

The national anthem will be performed at the start of competition on both days by Russell Sage College Volleyball Players (on the Troy Campus) and professional CD (on the Albany Campus).

PROPOSED All-Tournament Team Selection

We propose an 8 person All-Tournament team be selected. For each match played, each head coach will select two players from the winning team and one player from the losing team. Player #1 from the winning team will receive 3 points, player #2 from the winning team will receive 2 points and the third player selected from the losing team would receive 1 point. Each team will have one player represented from their team (the player on their team with the highest points). The first and second place teams will have two players selected to the all-tournament team (the two players with the highest points). The highest vote getter from the 1st place team will receive tournament MVP.

Game Personnel

For each match played, Russell Sage will provide two line judges and two game personnel (one score keeper and a libero tracker). Each institution should plan on tracking their own team's statistics.

Event Program, Score Reporting & Press Releases

Please send team roster with coaches, team mascot, team logo, team photo, current record, and media fax list for your institution to Russell Sage Sports Information Director, Kelly Thompson, by **Monday, November 1, 2004**. Sports Information Director will provide a press release upon completion of play on each day. As the tournament progresses, please provide SID with statistical information about your team's results. Russell Sage does not have StatCrew software (my error).

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