Good morning! Hopefully you have not had a game postponed this week, but I won't hold my breath on that.....been a rough start to 2022. Hopefully we get through tonight and tomorrow unscathed.

Two-person games......these are a MAJORITY of the games worked in the PIAA. New York uses mostly two-person for the regular season then goes to three-person in the playoffs. We are VERY lucky in the PIAA to have primarily three-person games standard at the varsity level. Here is a two-person clip with a loose ball where the old L/new T does a great job 'moving to improve' his look at the play and seeing what happens.

When the rebound is loose near the free throw line, the old L/new T moves with a sense of urgency to get a good look at what is happening with the loose ball. This is a great practice regardless of a two-person or three-person game. When the ball gets deflected, the T again moves with a sense of urgency to see the play and never takes his eyes off the action. Even though he almost ends up too close the play, he correctly rules a foul by white. If we try to envision the play that is horizontal with the players on the floor rotated vertically, think about what that contact would look like. Would a foul be called if they were upright? If so, then we have a foul with them on the floor also.

Loose ball plays used to sometimes get extremely physical and as officials we let it happen, but we have become much better at officiating these types of plays. It never hurts to see clips and get reminders about advantage/disadvantage on loose ball plays. The T in the clip did a great job this entire sequence.

Friday Extra: Stay well and enjoy each game, not matter the level, the teams or your partners. Try not to take any game for granted, we are fortunate to be playing and officiating games!

Have a great game tonight and enjoy the weekend!

Tim